

Pallbearers and Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

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.

Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mr. James Franklin Sumter, Jr. would like to thank each of you for your prayers and support during the passing of our loved one. We pray God blesses each of you in a very special way.

*Homegoing Service
In Loving Memory*

of

MR. JAMES FRANKLIN SUMTER, JR.



**SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024
11:00 A.M.**

**ZION PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH
1609 ZION AVENUE
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**REVEREND WILLIE DAVIS
-PASTOR-**

Taylor Street Chapel
1831 Taylor Street
Columbia, SC 29201
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Obituary

Mr. James Franklin "Jimmie" Sumter Jr, 57, a devoted husband, father, brother and friend departed this life on Friday, April 19, 2024 at his home in Lexington, South Carolina. Born June 9, 1966 in Columbia, South Carolina. He was the son of the late Evelyn (Coleman) Sumter and James Franklin Sumter, Sr.

James received his education at Rosewood Elementary School and Olympia Middle School, both in Columbia SC and graduated from Andrew Jackson High School, Queens NY. Upon his completion of high school, he Joined the US Army, serving from 1985 to 1989.

After his tour of service ended with the military, his first employment was with the Columbia Housing Authority as a Painter. He later became a truck driver with various companies in and out of state. Thereafter, he became disabled and retired in 2004.

James met Sebrana Scriven at a young age. They married on August 6, 2010.

James loved music. He played the guitar and drums. He played for a few churches as a substitute.

James was baptized as Zion pilgrim Baptist Church, where he was a member until his passing.

In addition to his mother, James was preceded in death by his paternal and maternal grandparents, Ethel and Richard Sumter and Eugenia and Ernest Coleman; and a sister, Tasha Gilmore.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his loving wife, Sebrina Sumter; children, Carlos Goodwin, Natia Sumter, James Sumter III, Tevon Scriven, Christon Scriven, and Dequan Golden; grandchildren, Ahmylia Robinson and Tevon Scriven, Jr.; bonded granddaughter, Lailah Mingo; brothers, Robert (Jeanette) Williams, Anthony Sumter, Michael (Jalessa) Brown, Franklin Sumter, Brandon Sumter; bonded children, Nadirah Highsmith, Sincere Goodwin, and Kamille Goodwin; aunts, Joyce Williams, Hattie Mea Brown, Carolyn Epps, and Cathy Sumter; uncles, Marvin Coleman and Noah Sumter; a host of other loving relatives and caring friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional

Viewing.....Funeral Directors

Opening Hymn.....“Oh, How I Love Jesus”

Old Testament.....Reverend Flavian Coleman
Psalm 23:1-6

New Testament.....Reverend Dr. James Coleman
John 14:1-6

Prayer.....Reverend Dr. James Coleman

SoloMs. Rose Marie Moore

RemarksMs. Shelia Singleton
Mr. Terry Govan
Mr. James Sumter III

Poem.....Ms. Sandra Boone

Solo.....Ms. Rose Marie Moore

Words of Comfort.....Reverend Willie Davis

Recessional.....“Lord Do It For Me”
Recording by: Zacardi Cortez

Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

11:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 7, 2024
Fort Jackson National Cemetery
4170 Percival Road
Columbia, South Carolina