

I am Still Near

*Please don't remember only the day I had to leave,
Or let my final moment be the story that you grieve.*

*Remember all the laughter, the ordinary days,
The love we shared so freely, in quiet, simple ways.
I know your heart is aching, I know you miss me too,
But I am not as far away as it may seem to you.*

*I live within the memories that time can never take,
Within the love still left behind, in every heart I shaped.
So speak my name with gentleness, let stories bring a smile,
And when tears come, let them fall, then rest with them awhile.*

*Do not think you must be strong every single day,
Grief is just love reaching out when words get in the way.
And though my life on earth is done, my love has not gone too,
For every life I touched still hold a piece of what is true.
So carry me with tenderness, but let your heart live too,
For every step you take in love keeps part of me with you.*

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Homegoing Service In Loving Memory of

MR. STEVEN LEFTWICH



**SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 2026
11:00 A.M.**

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

**PASTOR DARRELL LEFTWICH
-OFFICIATING-**

Obituary

Mr. Steven Leftwich was born June 6, 1979, in Beckley, West Virginia to Willis Thompson and the late Etta Leftwich-Pharms. He entered eternal rest on Sunday, July 26, 2026.

Steve graduated from Woodrow Wilson High School, Class of 1997 and obtained an associate degree from WVU Tech, formerly Beckley College. Eventually, he found his passion for truck driving, a career he dedicated himself to for nearly 15 years. Most recently, he transported BWM parts with Penske.

On May 7, 2016, Steve married the love of his life, Nikkita, creating cherished memories for 10 years. Steve was known for his kind heart, genuine spirit, and unwavering love for family. He never hesitated to lend a helping hand and always made sure the people around him were taken care of. Steve left a lasting impression on everyone he met. And on game day, there was no question where his loyalty stood—his beloved Dallas Cowboys

Steve is survived by: his wife, Nikkita Leftwich; his daughter, Jordan Leftwich; his father, Willis B. Thompson (Deborah); siblings Kirstie Harris, Will Thompson (Victoria), Tenashia Pharmas-Wideman (Richard), Leron Burgess, Ronetta Pharmas; uncles, Leroy Leftwich, Darrell Leftwich (Kim), Robert Leftwich (Rita); aunt, Beverly Carter, and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, family and loving friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Leroy and Etta V. Leftwich, Willis and Mitty Thompson; mother, Etta B. Leftwich-Pharms; sister, Mechelle Pharmas; uncle, Lamont Leftwich; aunt, Charlene Leftwich; cousins, Cameron Leftwich, Coretta Leftwich; and niece, Erika Thompson.

Though his time with us was far too short, Steve's love, generosity, laughter, and unwavering devotion to his family will continue to live on in the hearts of all who were blessed to know him.

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional

Opening Hymn.....Mrs. Brianna Walker

Scripture Readings.....Mrs. Devonne Snead

Old Testament – Psalm 34:18

New Testament – Matthew 5:4

Prayer.....Deacon Leonard Chatman

Moments of Reflection.....Friends and Family

Selection.....Mrs. Cyreeta Crowell

Words of Comfort.....Pastor Darrell Leftwich

Committal

Benediction

Recessional

Postlude



Acknowledgement

In every message of comfort, in every expression of love, we felt the compassion and care of God's loving arms. So it is with great appreciation, we offer these thanks for your acts of kindness and the many prayers for strength during this time of bereavement. We wish to extend our deepest appreciation to the staff and management of Leevy's Funeral Home and everyone for their prayers, love, and support.

~The Family of Steven Leftwich