

Order of Service

Reverend Troy Nipper, Presiding

Prelude Bro. Roosevelt Simpkins
Processional Bro. Roosevelt Simpkins
Selection Valley Fair & Mt. Cannan Baptist Churches
(Combined Choir -- Musician ... Bro. Lionel Williams)
Scripture Reading
 Old Testament
 New Testament
Prayer Dea. Carl Mims
Acknowledgement Sis. Pinkey Todman

REFLECTIONS

~ Sis. Kelly Kanches ~
~ Bro. Jeffery Anderson ~
~ Aiken Seniors/Church Golf ~
~ Reverend Louise Rice ~
~ Sis. Jonné Johnson ~

Selection Preston & Weston
"A Life To Be Remembered" Read Silently
(Soft Music)
Words of Comfort Reverend George L. Brightharp
Selection Preston & Weston
Eulogy Brother Booker T. Holmes
Recessional Combined Choir
Interment Sunset Memorial Garden

REPAST
Church Fellowship Hall



Hourglass

You have loved, laughed, and cried. You were a Husband. You were a Father. You were Parent to the Fatherless.

Hard worker not always because of like for the job at hand; because of the sheer necessity to provide.

God fearing because he's your father and you knew being rooted in your faith showed your children the picture of leading by example.

You embodied the spirit of Abraham, the obedience of Noah and saw your days with sprinkles of Moses.

Many saw you tested and tried. You let them wonder. But when asked directly you shared words of wisdom. "Silent man but when he speaks the echoes of knowledge stir and inspire generations."

You have sowed seeds of plenty. Those seeds brought forth all that you represented; Truth, Hope, Wisdom and Love.

So today you are honored for the deeds you have displayed throughout this journey we call life.

With this reflection may it bare the blessing that your sowing seeds will multiply.



Pallbearers
Family and Friends

Floral Attendants
Usher and Friends

Musicians
Bro. Lionel Williams Bro. Roosevelt Simpkins

Our Sincere Appreciation

The family wishes to thank all who have been so very kind to us in our hour of sorrow. We have sustained a great loss, and your kindness, prayers, and words of consolation are comforting to us. At this time, we extend our sincere appreciation. May God continue to bless each of you.

Professional Services Entrusted To:
G. L. Brightharp & Sons Mortuary
Aiken, South Carolina
803-648-0134

Celebration Of Life For Mr. Howard Ealie Hardy

Sunrise
August 1, 1941

Sunset
March 27, 2017



Friday, March 31, 2017
1:00 P.M.

Valley Fair Baptist Church
Graniteville, South Carolina

Reverend Troy Nipper, Pastor
Brother Booker T. Holmes, Officiating

"A Life To Be Remembered"

Howard Ealie Hardy entered into eternal rest on Monday, March 27, 2017 at the age of 75. He was born on August 1, 1941 in Lawrenceville, Virginia to the late Clarence E. and Willie Mae Hardy. He married Carolyn L. Hardy on August 4, 1979. They moved to Graniteville, South Carolina in 1996.

Howard was baptized and grew up in Zion Baptist Church, Hampton, VA under Rev. Dr. J. Dett Marshburn. He graduated from Phenix High School (Hampton, VA) in 1959. Later that year in September, he joined the United States Air Force. He served 26 years faithfully and honorably till he retired October 1, 1985 as a Master Sergeant. While serving, in 1973 he was nominated to be one of a few that would help write and type the Paris Peace Accords.

Howard loved golfing and cooking. He golfed with Aiken Seniors and Church Golf. He never missed a day playing on the golf course unless he really had too. In earlier years, "Ealie" as he is known by family and close friends could be found anywhere his Dad could be found. Which meant numerous fishing outings, Hampton Institute Pirate football games, tending to the gardens, and how could we forget his culinary skills. There are many scrumptious dishes that he will be known for, some of our favorites include his succulent BBQ ribs, Smoked Turkey, Stuffed Peppers, Spaghetti and his famous hot wings and then there was the Macaroni and Cheese challenge, Jonné finally surrendered her recipe to him and he claimed it as his own.

He loved his children. He was known for always toting his daughters Jessica and Angelica around. He would take Jessica and her friends to concerts out of town, take Angelica and her friends to all of the school games. He would try to charge a nickel each time but non-payment did not stop him from taking them the next time. He enjoyed making them laugh and giving out life lessons.

If you were ever having a bad day, it only took him to say a few words and you'd be laughing and would soon forget about why you were down. He had a story for just about every situation in life. Did you know he was a Wordsmith? A consultant for Scrabble? Well, he wasn't, but we never let him know that he wasn't. There were no better comedy than to watch him play scrabble with his two sisters and his niece, Kesha. Oh the words we all learned. Howard will be remembered as a natural giver always giving unselfishly of himself. Whatever the need, he was determined to provide. His mantra, "No Sweat" and "No Problem". He was affectionately referred to as "Sugar" and "Bad Penny" by family and friends. You may have known him as Hardy, Ealie, Buddy, Howie or maybe you didn't know him at all, he never encountered a stranger and welcomed everyone into his presence with a smile, handshake, a joke, or a laugh. One thing was certain, you would walk away with an unforgettable Howard E. Hardy experience and a new friend.

He was preceded in death by his father and mother, Clarence E. and Willie Mae Hardy. Surviving family members include his wife Carolyn L. Hardy; three daughters, Jonné Hardy-Johnson (Eric) of Hampton, VA; Jessica Hardy and Angelica Hardy of Graniteville, SC; two sisters, Phyllis Porter of Hampton, VA. and Gayle Hardy of Richmond, VA. Also surviving are his two grandchildren, Oscar Johnson and Eric Johnson Jr. He remained close to his very dear friend, Bertha Hardy. Counted among his survivors is a niece, Kesha Porter; a nephew, Jayon Porter, two sisters-in-law, Sylvia Lake and Theresa Lake, his church family, neighbors, and many very dear friends.

"Moments To Be Remembered"

