



July 7, 1922 - February 8, 2019

Flower Bearers
Nieces

Pallbearers
Nephews



Repast will be held at the Poplar Springs
Baptist Church in Simpsonville

Please be advised that the Greenville County Sheriff's Department and the City of Greenville Police Department no longer provide escort services for funeral processions. Therefore, all drivers should obey traffic signals. Persons who are not riding in the funeral home limousines should meet the family at the cemetery.

Services Entrusted to
Watkins, Garrett & Woods Mortuary, Inc.
1011 Augusta Street
Greenville, SC 29605
(864) 242-1144



Honoring the Life of Mr. John Alex Oliver, Jr.



Saturday, February 16, 2019 - 3:30pm
Watkins, Garrett & Woods Mortuary
1011 Augusta Street
Greenville, South Carolina 29605
~Eulogist~
Rev. Ronald D. Barton



Order of Service

Rev. Christopher Scott, Presiding

Flat Rock Baptist Church, Piedmont, South Carolina

Prelude

ProcessionalClergy, Family and Friends

SoloMr. Ryan Bolden

Scripture Readings:

Old TestamentRev. Janie Gist

St. Matthew United Methodist Church

New Testament....Rev. Bennie Campbell

Redemption

PrayerElder Mattie Lowden

Mountain View Baptist Church

RemarksMr. Percy Croft (Family Friend)

SoloMrs. Orrie Burdine

Eulogy Rev. Ronald D. Barton

Recessional

Interment

Resthaven Memorial Gardens

1655 Piedmont Highway

Piedmont, South Carolina 29673

Obituary

Mr. John Alex Oliver, Jr., affectionally known as “Bubba” or “Uncle Bubba”, was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend. To know him was to love him, and he had such a beautiful smile.

He was a World war II Veteran of the United States Navy and was proud to serve his country. He was educated in the Greenville County Schools and worked at Couch’s Market. He was one of many great chefs and cooks that the Oliver’s have known for his specialty, ham hocks and pinto beans.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John Alex Oliver, Sr. and Ethel Emma Oliver, a sister, Mary Elizabeth Oliver; four brothers, Jacob Oliver, Alfred Oliver, William B. Oliver, Bennie Oliver; a niece, Ethel Elizabeth Riley; and a nephew, James “Jimmy” Oliver, Jr.

Left three daughters, Johnnie Mae Gary of Mauldin, SC, Claudette (Robert) McKinney and Diane Oliver, both of Greenville, SC; two stepdaughters, Rev. Bennie M. Campbell of Mauldin, SC and Cathy Wright of Greenville, SC; five stepsons, James W. (Claudine) Gary of Simpsonville, SC, Anthony (Laura) Oliver of Ashville, NC, Ricky (Rosemary) Oliver of Easley, SC, Ronnie Oliver of Saudi Arabia, and Harry Oliver of Greenville, SC; one sister, Sarah R. Oliver of the home; one brother, Robert Eugene (Carol) Oliver of Greenville, SC; a special niece and caregiver, Jeanine

Riley of the home; a great-nephew, Allen Dotson of the home; a niece and nephews reared in the home, Patrice McMahan, Fredrick D. Oliver and Patrick Riley; two grandchildren; two great-grand-children; and a host of step-grandchildren, step-great-grand-children, nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

A Letter From Heaven

When tomorrow starts without me
and I’m not there to see
if the sun should rise
and find your eyes all 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 I love you and each time
that you think of me,
I know you’ll miss me too.
When tomorrow starts without me,
don’t think we’re far apart
for every time you think of me,
I’m right here in your heart.

by Alena Hakala Meadows