

Honorary Pallbearers

Zeta Zeta Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

Pallbearers

Alfanzia Fordom Cornelius Sanders Ervin Jenkins
Ryan Garrick Roderic Garrick Carl Solomon II

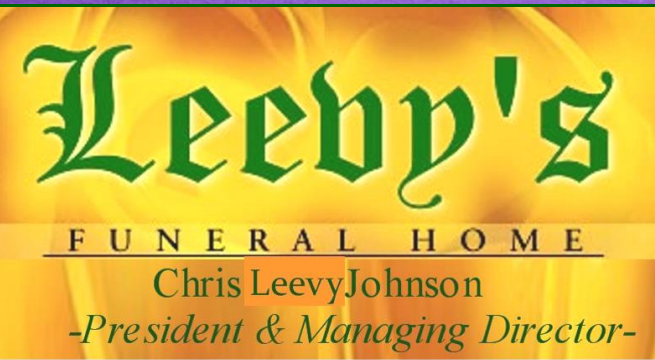
Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

Acknowledgement

We, the family of the late Benton Alonzo Solomon, would like to express our gratitude for all the kindness and sympathy you have shown us during this difficult time in our lives. Your phone calls, visits, flowers, thoughts and prayers have greatly strengthened us during our time of bereavement. It's clear that if love could have kept him alive, he would still be here. It is our prayer that Benton's spirit, memories and God's peace will remain with you always. May God continue to bless each of you.

Services Entrusted To:

<p>Taylor Street Chapel 1831 Taylor Street Columbia, SC 29201 (803)771-7799 I. S. Leevy Johnson -Owner & Director-</p>	 <p>Leevy's FUNERAL HOME Chris Leevy Johnson -President & Managing Director-</p>	<p>Lower Richland Chapel 9120 Garners Ferry Road Hopkins, SC 29061 (803) 776-6922 Leverette A. Williams, II -General Manager-</p>
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*A Celebration of Life
In Loving Memory
of*

MR. BENTON ALONZO SOLOMON



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2024
11:00 A.M.**

**GRACE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
5010 MONTICELLO ROAD
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**REVEREND DR. AARON R. E. BISHOP
-PASTOR-**

Reflections of the Life Of Mr. Benton Alonzo Solomon

On September 13, 2024, God called Benton A. Solomon to his heavenly home where he transitioned from his earthly vessel to his new incorruptible body and from labor to reward.

Benton, affectionately known as “Benny” and “Cool Papa” to his grand babies was born February 9, 1955 to James L. Solomon, Jr. and Helen K. Solomon in Sumter, South Carolina. As the eldest of four siblings, he set a strong example early on. Benton's leadership skills were evident from a young age; he served as Student Body President at Sumter High School, graduating with the Class of 1973. His commitment to education continued as Benton furthered his education at the University of South Carolina in Columbia and became a proud member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Incorporated, Zeta Zeta Chapter in the spring of 1974.

Benton married the love of his life, Bernice Solomon. They recently celebrated 30 years of marital bliss. He worked as a District Finance Manager for General Motors, retiring in 2018. He left a lasting impression on his colleagues and everyone he came in contact with. During his free time, he loved to fish, golf and watch his favorite football team, the Dallas Cowboys.

Benton faithfully served Kingdom Seekers, a prayer group that he founded in 2002, praying twice a day and leading Bible Study every Wednesday evening. His favorite scripture was Matthew 6:33: “But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.” The love for his family was great and his prayers always included his children and his children’s children.

Benton was preceded in death by his son, Jonathon Solomon; sister, Cynthia S. Garrick; and brother, Vincent “Tony” Solomon.

Benton leaves to cherish his memory: his loving and devoted wife, Bernice Solomon; daughter, Kamiel Solomon; his parents, James L. Solomon, Jr. and Helen K. Solomon; bonus children, Tonya (Chris) Smith and Brian Elmore; grandchildren, Tre Harris, Miah Solomon, Aliyah Solomon, Brayla Moses, Janai Lugo, Briana Elmore, Isaiah Chapman, Jailyn Lugo, Julianna Lugo, Christina Martin, Katie Flanagan, Christian Smith Jr, Dante Smith, and Marcus Smith; great-grandchildren, Kennedy and Clover Washington; brothers, James Leon (Sandra) Solomon and Carl L. (Takisha) Solomon; aunts, Jacquelin Jackson and Eloise Solomon; sister-in-law, Josephine (Willie) Mack; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends who will miss him dearly.

GONE, BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

Don't think of him as gone away
His journey's just begun
Life holds so many facets
This earth is only one.

Just think of him as resting
From the sorrows and the tears
In a place of warmth and comfort
Where there are no days and years.

Think how he must be wishing
That we could know today
How nothing but our sadness
Can really pass away.

And think of him as living
In the hearts of those he touched
For nothing loved is ever lost
And he was loved so much.

Memories



Order of Service

- Prelude
- Processional
- Viewing.....Funeral Directors
- Opening Hymn.....“Amazing Grace”
- Old Testament.....Psalm 73:24-26
- New Testament.....John 14:1-3
- Prayer of Comfort.....Reverend Dr. Jamey O. Graham, Sr.
- Musical Selection.....“Never Would Have Made It”
- Remarks.....Mr. John Carter, Prayer Group Member
Mr. Maurice Sanders, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.
Ms. Kamiel Solomon, Daughter
- Solo.....“Precious Lord”
- Words of Comfort.....Reverend Dr. Aaron R.E. Bishop
- Recessional
- Postlude



Committal, Benediction, and Interment
 Woodlawn Cemetery
 10216 Farrow Road
 Blythewood, South Carolina

Memories

