

Pallbearers and Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

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*

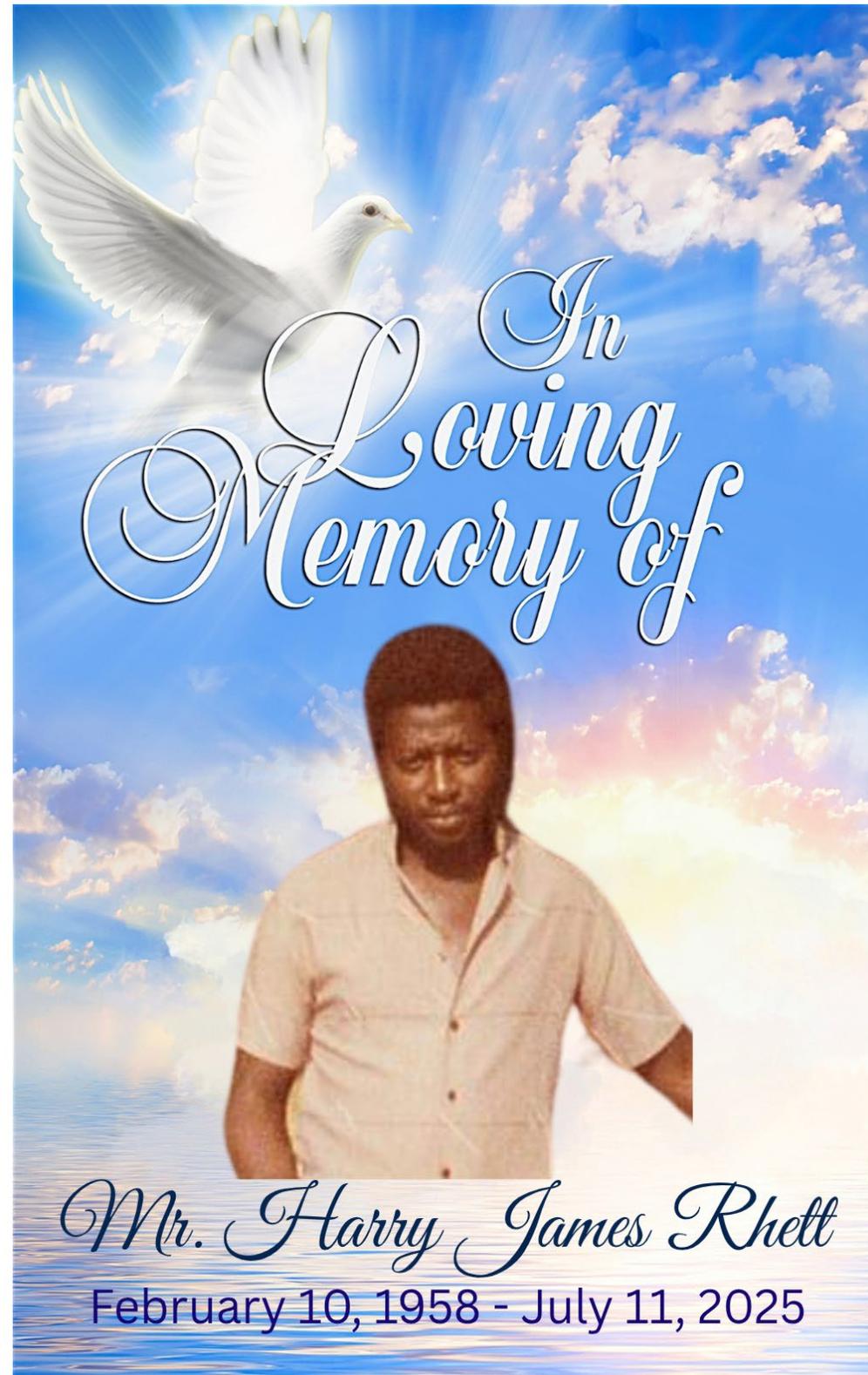
*The angel said my place was ready in heaven far above
And that I'd have to leave behind all those I dearly love.*

*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.*



Mr. Harry James Rhett

February 10, 1958 - July 11, 2025

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Obituary

Mr. Harry James Rhett, affectionately known as “Pook,” was born on February 10, 1958. He was the son of the late Eddie Rhett, Sr. and Rosa Lee Hasty Rhett. At the age of 67, Harry passed away peacefully in his sleep, surrounded by family on Friday, July 11, 2025.

Harry grew up in the Waverly Community of Columbia, where he attended the Richland County public schools. During his early years, he attended Bethlehem Baptist Church, Lyon Street. After moving to the Shandon Community, he attended New Shiloh Baptist Church.

“Pook” held jobs in several capacities, but his heart and compassion was always in landscaping. Early in life, he was employed at Pony Hill Nursery as a landscaper. As a landscaper at Pony Hill, he mastered the art of gardening. He was considered a master landscaper who had the “Midas Touch.” He spent many hours cultivating and growing plants, trees, vegetables, rose bushes, and/or any other items for his clients around the Shandon and Sherwood Forest Communities. “Pook” took pride in his work and always portrayed a professionally manicured finish, which made his clientele call upon him again and again. His clients knew his work firsthand and were always satisfied with the end results. “Pook” was a very lovable and kind person and was always willing to help where needed.

Harry loved growing things in partnership with God, family, friends, and plants. A favorite quote from Rudyard Kipling states: “Oh, Adam was a gardener, and God made him see that half a proper gardeners’ work is done upon his knees; so when your work is finished, you can wash your hands and pray for the glory of the Garden, that it may not pass away.”

In addition to his parents, Harry was preceded in death by a sister, Ruth Dean Rhett-Marshall and a brother, Samuel Lee Rhett.

Cherished memories include one brother, Eddie Thomas Rhett, Jr. of Columbia, South Carolina; sisters, Teola Rhett, of Columbia, South Carolina and Sarah Rhett-Outen, of Hopkins, South Carolina; He is also survived by three aunts, Joan Warfield, of New York, New York, Jacqueline Drakeford and Alethia Reid, both of Columbia, South Carolina; one special cousin, Jeannie Edwards, of Lexington, South Carolina; a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

Funeral Service
Friday, July 18, 2025 – 11:00 a.m.

Lincoln Cemetery
4900 Farrow Road
Columbia, South Carolina



Call to Worship

Hymn

Old and New Testaments.....Reverend Nicky Wilson

Prayer.....Reverend Nicky Wilson

Selection.....Mr. Javan Darby

Remarks.....Mr. Daniel Osborne

Selection.....Mr. Javan Darby

Words of ComfortReverend Nicky Wilson

Committal

Benediction



Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mr. Harry James Rhett, wish to thank each and every one of you for the amazing heartfelt condolences and support shown to us during this difficult time. We truly appreciate the many loving and wonderful acts of kindness and hospitality. May God continue to richly bless each of you with His grace and mercy.