

# Obituary of Mr. John Goodwin, Jr.

Mr. John Goodwin, Jr. affectionately known as “Bag,” was born on March 7, 1966, in Gadsden, South Carolina. Born the fifth of six children to the late John and Rose Mae Goodwin, he was a happy, chirping baby boy. “Bag” was called home to be with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Sunday evening (St. Patrick’s Day), March 17, 2024.

He enjoyed a full life of laughter and fun. With that, he was able to touch many in the workplace as well as the Lower Richland area in his home community of Gadsden and Hopkins, South Carolina.

John was currently employed with Owen Steel Company, Inc of Columbia, South Carolina, where he was employed for 12 years.

Mr. John Goodwin, Jr. is survived by: his one and only beautiful daughter, Kayla Goodwin and her mother, Karen Jones; his precious grandson, Keshawn Campbell, whom he treasured, appreciated, and loved from the very bottom of his heart; two sisters (who were always there for him) and one brother, Mary Shiver (Jack his favorite brother-in-law), of Gadsden, South Carolina, Mary Francis Goodwin, of Lexington, South Carolina, and Willie James Goodwin, of Atlanta, Georgia; a mentor and friend, Josh DuBose; three nephews, Akeem, Kareem, and Eric; a host of other loving relatives, and caring friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

**Go Steelers!!!**

## Memories



## Order of Service

- Prelude
- Processional
- Opening Hymn.....Mr. Lonnie Clark
- Old Testament.....Reverend Dr. Secaida Howell
- New Testament.....Reverend Dr. Secaida Howell
- Prayer.....Deacon Fred Watson
- Selection.....Mr. Lonnie Clark
- Remarks.....Mr. Greg Adams  
Mr. Joe Louis Sumter  
Ms. Paulette Goodwin
- Selection.....Mr. Barry Wilson
- Words of Comfort.....Reverend Dr. Secaida Howell
- Recessional
- Postlude



## Committal, Benediction and Interment

St. Mark Baptist Church  
1456 St. Marks Road  
Gadsden, South Carolina

## *I'm Free*

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free  
I'm following the path God has laid you see.

I took His hand when I heard His call

I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day

To laugh, to love, to work, or play.

Tasks left undone must stay that way

I found the peace at the close of the day.

If my parting has left a void

Then fill it with remembered joys

A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss

Oh yes, these things I too will miss.

Be not burdened with times of sorrow,

I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.

My life's been full, I savored much,

Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,

Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.

Lift up your heart, and peace to thee-

God wanted me now; He has set me free.

## Pallbearers and Floral Bearers

Classmates

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Family and Friends



## Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mr. John Goodwin, Jr., would like to thank each of you for your love and support during the passing of our loved one. It is our prayer that the Lord blesses each of you in a very special way.

## Services Entrusted To:

Taylor Street Chapel

1831 Taylor Street  
Columbia, SC 29201  
(803)771-7799

E.S. Leevy Johnson  
-Owner & Director-

**Leevy's**

FUNERAL HOME

Chris Leevy Johnson  
-President & Managing Director-

Lower Richland Chapel

9120 Garners Ferry Road  
Hopkins, SC 29061  
(803) 776-6922

Leverette A. Williams, II  
-General Manager-

# Celebration of Life

*Mr. John L. Goodwin, Jr.*



*Friday, March 22, 2024*

*1:00 p.m.*

*Leevy's Funeral Home Chapel*

*1831 Taylor Street  
Columbia, South Carolina*

*Reverend Dr. Secaida Howell*

*-Officiating-*