

A Celebration of Life

James Harold "Penny" Earl, Sr.

Sunrise

10.02.1952

Sunset

12.16.2019



Saturday, December 28, 2019 – 2:00pm

Order of Service

Pastor Emmanuel A. Duncan, Presiding- (Gethsemane Baptist Church)

Prelude

Processional.....Clergy, Family & Friends

Opening Hymn..... .Choir

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament – 1 Cor. 15: 51-58

New Testament – Psalms 23

PrayerRev. James W. Hallums

(Associate Pastor, Reedy River Baptist Church)

Solo *It is Well with My Soul*.....D. Ahmad Earl (nephew)

Poem Latonya McDowell (niece)

Remarks:

Childhood Friends

Family Representatives

Selection..... Choir

EulogyDr. Rondey Bolden,

(Richland Baptist Church, Seneca, SC)

Recessional

Repast (Immediate Family)

Reedy Fork Baptist Church

3115 Fork Shoals Road

Simpsonville, SC 29680



Obituary

Mr. James Harold "Penny" Earl, Sr., 67, son of the late John B. & Grace Elizabeth Earl was born in Greenville County, South Carolina on October 02, 1952. He was the 3rd child of six children. The first sibling to depart this life on December 16, 2019.

During his childhood & more recently he joined the Earl Family "Home Church" of Flat Rock Missionary Baptist Church in Piedmont, SC.

James attended Carolina High School in Greenville, SC and was very active in sports during his tenure. Receiving several awards and accolades, including "All-American" for his participation in Varsity Football, Baseball, Basketball, and Track & Field.

"Penny" then went into the Armed Forces, serving in the United States Army for a period of 4 years at bases located in Germany & Texas.

He was employed with & retired from Duke Energy (formerly Duke Power) where he was the Supervisor over Davey & Asplund Tree sub-contractors for 15+ years.

His favorite past times were playing golf, enjoying his favorite college team **CLEMSON** and other sports with his brothers and spending time with his childhood friends & family.

He will fondly be remembered by his children as fun loving dad, always having a piece of advice or an anecdote/story to share.

Surviving: two daughters, Ericka King of Atlanta, GA, and Carmen (Marcus) Blandin of Mauldin, SC; two sons, James Harold Earl, Jr., of Anderson, SC, and Christopher Richardson (Jameka) Earl of Rialto, CA; one sister, Lenora (Calvin) Turner of Camden, SC; four brothers, Jerry Earl of Pelzer, SC, John Earl of Detroit, MI, David (Mary) Earl of Greenville, SC, and Thomas (Agnes) Earl of Piedmont, SC; nine grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Our Uncle

It broke our hearts to lose you,
but you never went alone,
for a part of us went with you,
the day God took you home.

A million times we missed you,
A million times we cried,
If love could have saved you,
you never would have died.

To the grave you travel,
Our flowers placed with care,
No-one knows the heartache,
as we turn to leave you there.

If tears could build a stairway,
and memories could make a lane,
we would walk right up to heaven,
and bring you home again.

We love you uncle,
sleep well in heaven with the angels.

Courtesy of

LaTonya McDowell (niece)





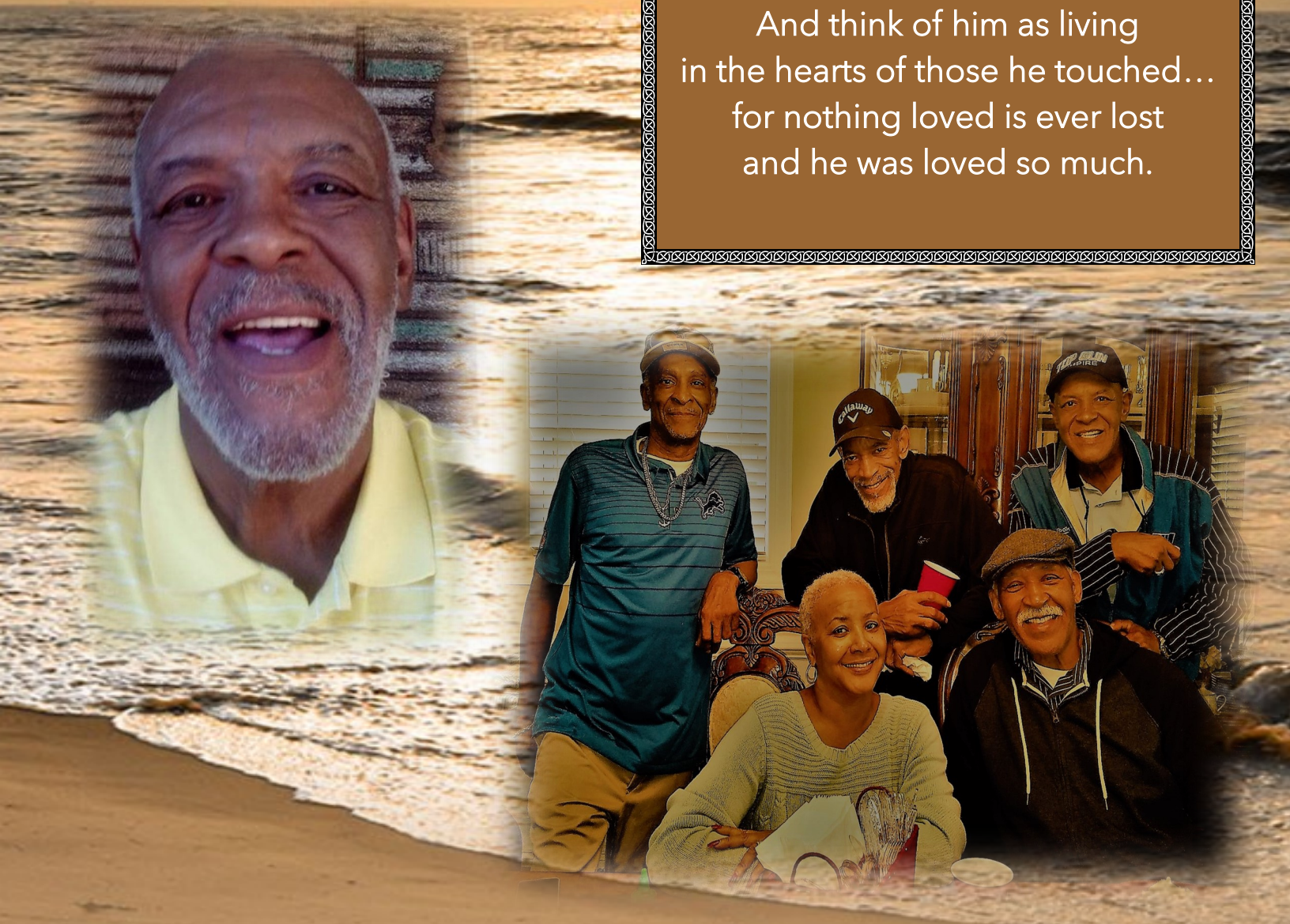
His Journey's Just Begun

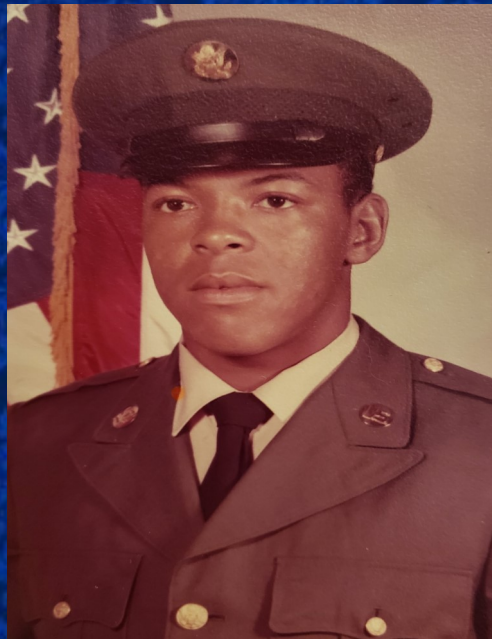
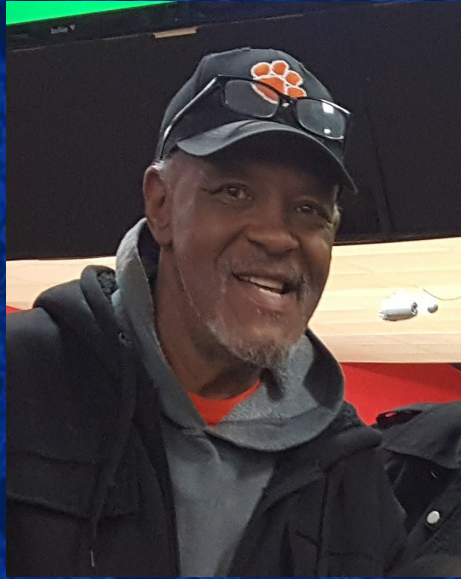
Don't think of him as gone away
his journey's just begun,
life holds so many facets
this earth is only one.

Just think of him as resting
from the sorrows and the tears
in a place of warmth and comfort
where there are no days and years.

Think how he must be wishing
that we could know today
how nothing but our sadness
can really pass away.

And think of him as living
in the hearts of those he touched...
for nothing loved is ever lost
and he was loved so much.







Flower Attendants

Nieces

Pall Bearers

Nephews

Acknowledgement

The visits you made comforted us,

The sustenance you brought, sustained us.

The messages and words, consoled us.

The donations and flowers you sent gave us some peace.

The prayers you prayed lifted us.

Whatever you did to console our hearts.

We thank you so much, whatever the part.

The Family

Funeral Services Provided by

Watkins, Garrett & Woods Mortuary

1011 Augusta Street, Greenville, SC 29605