

## Footprints in the Sand

One night I dreamed a dream.  
As I was walking along the beach with my Lord.  
Across the dark sky flashed scenes from my life.  
For each scene, I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand,  
One belonging to me and one to my Lord.

After the last scene of my life flashed before me,  
I looked back at the footprints in the sand.  
I noticed that at many times along the path of my life,  
especially at the very lowest and saddest times,  
there was only one set of footprints.

This really troubled me, so I asked the Lord about it.  
"Lord, you said once I decided to follow you,  
You'd walk with me all the way.  
But I noticed that during the saddest  
and most troublesome times of my life,  
there was only one set of footprints.  
I don't understand why, when I needed You the most,  
You would leave me."

He whispered, "My precious child,  
I love you and will never leave you  
Never, ever, during your trials and testings.  
When you saw only one set of footprints,  
It was then that I carried you."



Flower Attendants  
First Cousins

Pall Bearers  
First Cousins

Interment  
Committal/Prayer/Benediction  
Greenville Memorial Gardens  
7784 Augusta Road  
Piedmont, South Carolina 29673

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Celebrating the Life  
of  
Deacon Robert James Pepper, Jr.



# COWBOYS

Friday, November 15, 2019 - 1:00pm  
St. Matthew Missionary Baptist Church  
860 Old Pelzer Road  
Piedmont, South Carolina 29673  
Rev. Zachary Brewster, Pastor

**Order of Service**

**Memories**

**Obituary**

**Pastor Zachary Brewster, Presiding**

**Prelude**

**Processional**.....Clergy, Family and Friends

**Solo**.....Mrs. Jackie Burton

**Scripture Readings:**

New Testament.....Pastor Michael Thurmond

Old Testament.....Minster Barbara Lester

**Prayer**..... .Bishop. Eric Hyler  
The Living Word Divine Deliverance Ministry

**Solo**.....Mr. Philmore Payton

**Remarks:**

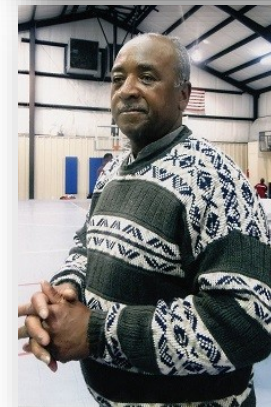
St. Matthew Baptist Church  
Leroy Bush (Friend/Co-worker)  
Bishop Grover Pepper (Brother)  
Redeemed New Birth Baptist Church  
Prophetess Frinnie Hyler (Niece)

**Selection**.....Flemming Twins

**Tribute**..... Ms. Robin Smith

**Eulogy**.....Pastor Reginald Dawkins  
Triumph Christian Center, Newport News Virginia

**Recessional**



**Deacon Robert James “Pep” Pepper**, 72, of Greenville , South Carolina, departed this life on Monday, November 11, 2019, at the Open Arms Hospice House. He was a son of the late R.J. and Missoura Bowling Pepper.

He was a 1965 graduate of Sterling High School and for forty-two years, he was the owner/operator of Pepper Masonry.

At an early age, he joined the St. Matthew Baptist Church in Piedmont, South Carolina, where he served as a member of the Young Adult Choir, the Usher Board, a Trustee, a Sunday School Teacher, a Sunday School Superintendent and Prison Ministry. In 2017, he joined Redeemed New Birth Baptist Church under the leadership of Bishop Grover Pepper where he served faithfully as a Deacon.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Precious Marie Pepper-Childs; and his godson, Bernard Moore.

Left to cherish fond memories are his wife of 51 years, Mrs. Earnestine M. Pepper of the home; daughters, Linda Brown and Lathonda Clinkscales, both of Piedmont, SC, and Robin Smith of Greenville, SC; one son, Robert J. Moore Pepper, Jr., of Greenville, SC, twelve grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; a goddaughter, Octavia Pepper of Mauldin, SC; a godson, Leron Moore of Greenville, SC; sisters, Louise Wilson of St. Louis, MO, Julia Davis of Ridge Springs, SC, and Brenda Dowdy of Piedmont, SC; a brother, Bishop Grover (Margaret) Pepper of Mauldin, SC; aunts, Iola Scott and Lavinia Pepper both of Greenville, SC; and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends.