

## When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

*When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not here to see,  
If the sun should rise and find your eyes, filled with tears for me.*

*I wish so much you wouldn't cry the way you did today,  
while thinking of the many things we didn't get to say.*

*I know how much you love me, as much as I love you,  
and each time you think of me, I know you'll miss me too.*

*When tomorrow starts without me, please try to understand  
That an angel came and called my name and took me by the hand*

*The angel said my place was ready in heaven far above  
And that I'd have to leave behind all those I dearly love.*

*But when I walked through Heaven's gate, I felt so much at home  
When God looked down and smiled at me from His great golden throne.*

*He said, "This is eternity and all I've promised you."  
Today my life on earth is past, but here it starts anew*

*I promise no tomorrow but today will always last  
And since each day's the same day, there's no longing for the past.*

*So when tomorrow starts without me, don't think we're far apart,  
For every time, you think of me, I'm right there in your heart.*

## Pallbearers

Samuel Wages, Jr.  
Shannon Hollis

Brandon Brown  
Damien White  
Bryant Hartfield

Troy Davis  
Reggie Brown

## Floral Bearers

Travesia Pough

Joan Hooks  
Verda Mae Roberts

Renae Hollis

## Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mr. Samuel Wages, Sr., would like to thank each of you for the many expressions of love and sympathy shown to us during the passing of our loved one. It is our prayer that the Lord blesses each of you in a very special way.

# Home Going Services In Loving Memory of Mr. Samuel Wages, Sr.



Wednesday, October 30, 2024  
12:00 Noon

Ridgewood Missionary Baptist  
Church

5326 Ridgeway Street  
Columbia, South Carolina

Reverend Darrius Graves  
-Pastor-


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# Obituary of Mr. Samuel Wages, Sr.

Mr. Samuel Wages, Sr. was born on February 24, 1947, in Columbia, SC. He was the oldest child of the late Wesley Wages and Kathleen Bethel. He departed this life on Wednesday, October 23, 2024.

Mr. Wages was educated in the public schools of Richland County, South Carolina. Although his highest education was eighth grade, Sammy was very articulate and filled with wisdom. He worked for the City of Columbia for 36 years, retiring after many dedicated years, only to continue putting his hand to the plow any way he could.

He was known through Ridgewood as “Skin,” and provided a household nickname by his daughter, Dornice as “Chef,” rightfully so. “Chef” cared for many, taking care of family members, neighbors, and friends whenever he could. Often providing a place a to stay, a meal, and transportation.

Mr. Wages enjoyed golfing and carpentry. Often the life the party, he would sing and dance to James Brown. On Sunday mornings, he enjoyed reading the newspaper and drinking coffee before starting on his adventure of the day. There was never a dull moment.

In addition to his parents, Samuel was preceded in death by his nephew, Ronald Cutner, Sr.

Mr. Samuel Wages, Sr. leaves his legacy with his wife, Rosa Hollis Wages; a daughter, Dornice Wages; a son, Samuel (Deanna) Wages, Jr.; two grandsons, Brandon Brown and Kaden Green; a granddaughter, Kade’sha Wages; a great-granddaughter, Braylei Brown; sisters, Martha Ann Nesbee, Katherine Cutner, Bernice Holmes; in-laws, Charles, James, Katherine, Vivian; many other loving nieces, nephews, and other relatives as well as caring friends, all of Columbia, South Carolina.

## Memories



## A Service of Remembrance

- Musical Prelude.....R.M.B.C Praise Team
- Processional
- Opening Selection.....R.M.B.C Praise Team
- Old Testament.....Romans 8:38-39....Reverend Vernon Davis,  
Brookland Baptist Church
- New Testament.....II Timothy 4:7-8.....Minister Damien White,  
Greenview First Baptist Church
- Prayer.....Reverend Samuel Wages, Jr.
- Musical Selection.....Ms. Lashawn Goode
- Reflections.....Mr. Johnny Bethal  
Mr. Howard Trapp  
Reverend Samuel Wages, Jr.  
Ms. Kade’sha Wages
- Musical Selection .....“I Shall Wear A Crown”  
Recording by: Bruce Parham
- Words of Comfort.....Reverend Darius Graves
- Musical Selection.....Mrs. Renae Hollis
- Recessional
- Postlude



## Committal, Benediction and Interment

Lincoln Cemetery  
4900 Farrow Road  
Columbia, South Carolina