Floral Bearers

Latasha Herbert Natasha Alexander Antiba Count Donna Scott Shaquada Byrd Dianna Floyd

Yolanda S. Brockman

Casket Bearers

Bryant Scott Jerod Scott Kolo Byrd Ron Byrd Mike Byrd Antron Irby Brook Grant Rodney Grant

God Saw You Getting Tired

God saw you getting tired And a cure was not to be So he put His arms around you And whispered "Come to me."

With tearful eyes we watched you As you slowly slipped away And though we loved you dearly We couldn't make you stay.

Your golden heart stop beating Your tired hands put to rest God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes the best.

by Frances and Kathleen Coelho

With Gratitude

Our family is deeply appreciative and will forever be grateful for the wonderful outpouring of your love, support and all expressions of sympathy and acts of kindness extended to us. May God's goodness be with each of you.

~The Family~

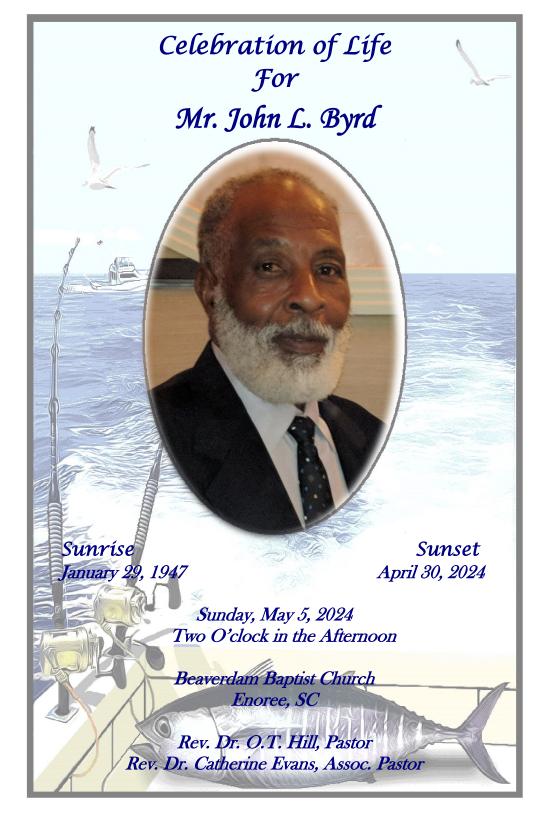
Arrangements Entrusted to:

The W. J. Gist Mortuary

519 Workman Avenue – Woodruff, South Carolina Telephone 864- 476-3411

Alexander, Casey & Gist Funeral Service

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Life Profile

John L. Byrd, 77, a dedicated husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend, entered eternal rest on Tuesday, April 30, 2024, at Upstate Community Hospice House-Agape Care.

John L. spent most of his career working as a carpenter with Parsons Builders. He had a love for outdoors that included hunting, fishing, working on cars, cruising and hanging with family and friends on "the line" where he was known as Breeder or Big John.

John L. was born on January 29, 1947, to the late RD Sr. and Sarah Parks Byrd.

Mr. Byrd was preceded in death by four sisters, Margaret Floyd, Barbara Byrd, Jacqueline Byrd and Hattie Mae Hunter; and two brothers, James Robert Byrd and Ricky Byrd.

Left to cherish fond and loving memories are; his loving and devoted wife, Gardenia, of the home; daughters, Yulonda (Eric) Elmore of the home, and Bregina (Johnny) Sexton of Enoree, SC; grandchildren, Dr. Shaquana (Braylin) Bloise, Andrekious West, Jonathan Sexton, Damarian Elmore, Quenisha Franks; bonus grandchildren, Lilly Duncan, Bridget Culbertson and Madi Montjoy; great grandson, Kashton West, also known as "Hambone."; six sisters, Geraldine Scott, and Madonna Byrd, both of Woodruff, SC, Loretta (David) Kesler of Laurens, SC, Sarah K. Byrd of Washington D.C., Mary Simpson of St. Louis, MO, and Dorothy (George) Turner of Clinton, SC; two brothers, RD (Debra) Byrd Jr. of Woodruff, SC, and Melvin (Tammy) Byrd of Spartanburg, SC; brothers and sisters-in-law, Suzzette (Gerald) Styles, Archie (Mary) Gray Jr, Aurelia (Daryl) Brown, Stephen (Annette) Cannon, Cassandra (Marlo) Gilliam, Melissa Evans, Marion Cannon, Bennie J. Hunter Sr; and a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.





Order of Service

Rev. Dr. Catherine Evans, Presiding

Prelude
ProcessionalThe Family
SelectionBeaverdam Baptist Church Choir
Scripture:
Old TestamentRev. Dr. Catherine Evans
New TestamentRev. Derrick Scurry
PrayerRev. Henry Kerns
Selection-'Alright'CGB Ensemble
AcknowledgementsMrs. Aurelia C. Brown
RemarksMrs. Kristen Floyd- Calwile
Solo- 'Welcome'Mr. Ronald Browning
Words of ComfortRev. Dr. O.T. Hill
Closing PrayerRev. Dr. O.T. Hill
RecessionalThe Family
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Committal, Benediction and Interment Beaverdam Baptist Church Cemetery Enoree, SC



