

# Obituary of

## Mr. Kemmeth Valentino Stephens

Mr. Kemmeth Valentino Stephens was born in Columbia, South Carolina on December 15, 1960, to the late Jessie F. Stephens and Laura B. Stephens. He entered eternal rest on Saturday, June 7, 2025.

Kemmeth was educated in the public schools of Richland County, South Carolina, and graduated from W.J. Keenan High School, in 1979. He was also a graduate of Midlands Technical College with a degree in Computer Technology. He served as a proud member of the US Navy from 1979 to 1983. Throughout his career he mastered several occupations, most recently he was owner and operator of his own trucking company.

Kemmeth was a devoted son, father, uncle, and brother, who loved deeply and gave generously of himself to others, personally and professionally.

He leaves to mourn his passing: two sons, Ishmaal Stephens and Hector Sanchez both of Columbia, SC; mother, Laura B. Stephens of Columbia, SC; brother, Steve Stephens of Columbia, SC; five grandchildren, a host of special nieces, nephews, cousins, and loving friends, all whom will miss him dearly. To God be the glory for a life well lived.

# Memories



# Order of Service

- Prelude
- Processional
- Viewing.....Funeral Directors
- Opening Hymn
- Old Testament.....Psalm 23
- New Testament.....John 14:1-6
- Prayer.....Minister
- Remarks.....A Family Member
- Musical Selection
- Words of Comfort.....Pastor Perry Williams, Sr.
- Recessional
- Postlude



## Committal, Benediction and Interment

2:00 p.m.  
Fort Jackson Nation Cemetery  
4170 Percival Road  
Columbia, South Carolina

## 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

Family and Friends

## Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

## Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mr. Kemmeth Valentino Stephens, 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.

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# In Honor of your Memory

Mr. Kemmeth Valentino Stephens



Wednesday, June 18, 2025  
12:00 Noon

Brookland Baptist Church Northeast  
1202 Summit Parkway  
Columbia, South Carolina

Reverend Chris Leevy Johnson  
-Pastor-