



Thank You

It is with profound gratitude and immense appreciation that the family acknowledges the many expressions of love, concern, and kindness shown during this time of bereavement.

May the LORD be gracious to you.

-The Family



*To every thing there is a season,
and a time to every purpose under the heaven:*

A time to be born, and a time to die;

a time to plant,

and a time to pluck up that which is planted;

A time to kill, and a time to heal;

a time to break down, and a time to build up;

A time to weep, and a time to laugh;

a time to mourn, and a time to dance

Ecclesiastes 3:1-4

Professional Services Entrusted to:



Sanders Funeral Home
806 E Market St • Smithfield, NC 27577
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Celebrating THE Life OF Leon "Peter Rabbit" Burnette



SUNRISE
SEPT. 30, 1951

SUNSET
AUG. 9, 2024

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 2024
11:00 AM

SHILOH CHRISTIAN CHURCH
211 DURHAM ST
SMITHFIELD, NC 27577

BISHOP RONNIE SANDERS, EULOGIST
FAITH TABERNACLE OF DELIVERANCE



The Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Faith Tabernacle of Deliverance

Processional

Bishop Ronnie Sanders

Selection

Terry Burgess

Scripture Reading

Old Testament - Apostle Beverly Ward

New Testament - Anita Smith

Prayer of Comfort

Apostle Della Sanders

Solo

Edward Burgess

Reflections

2 Family Members and 2 Friends

Acknowledgements

Wanda Walker

Solo

Bishop Ronnie Sanders &
Faith Tabernacle of Deliverance

Eulogy

Bishop Ronnie Sanders

Mortician's Brief

Sanders Funeral Home

Recessional

Faith Tabernacle of Deliverance Choir

The Obituary

Leon Burnette, son of the late Theodore Roosevelt and Linnie Stewart was born September 30, 1951 in Four Oaks, North Carolina. Leon was educated through the Johnston County School System and graduated from South Johnston High School in 1969.

Leon worked at Exxon Station, and Chicopee for many years until he retired on disability. He was a member of Small Chapel Church under Pastor Mott in Newton Grove, NC.

In addition to his parents, Leon was preceded in death by two sisters: Carrie and Linda Burnette and two brothers: Matthew and James Burnette.

Leon leaves behind a loving family to cherish his memory: wife Joanne Burnette, four sons: Leonard (Lisa) Burnette, Tony (Emma) Burnette, Larry L. Hunter, and Gregory L. McQueen. Three daughters: Ruthie (Bennie) Parker, Rosalyn Hunter, and Latoya Hunter.

A host of grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Three brothers: Theodore Stewart (Linda) of Coats, NC, Leon Douglas Burnette (Jacqueline) of Garner, NC, Robert Batts (Priscilla) of Garner, NC; two sisters Jeannie Humphrey of Selma, NC and Cynthia Campbell (Roy) of Fuquay Varina, NC; uncles, aunts, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends, as well as special friends Annie Mae Hunter, Mrs. GG and Mrs. Sue.



“YOU ASK ME IF I SEE YOU” fara gibson

You ask me if I see you
Since I have gone away
I try to help you understand
I watch over you each day
You wonder if I hear you
When you talk to me at night
I hear you say you love me
You will never leave my sight
You cry so many tears for me
They flow upon your face...
Please feel me as I wipe your tears
I want a smile upon your face
Remember our sweet memories
The times we shared with love
Hold on to all your hopes and dreams
I support them from above
Let go of all your guilt and pain
Let go of all of your fears
God just had other plans for me
Why carry that all these years?
The day I passed is not the day
I made you love me so
Please cherish all the memories made
Before I had to go
Just take the day I passed
And put it in a box with care
Now hand the box to God please
For isn't yours to bear
Please know I'll always love you
As I watch you carry on
And know that I am here with you
For we are never really gone...