


# Memories



*I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not only to me, but unto all them also that love his appearing. II Timothy 4:7-8*

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# Homegoing Services In Loving Memory of Mr. John Victor Furgess, Sr.



**Saturday, January 25, 2025  
 11:00 a.m.**

**Leevy's Funeral Home Chapel  
 1831 Taylor Street  
 Columbia, South Carolina**

**Reverend Rosalyn Grant Coleman,  
 Presiding Elder Columbia District  
 -Officiating-**

# Obituary

Mr. John Victor Furgess, Sr. was born in Columbia, South Carolina on April 15, 1942. He was the fifteenth child of Mr. Curtis and Mrs. Josephine Neal Furgess. John had nine sisters and five brothers. He attended Waverly and Carver Elementary School and was a proud graduate of C.A. Johnson.

John's family lived in the Waverly Community near the Allen University Campus. He and his best friend Billy Shaw spent many of their early days aggravating the college kids on campus. Both John and Billy earned their college degrees from Allen University: John in Business Administration and Billy in Art Education. They both gained life-long friends and mentors at Allen.

John was a retired Postmaster from the United States Postal Service. Throughout his years, John maintained a close relationship with Allen University. He was recognized by Allen University's president, Dr. Ernest McNealey, with the title, **Allen University Alumni Ambassador**.

John was quite active in his community and worked diligently with his community's successful efforts to get a public library in Edgewood. He also worked diligently to improve Columbia's public transportation by serving as Chair and Vice Chair of the COMET Board of Advisors. John always supported his beloved Allen University, and helped raise funds during his community's annual Easter Brunch.

Mr. John Victor Furgess, Sr. is survived by his wife, Alexzena Irving Furgess; son, John Furgess, Jr.; daughter, Kimberlee Chanelle Furgess; daughter-in-law, Tracie Smith Furgess; granddaughters, Garland, Jon Victoria, and Laquianda; grandson, David Smith; two sisters, Hattie Furgess Outlaw and Norma Furgess Myers; a host of other loving relatives, and friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

# Order of Service

The Musical Prelude.....Mr. Rameem Scott  
The Processional.....Clergy and Family  
The Greeting.....Ms. Jon Victoria Furgess, Granddaughter  
The Solo.....Mrs. Barbara Jean Outlaw Bynes, Niece  
The Scripture Readings.....Mrs. Anita Cooper Adams  
    Old Testament – Psalm 46  
    New Testament – Hebrew 12:1-3  
The Prayer of Comfort.....Reverend Wanda Furgess Blanding, Niece  
A Tribute to My Friend.....Mr. Billy Shaw  
    Friend Since Third Grade  
A Special Tribute.....Nieces and Nephews  
The Ministry of Music.....Mr. Rameem Scott  
The Eulogy.....Reverend Rosalyn Grant Coleman  
The Committal  
The Benediction  
The Recessional  
The Postlude



## Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mr. John Victor Furgess, Sr., would like to thank each of you for your prayers and support 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.