

Obituary

Mr. Sim Heller, Jr., was born August 24, 1934, in Pomaria, South Carolina. He was the son of the late Sim Heller, Sr. and Eunice Livingston Heller. He departed this life on Wednesday, June 10, 2026, at Lexington Community Hospice House at the age of 91 years.

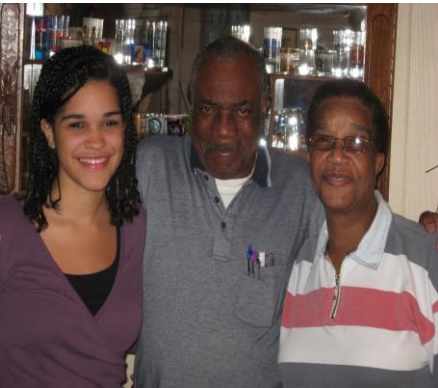
Sim was educated and graduated from the historical Hope School in Newberry County, South Carolina, and continued his education after he joined the United States Air Force in 1954. He married his late wife, Elease Hall Heller on November 1, 1958, and was a loving and dedicated husband for 59 years. They were able to travel and experience adventures together during his military service and after. Their union was blessed with three children, two grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. He retired from the Air Force after more than 20 years, attaining the rank of Technical Sergeant. His military training and expertise as a mainframe computer technician allowed him to continue utilizing those skills with Sperry Univac and later with Unisys Corporation as a Regional Computer Systems Manager.

He joined St. Mark AME Church in Pomaria, SC at an early age and remained a supportive member throughout his military service and during his retirement. He also enjoyed strolling through flea markets and thrift stores. He loved spending time with family, especially the annual cookout and the monthly lunch with his siblings. He loved attending baseball games and fishing.

In addition to his parents and his wife, Sim was preceded in death by his three sisters, Carrie Nell Heller, Bonita Heller Lee, and Margaret Heller Percell; one brother, Alfred Heller; sisters-in-law, Nellie Hall Flemon, Shirley Hall Price, and Bernice Hall; and brothers-in-law, Eddie B. Lee, Henry Hall, Bobby Coleman, Floyd Price, James Willie Bowers, and Prentis Percell.

TSgt. (Ret) Sim Heller, Jr. is survived by: two sons, Robert (Pam) Heller, of Irmo, SC, and Dr. Darryl Heller, of South Bend, IN; one daughter, Angela Heller, of Centreville, VA; one granddaughter, Dara Bayer, of Boston, MA; one grandson, Itxaso Sim Heller, of Chicago, IL; one great-granddaughter, Amari Barry, of Boston, MA.; three sisters, Vivian Virginia Mitchell and Laura Heller both of Columbia, SC; Deborah (Willie) Robinson, of Pomaria, SC; two brothers, Carroll (Boonchoo) Heller, of Viera, FL and James Kenneth Heller, Sr., of Prosperity, SC; three sisters-in-law, Doris Hall Bowers, of Chapin, SC, Jerlean Hall Coleman, of Newberry, SC and Hazel Hall, of Irmo, SC; one aunt, Doris Heller, of Columbia, SC; a faithful and loving nephew, Rayford Hall; a supportive and loving niece, Patricia Mitchell; a host of other nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews, and great-great nieces and nephews, as well as a host of loving relatives and caring friends all of whom will miss him dearly.

Memories



Order of Service

Tuesday, June 16, 2026

Leevy's Funeral Home Chapel

1831 Taylor Street, Columbia, South Carolina

Prelude

Processional

Viewing.....Funeral Directors

Opening Hymn.....Mr. El Murray Bookman

Prayer.....Reverend Dr. Cassius L. Barclay

Scripture Readings

Old Testament – Minister

New Testament – Minister

Reflections..... Mr. James Kenneth Heller, Brother
Dr. Darryl M. Heller, Son
Ms. Patricia Mitchell
Ms. Sonya Robinson, Niece

Solo.....Mr. El Murray Bookman

Words of Comfort.....Reverend Dr. Cassius L. Barclay

Recessional

Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

2:00 P.M. / Fort Jackson National Cemetery
4170 Percival Road
Columbia, South Carolina

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

² He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters.

³ He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

⁴ Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

⁵ Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

⁶ Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Floral Bearers

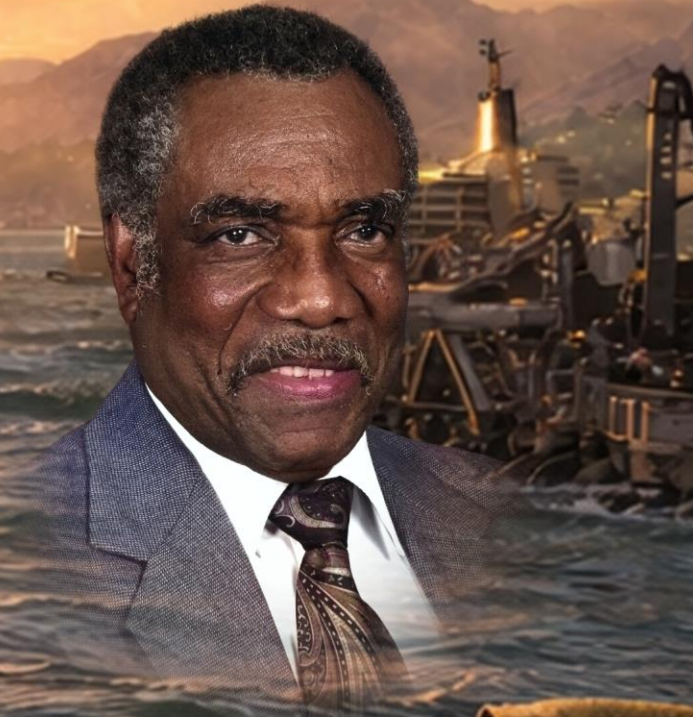
Family and Friends

Acknowledgement

We, the family of Mr. Sim Heller, Jr., express our thanks and appreciation to family and friends for the love, prayers, comforting words, and other acts of kindness that have been extended during this difficult time.

Homegoing Service In Loving Memory of

TSGT. SIM HELLER, JR.



**TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2026
12:00 NOON**

**LEEY'S FUNERAL HOME CHAPEL
1831 TAYLOR STREET
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA**

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-OFFICIATING-**

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