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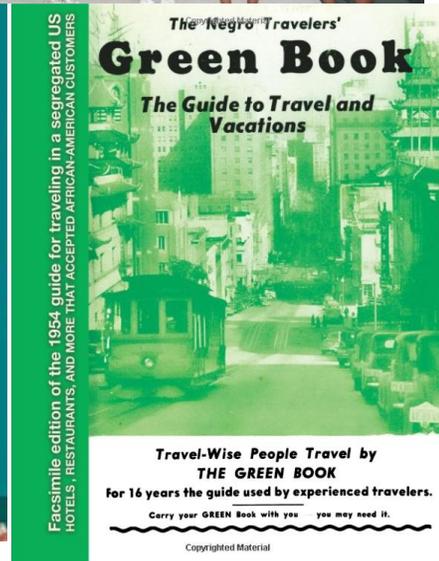
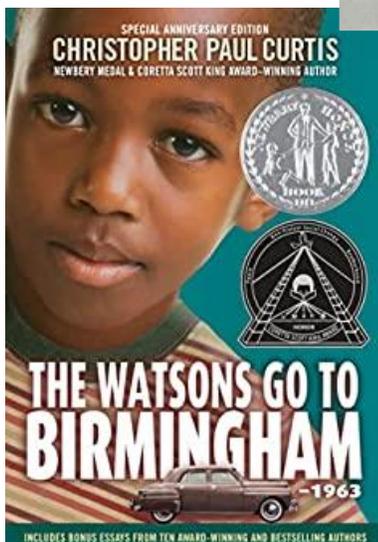
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Freewoods Farm is a living farm museum that tells the story of what African Americans did on and from family farms from 1865 to 1960. The official name of the Farm is Freewoods Foundation; it received its 501© (3) status from the federal government in 1991. The Freewoods Community in Burgess, South Carolina, is used as background and the location for this museum; it was typical of other African American farm communities in the South during their first century of freedom. On Freewoods Farm, we farm with mules, plows, hoes, other manual equipment and physical labor, just as those earlier farmers did. From those farms, the farmers built homes, churches (connected by regional reunions, associations and conventions), schools and they formed community fraternities and sororities.

At the end of the Civil War, a major question in the country was: What to do with the four million newly freed formerly enslaved people? They had no land, no money, no homes and no one to house them for a while, and they were in a hostile environment! One idea was to give each Black family forty acres of land and a mule. Black people were excited by that suggestion! They wanted the land and mule. Alas, they did not get either. It is true that a small number of newly freed slaves



were able to acquire land under federal or state programs. And like the farmers in Freewoods, because of the goodwill of some white land owners, a few were able to purchase their land. Freewoods Farm consists of forty acres and a mule, symbolically representing the land which newly freed people did not get. For the first three fourth of their first century of freedom, some eighty to eighty-five percent of African Americans were farmers; mostly sharecroppers. For almost a century, Freewoods was a totally Black farming community. Therefore, we use farm life in Freewoods as the framework for Freewoods Farm.

As a service of the Farm museum, for a fee, we currently allow members of the public to hold events (weddings, birthday parties, conferences, etc.) in one of our buildings. Also for a nominal fee, we provide public tours of the Farm for all age groups. These, plus gifts and sale of farm produce, are our primary revenue sources.



Because of the corona virus, events on the Farm were suspended for over two years. As a result, income and contributions dried up. Our current need for financial assistance is great. We need funds for normal operation, including salaries, feed for animals, land cultivation, fertilizer, insurance, building maintenance, etc. We also have some special needs:

1. A Ticket/Security Booth at the entrance to the Farm.
2. The dirt road with pot holes around the Farm needs to be upgraded, so that seniors and handicap visitors who are unable to walk will have greater access to more of the Farm. We currently have a cost estimate.
3. The mobile home on the Farm, which in the past was home for our Site Manager, needs renovating and will then become our on-site office. We currently have a cost estimate.

We need and would deeply appreciate any and all financial assistance. From these old fields must sprout new corn.

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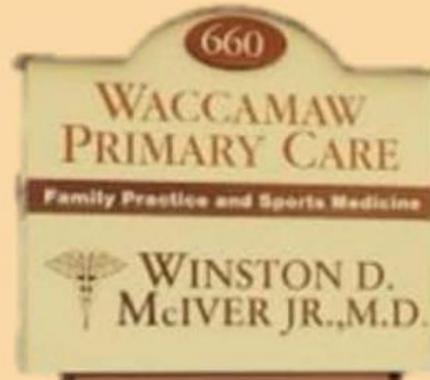
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Cataract surgery could soon be a thing of the past. At least that's what two recent studies, one published in [Nature](#) and the other in [Science](#), suggest.

Cataracts are cloudy regions that develop in the lens of the eye. They take years to form, but can be dissolved in a matter of weeks with a substance called lanosterol, a precursor to cholesterol and several related sterols. The Nature paper showed that an injection followed by eye drops containing lanosterol reversed clouding in the lenses of dogs after treating them for just six weeks. Veterinarians may soon be able to substitute eye drops for the scalpel to treat their canine patients, which is just as well as cataracts are common in some pedigree dogs including, ironically, guide dogs for the blind.

The Science paper reports the discovery of a class of small molecules also derived from cholesterol. These sterols were shown to reverse lens clouding in mice and, remarkably, the effects were seen in just two weeks.

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Surgeon shortage

Cataracts and the clouding that happens as a result of [protein aggregation](#) was considered a point of no return. Until these two new studies came along, no one even thought that restoring the transparency of the lens was an alternative. These papers change that perspective and open a completely new therapeutic strategy to treat cataracts in the future.

Cataracts occur as a result of protein clumping together on the eye's lens, preventing light from reaching the retina. Once the cataract is formed, there is one option: [surgery](#). Cataract surgery involves removing the natural lens through tiny incisions and replacing it with a plastic "intraocular" lens.

Cataract surgery is one of the most commonly performed procedures and it has a high success rate. The problem is that there simply aren't enough ophthalmic surgeons to perform all of the procedures that are needed.



In 2010, there were 95m people requiring cataract surgery, worldwide, and of these people 20m were blind as a result. With people living longer, the problem is only going to get worse.

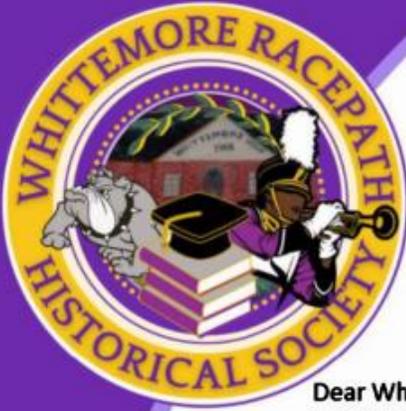
If you live long enough, you will develop cataracts. So something that radically shifts not only our understanding of cataracts but also its treatment is badly needed. And the two recent studies may be just that something. They herald the most remarkable discovery to emerge in the field of cataract therapies since Harold Ridley developed the intraocular lens in the mid-20th century.

It's not just cataracts

The Science paper shows that selected sterols could help in the treatment of a host of other human diseases such as cardiomyopathy and neurodegenerative diseases where similar proteins are involved. As more details on the mechanism of action become known, it is possible that such sterol-based drugs could have applications for the treatment of Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease and other types of dementia.

Another possible application for sterol-based treatments is presbyopia (long-sightedness). This is the other universally experienced ageing effect on the eye lens. When we reach middle age, our arms need to grow a couple inches every year so we can continue to type and read the computer screen. It is believed that presbyopia is the first stage in age-related cataracts. By mid-life, the lens proteins have accumulated significant damage, enough to change their properties and start the process of forming "aggregates" that eventually become a cataract. So the research described in the two papers really does offer something momentous: the preservation of our sight as we age.

If you live long enough, you will develop cataracts. So something that radically shifts not only our understanding of cataracts but also its treatment is badly needed.



WHITTEMORE RACEPATH Historical Society, Inc.

Dear Whittemore Alumni/Friend:

We are writing to request your assistance in saving the Whittemore Elementary School, a historical landmark in our community from demolition. The City of Conway proposed in 2017 to convert the Whittemore Elementary School into a thriving community center for its residents and now has changed their decision due to unforeseen factors. We truly believe that this historical landmark is worth the effort to save it and preserve its legacy.

As you are aware, Whittemore was the only school that Blacks could attend. The teachers and staff, although provided with substandard material, were dedicated to helping us to be the best that we could be. There are so many that have made major contributions to the community, state and country who at some point attended this great school.

Currently, we have organized as Whittemore Racepath Historical Society, Inc. (WRHS), an organization dedicated to working to preserve historical structures in our community. We are asking for your support and commitment to this project to save our dear ole Whittemore Elementary School. To join the organization there is a membership fee of \$25.00 per year. We are also soliciting donations above yearly membership fees to support this worthwhile project. We need your help sharing information and encouraging others to join. There is power in numbers.

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In South Carolina, Prostate Cancer is Much Worse for Black Men: Telling That Story Could Save Lives



Forwarded By Lee Moultrie

As a prostate cancer survivor and a Black man in South Carolina, Lee H. Moultrie of North Charleston said he can't be silent about it.

The news he and other advocates have to share is not good: Black men in the Palmetto State die from the cancer at more than twice the rate of Whites, one of the worst cancer disparities in the country.

"I don't think the message is getting out as much as we would like it to be," said Moultrie, 65. "It's not in the mainstream discussion." That is the mission of the Prostate Health Education Network, which recently held an online rally in South Carolina to encourage more survivors to share their message with Black men and encourage them to seek testing. The group has also been airing ads and public service announcements on radio across the state. "It's very important to be transparent, to share our stories, to let men know we don't need to be afraid of this disease," said Dr. Larry Ferguson of Charleston, a dentist and prostate cancer survivor.

The news they have to share is grim: the incidence of prostate cancer in Black men in South Carolina is 73 percent higher than for Whites, and the death rate is 2.4 times higher, *said Dr. Keith Crawford*, director of clinical trials and patient education for the advocacy network. The disparity varies across the state. The incidence of prostate cancer for Black men in Charleston and Columbia is about 50 percent higher than for Whites, but it is 87 percent higher in Greenville, Crawford said. The death rate is 62 percent higher in Charleston but 90 percent higher in Columbia and 240 percent higher in Greenville. Knowing that variation, "we can better address the problem," he said. The death rate in his hometown got the attention of Johnny Payne of Greenville, a survivor and advocate with the Upstate Prostate Cancer Alliance. "That's a really disturbing number," he said.

Part The group had for years promoted Father's Day events in Black churches to encourage more men to learn about their risk and offer a special prayer for survivors. One or two men would usually come forward, but Farrington said he was often approached privately by other men afterward who were survivors, but who were not sharing it. "Men in the church sitting next to each other did not know" they were both survivors, he said.

The benefits of hearing those stories can be immediate, said *Dr. Byron Benton*, senior pastor of Mount Moriah Missionary Baptists Church. Soon after his father, a survivor, and Ferguson spoke at a special service the church organized one of the congregants told him that he got screened, was diagnosed with prostate cancer but "they caught it early," Benton said. Those stories "literally saved a life," he said. Early detection makes a difference, from a 90 percent survival rate at five years versus late-stage disease with a 31 percent survival. By pushing early detection, "we will make a major impact on reducing disparity and saving lives," Farrington said.

Still, men are reluctant to bring it up, and the group is out to change that. When he was diagnosed in December 2020, Ferguson immediately called his son and daughters "because I wanted the men in my life to know it is very important for you to stay on top of your PSA" or prostate-specific antigen test, a blood test that looks for proteins that can signal an increase in cancerous cells, he said.

The test itself is controversial. After being approved as a screening test in the mid-'90s, evidence showed that the elevated levels found in the test could not only signal cancer but also many benign conditions. Beginning around 2008 many medical organizations began to back away from recommending it as a routine screening. The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force, whose recommendations are often followed by Medicare and large insurance companies, recommends that for men ages 55 to 69 it should be an individual choice

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Belly fat is unhealthy—there's no two ways about it. While excess fat in general is concerning, abdominal fat is particularly dangerous and can lead to issues such as type 2 diabetes and heart disease. "We found that apple-shaped persons—even if totally healthy and with a normal blood pressure—have an elevated blood pressure in their kidneys. When they are also overweight or obese, this is even worse," says Arjan Kwakernaak, MD, PhD. Worried about your belly fat? Here are five science-backed ways to target it. Read on—and to ensure your health and the health of others, don't miss these **Sure Signs You've Already Had COVID.**

Do You Have 'Stress Belly'?

Unmanaged stress can exacerbate belly fat—and excess belly fat leads to more stress, experts warn. "We... found that women with greater abdominal fat had more negative moods and higher levels of life stress," says Elissa S. Epel, PhD. "Greater exposure to life stress or psychological vulnerability to stress may explain their enhanced cortisol reactivity. In turn, their cortisol exposure may have led them to accumulate greater abdominal fat. These relationships likely apply to men as well. However, excess weight on men is almost always stored at the abdomen. On the contrary, in pre-menopausal women, excess weight is more often stored at the hips. Therefore, for women, it is possible that stress may influence body shape more than for men, leading to abdominal fat instead of lower body fat accumulation."

Focus On Your Sleep

Yes, it's tempting to stay up late binge-watching your favorite shows, but if you don't prioritize sleep, that belly is likely here to stay. "Our fat cells need sleep to function properly," says Matthew Brady, vice chair of the committee on Molecular Metabolism and Nutrition at the University of Chicago. "If you're sleep deprived, your brain may feel groggy, and it turns out that your fat cells also need sleep or they are metabolically groggy. When fat cells are functioning properly, they safely store fat away for future use such as when you are sleeping or exercising. Fat cells remove fatty acids and lipids from circulating in the body and damaging other tissues. But when your fat cells stop responding to insulin properly, then lipids leave the fat cells and leach out into your blood."

Clean Up Your Diet

No, you don't have to starve yourself or cut out entire food groups, but be sensible and make smart choices. "Balance, variety and moderation are still important," says psychologist and registered dietitian David Creel, PhD. "Eating lean proteins, lots of vegetables, moderate amounts of fruits, moderate amounts of whole grains and low-fat dairy, still works for the majority of people."

Move It

Regular exercise is a great way to fight belly fat and improve overall health. "Patients want to know why they can't just do sit-ups to melt away the fat," says Dr. Creel. "When you do sit-ups, you're strengthening muscles in the abdomen, but that doesn't specifically target the fat or loose skin around our stomach. It's also important to understand that where we gain or lose fat is influenced by our genetics... Any added muscle will increase our calorie burn at rest, whereas cardiovascular exercise will give our metabolism a boost during and for a short time after exercise. Exercise may also have indirect positive benefits on weight by helping us sleep better and manage emotional eating."

Be Mindful of Sugar Intake

Excess sugar consumption can lead to fat deposits around major organs, studies show. "When we consume too much sugar the excess is converted to fat and stored," says PhD student So Yun Yi. "This fat tissue located around the heart and in the abdomen releases chemicals into the body which can be harmful to health. Our results support limiting added sugar intake."



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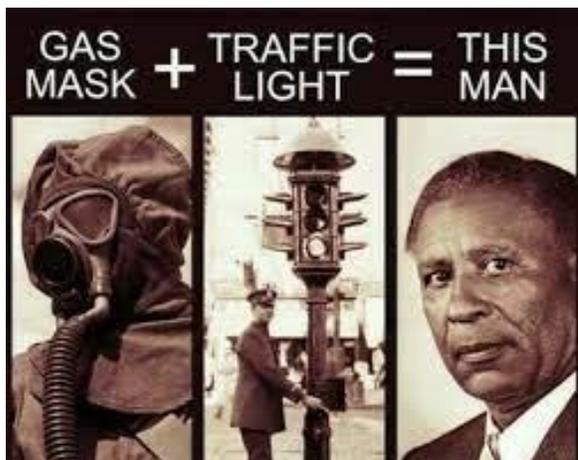
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Who Invented Traffic Lights and Gas Masks?

Garret Augustus Morgan Sr. blazed a trail for African American inventors with his patents, including those for a hair-straightening product, a breathing device, a revamped sewing machine and an improved traffic signal. He was born in Kentucky in 1877. On July 25, 1916, Garret Morgan made the news for using his gas mask to save men trapped in an underground tunnel 250 feet under Lake Erie twenty-one of them had died. Morgan brought two workers out alive and recuperated the bodies of seventeen others.



Garrett Morgan also invented the first automatic three-way traffic signal system. So imagine if those people he saved didn't have the gas mask? They wouldn't have been able to breathe and would pass away. And how would the roadways be now without the automatic three-way traffic signal system? The people would have more injuries right now. He made inventions that have saved many lives and that is why he made history! We should forever be grateful for the contributions of Garret A. Morgan, Sr!

“CAUGHT GREEN HANDED”



The Horry County Solid Waste Authority recently recognized Conway area resident **Loubertha Bellamy** as the “Caught Green Handed” recipient for the month of July.

“The ‘Caught Green Handed’ recognition is presented monthly to a Horry County resident caught in the act of recycling” stated **Esther Murphy**, Director of Recycling and Corporate Affairs for the Solid Waste Authority. “It’s the Solid Waste Authority’s way of recognizing and thanking citizens who have made the effort to recycle. Through their recycling efforts, natural resources are saved and the amount of waste being landfilled is reduced.” **Ms. Bellamy**, a regular recycler at the North Myrtle Beach Recycling Center, was surprised and honored to receive this recognition.

For more information on recycling, please contact the Solid Waste Authority at 843.347.1651.



Priscilla W. Fuller
Concerned Citizen

By Priscilla Wyman Fuller

My Point of View.....

Dear Editor:

I must respond to the article in the Horry Independent on 8/25/2022 regarding the banning of critical race theory in the Horry County school system. I am appalled at the response of Mr. Richardson, someone charged with leading our school system. The response he gave was from someone who clearly is unfamiliar with the past history of this town. To begin with, this theory is not being taught in any school system in South Carolina. Why this resolution was passed instead of coming up with a proposal to have all students gain knowledge about a more complete history of this country.

It has only been since 1970 that schools in Conway were fully integrated. Being a product of the Horry County Schools, for most of my school life, the contributions of Blacks in this country was always omitted from schoolbooks. For too long the discussions about history were limited to what had been written previously excluding major facts about our contributions. Teachers in our Black school were dedicated to their profession and wanted to give their Black students a more accurate picture of history, sent us running to the library to do research regarding it. If I read history books back then, I would not be aware of our contributions of people of color. Throughout our lifetimes the history of slavery and the contributions that we played in building this country, county and city have been omitted.

What I did not hear Mr. Richardson say was what he proposed to put into place to educate all children about the history of this country. What people are now asking is that the books and curriculum contain information about the accurate history of this country and contributions of all people. This is a great country but it did not happen overnight. There were clearly things we did wrong but overcame to make us this great nation. It has been said that history repeats itself and we should learn from it.

Recently, there was an article in the newspaper that in one state, a group of educators proposed to the Board of education that the word slavery should not be used but that the word involuntary relocation be used instead!! I am sure if this debate continues people will argue the fact that slavery even took place. There are many people of different backgrounds and cultures that have contributed to the history. of this county. All people are now asking that this be acknowledged and taught to our children. Not a lot to ask in this great country of ours.

In South Carolina, Prostate Cancer is Much Worse for Black Men

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discussed with a health care provider, because the test offers a small potential benefit but also the risk of harm, including false-positives that lead to other tests or procedures such as biopsies. Black men have the highest risk of prostate cancer and the potential benefit from the test for them is much higher, advocates said. Research showed that beginning the test for Black men at age 45, for instance, would reduce their mortality by 26-29 percent, Crawford said. The discussion should really begin for them at age 40, he said.

Those discussions should go beyond prostate cancer to men's health in general, said Moultrie, who has been advocating for greater cancer screening and awareness long before he himself was diagnosed with prostate cancer in 2015.

After conversations with his doctor, he decided on "watchful waiting," the practice of monitoring the slow-growing cancer instead of opting for immediate treatment, an option Moultrie thinks is not talked about enough. After six years, his PSA shot up and in November his doctor recommended treatment. Moultrie completed proton therapy, a kind of focused radiation therapy, in February and is monitoring his PSA for now. But he has also gotten more serious about improving his health overall, committing to exercise and a more rigorous diet while getting his diabetes under control. That's a message men don't hear enough as well.

of the problem is silence, said Dr. Thomas Farrington, founder and president of the advocacy network and a 22-year survivor.

The Aforementioned article is courtesy of Tom Corwin of The Charleston Post & Courier

Cases of late stage cervical cancer are increasing in the United States despite expanded access to health insurance through the **Affordable Care Act** and the availability of a vaccine designed to protect against the disease.

A new study published in the *International Journal of Gynecological Cancer* found that while the overall rate of cervical cancer in this country has been declining, advanced-stage cases of the disease are rising among white and Black women.

Overall, there was a 1.3% annual increase in the number of advanced stage cervical cancer cases between 2001 to 2018, according to the study. The most significant uptick was among white women in the south aged 40 to 44 years old. For this specific demographic, the annual increase in the number of advanced cervical cancer cases was 4.5%.

Among Black women, for whom the overall prevalence of cervical cancer remains higher, cases increased 0.67% annually during the 18-year study period.

"While rates of early-stage cervical cancer have fallen, distant stage cancer is on the rise in white and Black women," researchers said. "Even with screening and vaccination, there is not one racial or ethnic group, region in the USA, or age group where distant stage cervical cancer has been decreasing over the last 18 years."

Here's a closer look at the study findings and the signs and symptoms of late stage cervical cancer.

Women of Color Die of Cancer at Higher Rates Than White Women—Here's What Experts Say We Should Do About It:

Advanced Stage Cervical Cancer on the Rise in Black and White Women

In high income countries, advanced stage cervical cancer continues to be a significant challenge. It remains the sixth most common cause of female malignancy and the ninth most common cause of female cancer mortality, according to the newly published study.

This is despite the fact that a vaccine for the human papillomavirus (HPV), which provides protection against 90% of the HPV strains that lead to cervical cancer, was approved by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) back in [2006](#).

The study's findings also come as a surprise given that the expansion of the Affordable Care Act provided more individuals with access to medical care and preventative screenings.

"Cervical cancer should be nearly 100% preventable," **Gary Leiserowitz, MD**, interim executive director of UC Davis Medical Group's department of obstetrics and gynecology, told *Health*. "For people who are receiving routine preventative care and with use of the HPV vaccine, we can almost entirely eliminate the risk of cervical cancer."

While early stage cervical cancer is indeed decreasing in the United States, late stage or metastatic cervical cancer is not experiencing similar progress. Researchers from the University of California Los Angeles Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, who reviewed data for 29,715 women, found that

by 2018, the incidence of distant stage cervical cancer had increased to 0.99 per 100,000 compared with 0.78 per 100,000 back in 2001. Cases of **adenocarcinoma**—or cervical cancer that forms in the glandular tissues lining organs—increased most significantly at an average rate of 2.95% annually between 2001 and 2018. Cases of squamous cell carcinoma, increased at a rate of 0.77% annually.

"Adenocarcinomas are more challenging to pick up as they are within tissue in the cervix or high up in the canal," **Cheryl Saenz, MD**, a gynecologic oncologist at UC San Diego Health's Moores Cancer Center, told *Health*. "That makes it all the more important for women to be aware, as those can be more challenging to detect."

Adenocarcinoma cases increased most among white women at 3.4% annually, while among Black women there was a 1.71% annual increase. Squamous cell carcinoma is *only* increasing among white women and is doing so at a rate of 1.4% per year. When researchers looked at the study data by region, they found that individuals in the South experienced the most significant annual increase of advanced stage cervical disease at 2.1% per year, followed by the Northeast where numbers rose 1.4% annually. And as already noted, white women in the South, aged 40 to 44 experienced the single most significant increase of distant cervical cancer at 4.5% annually.

But even with that specific regional leap in case numbers, Black women overall continue to experience the highest rates of cervical cancer. Prevalence of advanced cervical cancer was 1.55 per 100,000 Black women compared to 0.92 per 100,000 white women, according to the researchers.



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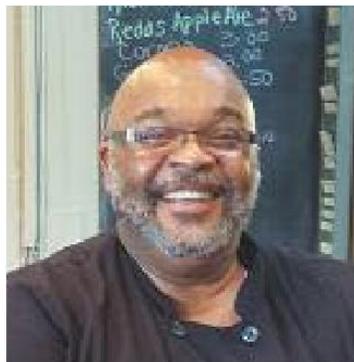
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MEETING THE CHALLENGES !!

The local and surrounding communities really stepped up to the challenges (eg. The ongoing COVID Pandemic) in supporting the employment of our youth during the Summer of 2022. **The World Community Magazine 2022 Youth Summer Jobs Program** in collaboration with the **2022 Summer Literacy Initiative**, had another successful summer program over the course of **6 weeks** beginning **June 13** and ending on **Jul 25**. We sincerely want to thank all of our contributors (See Pages 22 & 23). The hope is that if young people start work experiences while students, they will build networks with mentors and employers who will keep them engaged with school and careers. This issue will feature photos of the youth in action on the hosting job sites. It was reported from each job site that the youth took their jobs very seriously and can't wait to start working again next year. Much gratitude is extended to those persons who assisted with coordination for this successful program. Kudos to **The World Community Youth Summer Jobs Program Staff** and **The Summer Literacy Initiative Staff !!**



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By Marjorie McIver



On behalf of the 2022 Summer Literacy Initiative, we thank you for your involvement and commitment to enhancing the lives of our youth as they develop skills in writing and research. The activities in which they were engaged helped them to research and learn more about their history, culture, and heritage.

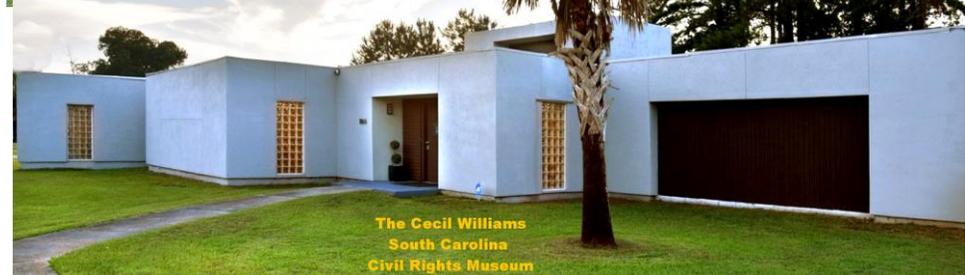
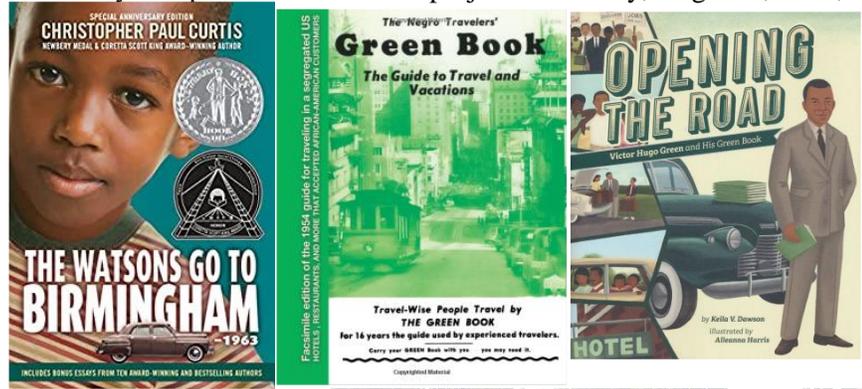
Seventeen (17) of the 25 youth that started the program, completed activities from the books, The Watsons Go To Birmingham, by Christopher Paul Curtis, and the Green Book, by Victor Hugo Green, as well as Opening the Road: Victor Hugo and His Green Book, by Keila Dawson. The youth presented their final projects on Friday, August 5, 2022, with April Gardner serving as host.

The next day, Saturday, August 6, 2022, literacy students, parents, and community persons traveled with youth from The World Community Magazine (WCM) Summer Jobs Program to **The Cecil William Civil Rights Museum** in Orangeburg, SC. Out-of-state youth who participated in the Literacy Program traveled by car to the museum.

The group ate a delicious meal at **D & B Soul Food Restaurant (Tyrone Dash, owner)**. Afterwards, we traveled to the site of the bowling center that sparked the Orangeburg Massacre. *Jo Ella McQueen* shared the history of the Orangeburg Massacre. Afterwards, the group took a grand tour of **South Carolina State University**, guided by college honor students and leaders (See Photos Page 21). This year's Summer Literacy will prepare the youth for their next research project and future travels as we learn more about the Gullah Geechee Culture and Heritage and the Gullah Geechee Cultural Heritage Corridor.

We thank the community resource persons who shared their work and community events on the *WCM Live Broadcast on Tuesday, 2022*, who were interviewed by the youth, and those who viewed the presentations of the youth: *Pat Mallett*, Atlantic Beach Community Development Committee; *Zenobia Harper*, Coastal Carolina University Community Coordinator Gullah Geechee Diaspora and Gullah Geechee historian, Horry, Georgetown, and surrounding communities; *Marilyn Hemingway*, Founder and CEO Georgetown Gullah Geechee Chamber; *Veronica Gerald*, Founder, Joyner Institute of Gullah Diaspora; and *Barbara Blain Bellamy*, Mayor, City of Conway. We also thank the **2022 Summer Literacy Committee** for their work and support of the youth: *Marjorie C. McIver*, *April Garner*, *Jo Ella McQueen*, *Marlo Frazier*, *Aprille Brown*, *Edward McQueen*, and *Hana McIver Sands*.

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THE COMMUNITY MEETING THE CHALLENGES !! *Cont'd* *(Photos from S.C. State University)*



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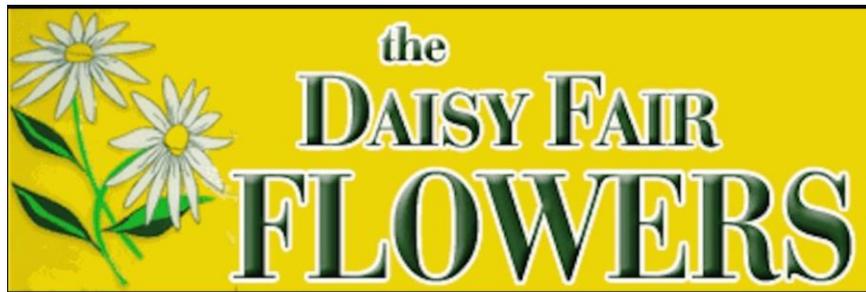
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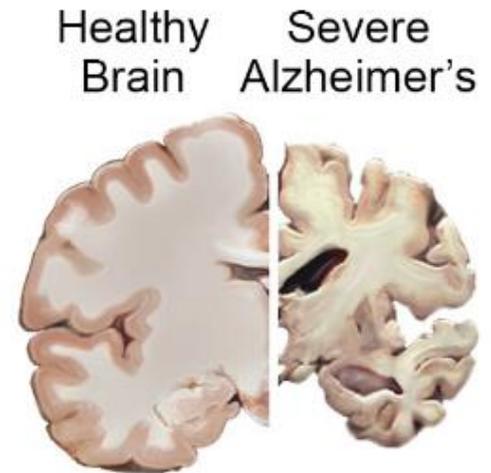
Scientists are just beginning to grasp the intricacies of our most vital organ. Believe it or not, how the brain works and what causes it to malfunction are still poorly understood. But one thing that's become pretty clear is that what we eat has a profound effect on our overall cognitive health.

To unpack the latest research on nutrition and brain health — from what foods can help protect against dementia to the scoop on the **MIND diet** — we've turned once again to nutritionist and cookbook author **Maya Feller**.

The heart of it all

One key to a healthy brain, Feller says, is maintaining a robust cardiovascular system. Keeping your heart in good shape will lower your risk for conditions like strokes and dementia. Strokes occur when a clot or a plaque blocks a blood vessel in the brain, or when a vessel in the brain bursts. This causes brain tissue to die and can lead to memory loss and disability, per the CDC. And, at least one type of dementia, called vascular dementia, is caused by a series of small strokes.

So how do you keep the heart healthy? Start with a diet rich in fresh fruits and vegetables, cut down on processed foods and added sugars, and up your consumption of whole grains and healthy fats, found in nuts, seeds, and fish. Feller also stresses limiting your alcohol intake and keeping your blood sugar in check. High blood sugar can damage blood vessels and nerves.



What to know about the MIND Diet

Given the heart's profound impact on brain health, the MIND diet — a fairly new eating regimen that's meant to promote a healthy brain — makes sense. The diet is a hybrid of the popular DASH (Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension) diet, which looks to lower blood pressure, and the Mediterranean diet, another heart-healthy way of eating.

Here's how the Mediterranean-DASH Intervention for Neurodegenerative Delay works. It encourages eating whole grains and leafy vegetables every day, and a couple of servings of beans, berries, and fish a couple of times a week. Feller says seafood is a great source of omega-3 fatty acids

It also emphasizes using olive oil — another healthy source of fat — to cook with, while limiting red meat, cheese, and dairy in meals.

The MIND diet has been shown in studies to lower rates of Alzheimer's disease and slow cognitive decline.

The role antioxidants play in brain health

You've probably heard by now about antioxidants and the potential benefits they carry. Researchers have been studying berries and the superfood's effects on brain health for years. Several studies have concluded that eating strawberries, blueberries, and blackberries, which are high in flavonoids — antioxidants that give foods their vibrant color — could prevent Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, and other neurodegenerative diseases. Some research even suggests flavonoids may have a hand in reversing declines in memory and learning as we age.

But a fistful of blueberries is not a magic pill, Feller says.

“It's not like if you eat a handful of blueberries every single day, you're not going to have dementia. It's about reducing the risk for vascular complications,” she says. And that can be accomplished through rethinking the way you eat.

Four key disparities show how these populations are vulnerable:

Children of color are less likely than white children to see a dentist and receive preventive care

People who receive regular dental care and develop good habits early in life tend to have better lifelong oral health. Children of color see dentists and receive preventive services, such as fluoride treatments or sealants, less often than their white peers do.³ For example, only 10 percent of Hispanic and black children received any preventive service in 2009, compared with 17 percent of white children.⁴ American Indian and Alaska Native children face particularly severe barriers to care, largely because of geographic isolation and a lack of available providers.⁵ Poverty, which disproportionately affects communities of color, can create additional hurdles for children in accessing dental care.⁶ Only about one-third of U.S. dentists accept Medicaid.

Asian, black, and Hispanic children are less likely than their white peers to have sealants

One of the most effective preventive treatments available for children is dental sealants, which are plastic coatings that protect the chewing surfaces of teeth from bacteria. Sealants can reduce decay by 80 percent in the two years after placement and continue to be effective for nearly five years.⁷ Although some states have eliminated income and racial disparities in sealant application through the use of school-based programs and other efforts, rates nationally are consistent with those for other preventive services: Asian, black, and Hispanic children remain less likely than white children to have even one dental sealant. This disparity may be a contributing factor in the higher rates of decay present among children of color.

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*Cont'd From Page 26***People of color are more likely than whites to suffer from untreated tooth decay**

Lower rates of dental visits and preventive care may contribute to the higher rates of untreated tooth decay among Hispanic and black children and adults. According to data collected in 2011 and 2012, Hispanic and black 2- to 8-year-olds were about twice as likely as whites to have untreated decay.⁸ During the same period, black working-age adults were nearly twice as likely to have untreated decay as white working-age adults, 42 percent compared with 22 percent.⁹

American Indians and Alaska Natives have the poorest oral health of any U.S.

population. Preschool-age American Indian children in 2014 were four times as likely as white children to have untreated tooth decay—43 percent compared with 11 percent. In addition, 2 in 3 Native Americans ages 35 to 44 had untreated decay in 1999, the most recent year for which nationwide data are available. Further, recent research from the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota—one of the largest native communities in the country—found that 97 percent of adults had untreated decay in 2011, compared with 27 percent of all adults in the U.S.¹⁰

Adults and seniors of color are more likely than whites to lose their teeth

Inadequate preventive care and untreated decay have consequences. Over time, teeth and gums become seriously diseased and can require costly treatment or extraction. Consistent with their higher rates of untreated decay, adults of color are more likely to lose teeth as a result of dental disease. Compared with their white peers, black, Asian, and Hispanic working-age adults are more likely to have had a tooth pulled because of tooth decay or gum disease, and Asian and black seniors are much more likely than white seniors to have lost all of their teeth.

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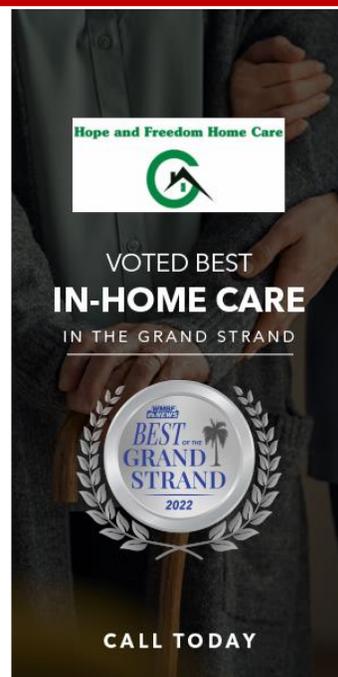
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Here Are the Signs and Symptoms to Know*Cont'd from Page 14***Cases Increasing Despite Prevention and Early Detection Methods**

There's likely many factors contributing to the rise in advanced stage cervical cancer, say experts.

The study, for instance, points out that white patients have the lowest rate of childhood HPV vaccination and the highest rates of non-guideline screening—meaning they're not engaging in regular cancer screenings as recommended, which could be contributing to the findings.

"Over 90% of cervical cancer is caused by HPV," says the study. "The lower rate of vaccination in white women coupled with non-guideline screening in this population could explain the trend toward the higher rate of increase in distant disease in white women."

The challenge here is two-fold. It's not uncommon for individuals to be suspicious of vaccines or to simply forgo getting vaccinated for HPV.

"Use of the HPV vaccine is highly variable among different groups in the United States and use depends on many demographic factors. People either do not have access to it or are not availing themselves of the vaccine," said Dr. Leiserowitz.

This reality is compounded by the fact that many women, as they age, simply cease getting routine screenings.

"Women tend to stop going to the gynecologist when they stop having babies. And if you're not in the gynecologist's office, then you're not having pap smears," said Dr. Saenz. "A lot of women associate going to the doctor with having babies."

No matter what your age, however, it's incredibly important to continue visiting the gynecologist.

"People need to continue going for their annual checkups. You're never too old to go to the gynecologist," said Dr. Akers.

"People think they age out of going to the gynecologist."

The study conclusion also stressed that disparities continue to exist when it comes to accessing screening programs and more generally, accessing healthcare in this country. And this too is likely contributing to the increase in advanced stage cervical cancer among Black

"Women tend to stop going to the gynecologist when they stop having babies. And if you're not in the gynecologist's office, then you're not having pap smears," said Dr. Saenz.

And Hispanic women. "When we see advanced stage disease, it's a pretty clear indication that the patient may not have access to preventative care," said Dr. Leiserowitz. "And that's a strong indicator of the health care inequities in the United States, even with the passage of the Affordable Care Act."

Can Adults Get the HPV Vaccine? Here's What to Know—And How to Decide if It's Right for You

Signs and Symptoms of Advanced Stage Cervical Cancer

Cervical cancer may not be symptomatic in its earliest stages. According to the American Cancer Society, symptoms often do not emerge until the cancer becomes larger and grows into nearby tissue.

This is one of the primary reasons why routine screenings are critical, as pap smears and HPV testing can detect abnormal cells and diagnose cervical cancer in earlier stages or even when it is still in the precancerous phase of development and the lesions are curable, explained Dr. Saenz.

There are a number of signs and symptoms of late stage cervical cancer to be aware of, according to the American Cancer Society. They include:

- ***Vaginal bleeding***
- ***Vaginal discharge***
- ***Pain during sex***
- ***Pain in the pelvic region***

"A big common symptom is bleeding after intercourse," **Stacey Akers, MD**, division director of gynecologic oncology in the Jacobs School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences at the University at Buffalo, told *Health*. "But others include weight loss, fatigue, anemia, swelling in the legs and difficulty—or not being able—to void."

By the time an individual experiences difficulty voiding, or urinating, it is generally because a tumor has grown in the cervix and is blocking the connection between the bladder and the kidney, explained Dr. Akers.

If you experience any of these symptoms, it's important to be seen by a medical professional as soon as possible. "Go right away. It doesn't necessarily mean you have cancer, but if you have any of these symptoms you should be seen," said Dr. Akers.

"People need to make sure they listen to their body," added Dr. Akers. "If something feels out of the ordinary don't be hesitant to have it evaluated."

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Mt. Moriah 1994

Since late March, church as we traditionally know it has looked quite different, as with most churches across the United States due to the corona virus or Covid-19. Once the mandate was given (to socially distance ourselves, wash our hands frequently, wear a mask, and sanitize) to try to protect ourselves from contracting the virus, the pastor looked at other options to reach the people since we couldn't congregate in the sanctuary. Initially our services were held via telephone on Sunday mornings where we would call into a conference type set-up and listen to the message for the day. Bible study is conducted on Thursdays at 7:00 pm in this same format.

After a few weeks we began to meet at the church but in the parking lot. We stayed in our vehicles, wearing our masks as the pastor preached under a tent.

Weather permitting, we meet in the parking lot every Sunday morning beginning at 9:00 am.

(So far we haven't missed a Sunday due to inclement weather)

We pray, hear a summary of the Sunday School lesson by the Superintendent, the choir sings, an offering is lifted and we hear the Word.

We fellowship by speaking, waving at one another, or blowing our horns from our vehicles. It's not the traditional set-up that we are accustomed to but the basic necessity of worship is met.

In the midst of it all we still keep the faith. Our desire is to congregate back in the sanctuary soon. We know that God will see us through and in the end He will get the glory.

Devotion

*Call to Worship.....Minister
 *Morning Prayer.....Minister
 *Choral Response.....Choir
 *Responsive Reading #604Minister & Congregation
 Morning Hymn.....Choir
 Scripture.....Minister
 Selection.....Choir

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 *Offertory Prayer
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 Scripture Highlights Topic

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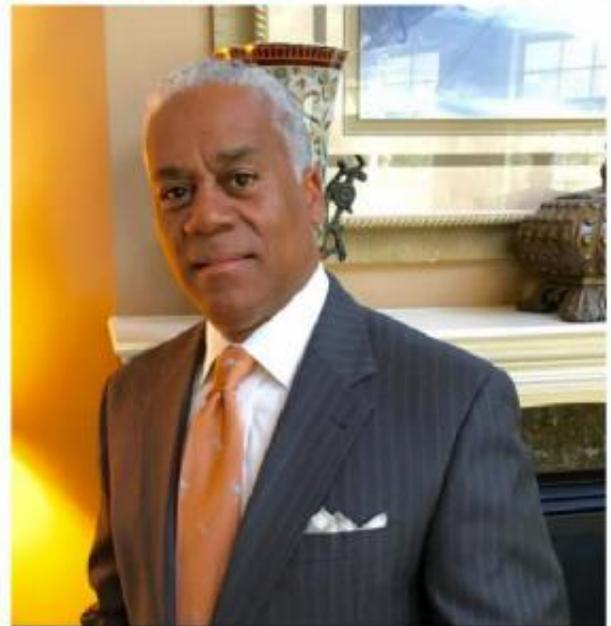
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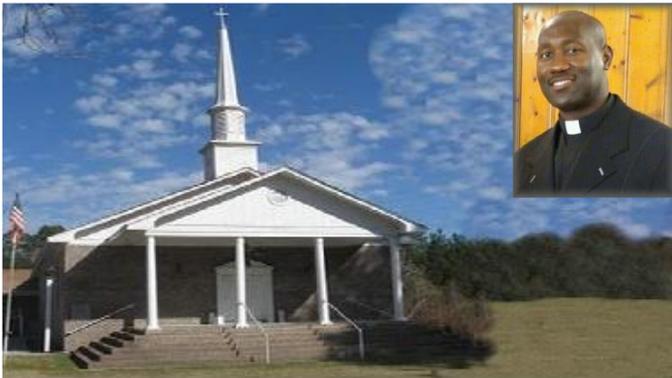
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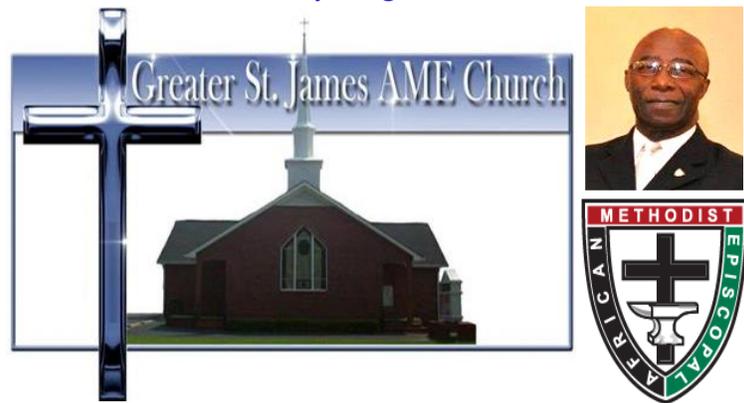


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Willie Henry Cantey

William was born on **October 1, 1947**, to the late Samuel and Louise Cantey in Latta, SC. He departed his earthly home, **August 11, 2022**. William attended Latimer High School and graduated in 1965. He served 2 years in the US army with an honorable discharge. He was



1947 - 2022

married to Letha P. Cantey and they resided in Conway, SC. Along with his parents he is preceded in death by 1 brother Samuel Allen Cantey and 1 sister Mary Cantey Smith. **He is remembered in love by his wife Letha Cantey, 2 sons, Marcus Cantey of Conway, SC, Rashad Cade of Florence, SC, 1 stepdaughter Letha Scott smith (Carlos) of Conway who was his care giver after he became ill. 5 grandchildren Quentin Greene (Latisha) of Chesapeake, VA, Nyra Scott of Greenville, SC, Lecksley Fore (George), Jamiee Scott of Columbia, SC and Kevin Lewis of Conway, SC, 8 great-grandchildren, 7 siblings brothers: Johnny Lee Cantey of Marion, SC, Larry Cantey of Charlotte, NC, sisters: Julia Lee Billiym of Columbia, SC, Beulah Kay Brantley (Oscar) of Marion, SC, Patsy Mae Watson (Alvin) of Charlotte, NC, Debria Weston (Mark) of MI, and Karen Cantey of Columbia, SC, 8 sisters in law, 6 brothers in law, his very best friend Avery Quick, and a host of nieces, nephews and relatives and friends.**



John Jackson Pryor

John Jackson Pryor was born on **August 13, 1945** to the late John Robinson Pryor and Theresa Jackson in New York City. John departed his earthly life on **Wednesday, August 17, 2022**.



1945 - 2022

John attended Rice High School and entered the U.S. Air Force in October 1964 and received an Honorable Discharge on October 15, 1970, after a 13-month tour in Viet Nam. He met Alester Linton-Pryor in 1972 and they married on April 20, 1977. Their union lasted over 50 years. In 1996 he relocated to Myrtle Beach, SC due to his wife's job transfer and Myrtle Beach became his new home. After relocation, he worked for AVX corporation until he finally retired. John is predeceased by his parents, grandparents Julius and Pauline Pryor, brother Michael Pryor and uncles, Howard, Julius, Paul, Ronnie and Bubbie. **He leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife, Alester, daughter, Alaynna Davis, son-in-law Brian, aunts: Marilyn Benta and Gertrude (Cissy) Bracey; grandchildren Michael Wallace, Briana, Brian Jr., and Benjamin Davis; sister-in-law Margaret Petza, brother-in-law Bob; sisters Marilyn and Shauntell Pryor; brother Master Pryor; adopted children Elder Tim McCray, Christina Garnes, Felisha Gadson, Tammy Bell Matthews and a host of other relatives and friends who are now family.**



Roger E. Dobbs

Roger Edward Dobbs, born to eternal life on August 9, 2022 at the age of 89. He is survived by his devoted wife Kristine Dobbs (Mittelstedt). Loving Dad of Keith (Barb) Dobbs, Kenneth (Lisa) Dobbs, Kelly (Jim) Poulakos and Lisa McIntyre.



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Beloved Grandpa to 10 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. Brother of Donald Dobbs. Preceded in death by his parents Anna and Eric, his sister Beverly and his former wife Doris. Active and quick-witted with so many special hold you lovingly in our hearts.



Rosemary Gause-Nesbit

Rose Mary Nell Gause Nesbit was born **August 8, 1949**, to the late Deacon Roy Cause and the late Emma Small Cause in Myrtle Beach, SC. She transitioned this life on **Thursday, August 4, 2022**.



1949 - 2022

She was preceded in death by three children: Priscilla A. Gause, Walter Rod Cause, and Johnathan Cause. Three brothers: Charles Cause, Roy Cause Jr., and Re. Kent Cause, one sister: Emma Nataline Grant. Rose was joined in Holy Matrimony to Rev. William Nesbit. She attended Carver Elementary School in Myrtle Beach, SC and Whittemore High School located in Conway, SC. At an early age of 13 years old, Nell accepted Jesus Christ as her personal Savior, was baptized and started her "Christian Journey" at Sandy Grove. She attended Sunday School, sung with the Junior Choir, the SV Riggins Young Adult Choir, member of the Y WA. Nell was the director for the Kingston Lake Union Choir. She was also a member of the Kingston Lake and Jerusalem Ministers Wives. She was a Past Loyal Lady Ruler of the Frank Jarvis Gore assembly #189 and a member of the Loyal Service Chapter #226 Order of the Eastern Star State of SC PHA. **She leaves to cherish precious memories to her husband, Rev. William R. Nesbit Sr, for 28 years, 2 sons: D'Angelo Cause and Robert (Aimee) Cause both of MBSC, two stepchildren: LaShawn Nesbit and William R. Nesbit Jr., one sister Carolyn G. Jackson Graham: two sisters-in-law: Juanita W. Smalls of Georgetown, SC, and Mary (John) Greene of New Haven, Ct, one brother-in-law: Roosevelt Nesbit of Lumberton, NC. 7 grandchildren: Will, Isiah and Emma Cause, Laïlah & Tyriq Cause, MiAngel Vaughn and Madison Robinson. 2 great-grandsons: Ziyamar Vaughan and Andre Dyson Jr. 5 step grandchildren: Ida Rollinson, Zaryiah Hoovers, Keondrian Morris, Angel Nesbit and William R. Nesbit III. A nephew that was like a son, Roy Cause III, a host of other loving nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends. Special friends: Royce ad Darnell Franklin, Ikea Simmons and Joey McKlvey, special parents: Deacon Luck and Rev. Essie Mae Bromell.**



Percy Lee Deshield

Percy Lee Deshield was born on **September 26, 1957**, to the late Margaret Deshields Evans and Hurley Deshields in Pocomoke City, Maryland. He departed this life on **August 30, 2022**. Percy was educated through the Pocomoke City School System. Upon



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completing his education, he enlisted in the United States Navy, where he served his country as a Ceremonial Guard. He worked in many major cities, and met the love of his life, Jeanette Aleta Carter, while employed in North Carolina. This union united in holy matrimony September 18, 1991. **He leaves to his devoted and cherished memories, a loving wife, Jeanette Deshield, Myrtle Beach, SC; two brothers, Hurley Deshields, Washington, DC, Deangelo (Verlister) Deshields, Baltimore, MD; two sisters, Annette (Curtis) Aiken, Dover, DE; Katie Corbin, Salisbury, MD; Three stepsons, Tony (Michelle) Carter, Socastee, SC; Antjuan Carter of Atlanta, GA, John (Denise) Carter, Charlotte, NC: One Uncle, Linwood Schoolfield, and two aunts, Ms. Estelle Schoolfield and Mrs. Jeanette Hayman all of Pocomoke City, MD; three nieces, two nephews, nine grandchildren, one great grand and a host of other relatives and friends.**



Mark Tidd

Mark Frederick Tidd, age 60, of Myrtle Beach SC, passed away on **Tuesday, July 26, 2022** after a battle with cancer. Mark was a loving son, brother, and father; he was an avid reader, a lover of movies, and a friend to everyone that met him. He was born on **December 22, 1961**. Mark was



1961 - 2022

preceded in death by his parents Charles R. Tidd and Ruth E. Shannon, and his stepfather Montague Shannon. **He is survived by his son Evans Tidd of Myrtle Beach SC, stepdaughter Alexandra Reilly of New Jersey, brother Charles Tidd and his wife Dawn of Simpsonville SC, sister Beth Devaney and husband John of Cartersville GA, brother David Tidd and wife Rhonda of Woodstock GA, sister Allison Williams of Tucker GA, brother Eric Tidd and wife Kate of Decatur GA, stepsister Sharon Polensek and husband Bob of Sandy Springs GA; stepmother Frances Tidd of Alpharetta GA; nieces and nephews, Chad Tidd, Nathan Tidd, Meghan Cavin, Jack Smith, Mark Smith, Luke Tidd, Brandy Blue, Zoe Tidd, and Sydney Tidd who, along with all of us, will miss their Uncle Mark.**



Carolyn McCray Hemingway

Carolyn Lucille McCray Hemingway was born **December 7, 1945**, to the late Roy, Sr., & Ella Mae McCray in Bucksport, South Carolina. She departed this life on Sunday, **August 21, 2022**. She was preceded in death by her



1945- 2022

parents Roy & Ella Mae McCray, Thomas Hemingway, Sr., and five brothers: Roy McCray, Jr., Foster McCray, Kenneth McCray, Burnett McCray and Ronnie McCray of Loris, SC *She leaves to cherish her memories and continue her legacy, Three daughters: Dechi (Antonio) Jones of Ft. Washington, MD, Thomasena (Darrell) Parker of Hawaii, Angel Hemingway of Wilmington, NC. Two sons: Michael (Gwen) Hemingway and Thomas Hemingway, Jr., both of Myrtle Beach, SC. Four sisters: Jacqueline Hunt of Temple Hills, MD, Brenda (Lonnice) Murphy of Bucksport, SC; Lydia (Paul) Anderson of Ashburn, VA; and Denise McCray of Bucksport, SC. Three brothers: Lynn (Joann) McCray of Florence, SC; and Joe (Margaret) McCray of Wilmington, NC. Two sisters-in-law: Josephine McCray of Bucksport, SC and Justine Hemingway of Georgetown, SC, One brother-in-law: Willie Hemingway of Georgetown, SC. Thirteen grandchildren, Seven great grandchildren, a host of loving nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends. Her longtime friend and Armor-bearer, Alma Moore-Jenkins of Myrtle Beach, SC.*



Edna Mae Smith

Edna Mae Smith was born on **June 21, 1938** to the union of the Late Dozier and Geneva Jones. Edna met and married Samuel Smith. To this union, five children were born, Cynthia, Freddie, Sandra, Samuel, and Priscilla. Sam and Edna started their life together on Whittemore Street in Conway. She departed this life on **August 4, 2022**. Edna was preceded in death by her husband Samuel Smith, her parents Dozier and Geneva Jones, her sisters Mae Dee Anderson, Hazel Jones, and Mildred McMillian, and her beloved brother Edward Jones and her son, Elder Fred Jones. *She leaves to cherish her memory her children Cynthia Veal (Charlotte, NC), Sandra Hickman Peters (Conway, SC), Samuel E. Smith (Spartanburg, SC), Priscilla S. Fulton (Timothy, Columbia, SC); her close grandchildren - Wardrick Reese Veal (Pam), Christopher Veal, Sean Veal, Jeannine Hamilton (David), Daniel Leith, Allen Lieth, Nathaniel Lieth, Shana Hickman Moore (Fredrick), Michael Hickman (Doris), Rushnee Luckett (Virgil) and Emmanuel Smith (Candria). And a host of great grandchildren, cousins, friends and loved ones.*

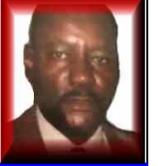


1938 - 2022



Eddie D. Williams

Eddie Dean Williams was born on **November 4, 1951** to the late Robert Lee Williams and Lunette Hunt Tucker. He went from labor to reward **August 17, 2022**. He graduated Whittemore High School in 1970. He served his country in the Vietnam war. He worked for Regal-Beloit Corporation for many years. He was preceded in death by both of his parents. *He leaves to cherish his precious memories his devoted wife Shirley. Four children, Rashawn (Harriet) Allen of Atlanta GA, Nikkia (Lynn) Washington, Daveena Washington both of Conway SC, Troy Washington of Augusta GA, Bonus daughter Tiffany (Kenya) Priest of Charlotte NC. Eight grandchildren: Kamara Washington, Kanasia Sherman, Davion Rogers, Kiarra Sherman all of Conway SC; Nariah Washington Of North Myrtle Beach, SC, Jada Myers Augusta, GA Kya'a Sherman of Conway SC, Troy Washington Jr of Augusta GA, Four sisters: Katherine Morazan and Sharon Doctor both of Conway SC, Rosemary (Charles) Gardner of Murrells Inlet, SC, Joyce (Walter) Mack of Myrtle Beach SC and Michelle (Steve) Judd of Seattle Washington. One brother: Micheal (Laurie) Williams, One aunt; Cindy B. Hunt of Conway SC and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives, and friends.*



1951- 2022



Marshella LaSane-Lewis

Mrs. Marshella Lesane Lewis was born **April 10, 1959**, in Georgetown County to the late Howard Lesane Sr., and Doris Walker Lesane. On **August 18, 2022**, Mrs. Marshella Lesane Lewis entered eternal rest. She is preceded in death by her parents, two brothers Hughey Walker and Howard Lesane Jr. Marshella received her education through Georgetown County Schools District and was a 1977 graduate of Pleasant Hill High School. *She leaves to cherish her memories her husband Mr. Eddie J. Lewis; two sons Monaque A. Lesane and Jahmal A. Lesane both of Myrtle Beach, SC. Three grandchildren; Mya D. Lesane of Hemmingway SC, Trinity D. Lesane of Georgetown SC, and Legend K. Lesane of Myrtle Beach, SC; Two sisters Lucinda Lesane of Hemmingway SC and Justina W. Lesane of Atlanta Ga; four brothers Jimmy Lesane of Spartanburg, SC; Johnny Lesane, Eugene Lesane, and Kenneth E. Lesane all of Hemmingway SC. Several nieces, nephews, cousin, and friends.*



1959 - 2022



CeAnn McCray Spivey

Sister Ceann McCray-Spivey departed this life on **Wednesday, August 3rd, 2022**. Ceann was born on **June 5, 1966** to the Late Isiah & Fronie Mae McCray in Conway, SC. She was the second child of four born to this union. Ceann received her education in the Horry County public school system of Conway, SC Ceann moved to Myrtle Beach, SC where she raised her daughters and attended Sandy Grove Missionary Baptist Church, under the leadership of the late Rev. Fred Johnson/ Pastor Shawn L. Johnson. Ceann was well-loved in her community, always willing to open her doors to help others, loved playing bingo and raising her dogs (CoCo Chanel & Blondie Rose). *Ceann leaves to cherish her fond memories & love Daughters: Freda McCray, of Myrtle Beach, SC; Cierra (Special Son Paul) Clayton of Orlando, FL Isha McCray, of Myrtle Beach, SC; Bonus Children: Jaime Spivey, of Myrtle Beach, SC, Shaquille Gore, of Myrtle Beach, SC; Siblings: Oneil McCray, of Conway, SC; Valeria McCray, of Charlotte, NC, Stephanie McCray, of Conway, SC; Aunts & Uncle; Selena (JP) Pryor of Myrtle Beach, SC Sarah (Trenton) Ford of Conway, SC.*



1966 - 2022



LaShanda Nicole Kinlaw

LaShanda Nicole Kinlaw Elmore, was born in Conway, South Carolina on **October 7, 1990** to the late Malcolm "Mack" Kinlaw, Sr., and Bobbie Jean Brown of Conway, South Carolina. She departed this life on **August 20, 2022**. LaShanda was educated at Conway High School. LaShanda resided in Conway where she passed away after a long-time battle with her illness. In her short life she became the wife to the love of her life, Mr. John Elmore and a mother to her precious daughter, Jon'Asia Elmore. Preceded LaShanda Kinlaw Elmore in death, her grandparents: Inez and Bennie Eaddy, Horace & Aliceteen Kinlaw, uncles: Tommy Kinlaw, J.C. McCray, Bubba Kinlaw; aunts: Christine Kinlaw, Albertha McMillan and her brother, Malcolm Kinlaw, Jr. *She leaves to cherish her memories, her husband John, daughter Jon'Asia of the home; mother Bobbie Jean Brown, sisters: DeAnne Kinlaw of the home, Halestine Kinlaw of Delaware; brothers: Malcolm (Patricia) Duff, Michael (Lafonia) of Delaware and Andrew (Tashana) Kinlaw of South Carolina. A few best friends, Tiffany, Christina and Trish; and, also a host of family and friends.*



1990 - 2022



Lula Mishoe Nelson

Lula Mishoe Nelson was born **June 7, 1926** in the Bucksport Community of Conway, South Carolina to the late Boston and Beulah (Rawls) Mishoe. Lula received her early education in Conway, South Carolina. She departed this life on **August 16, 2022**. Lula's spiritual roots were planted and nourished at Salem AME Church, in Conway. Lula graduated from Whittemore High School in 1946. Following her graduation, Lula relocated to Queens, New York to further her education becoming a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN). Lula met and married Joseph L. Nelson of Charleston, South Carolina in 1950. She devoted 61 years of love and partnership until his death in 2011. From this union, three children were born; Brenda, Kenneth, and Dale. Lula is preceded in death by her parents, Boston and Beulah Mishoe; Her husband, Joseph; 2 daughters, Brenda and Dale, 1 son, Kenneth, 4 grandchildren, Albert, Akil, William and Lamont, 7 sisters, and 3 brothers. **Lula is survived by 1 great grandson Tyler Nelson of Ft. Mill, SC; 2 sisters: Helen (Dock) Hunt, of Conway, SC; Jessie (Lonzell) Graham of Mauldin, SC; 1 son-in-law Walter Howard of Savannah, GA; a bonus son Sidney Nelson of Charleston, SC, 1 brother in-law; Author Jones of Lanham, MD, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.**



1926 - 2022



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Tracey Allen Gibson

On **August 23, 2022**, **Tracey Allen Gibson** departed his life in Camden, South Carolina. Tracey was the son of the late Mr. Thomas Gibson and Mrs. Helen M. Gibson. He was born on **January 1, 1969** in Loris, SC. Tracey attended Loris High School. Tracey is preceded in death by his father, Thomas Gibson; two sisters: Mae Thelma Gibson and Bertha Bellamy; two brothers: Linwood Gibson and Reverend Jimmy Gibson. **Tracey leaves to cherish in loving memories five children: La'Troy Brown, Tracey Nichole Hemingway, Justin Wilson, Ursula (Anthony) Wilson-Vereen, Tracey Wilson; grandchildren: Antanyiah Vereen-Wilson, Ayden Vereen and Aaliyah Wilson; a devoted mother, Mrs. Helen M. Gibson; two sisters: Helena Gibson of Longs, SC, Lena (Robbie) Berkley of Little River, SC; two brothers: Tomie (Rose) Gibson and Elder Troy Gibson of Longs, SC; two uncles: Shack (Eunice) Valentine and Ronnie Gibson of Loris, SC; a sister-in-law, Barbara Gibson of Woodbridge, VA; god-mothers, Evangelist Nina Grissett and Eunice Valentine; god-sisters, Evangelist Dora Willard, Evangelist Ashonda Wilson, and Ms. Chynthia Grate; one special cousin, Stephanie Valentine of Atlanta, Ga and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.**



1969 - 2022



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Milton A. Harriotte

Mr. Milton A. (Harriott) Harriotte was born the son of the late Sheadrick Harriott and Thelma Golden Chu Sarvis Harriott. He was born **June 20, 1948**, in Conway, South Carolina. He departed this life on **August 23, 2022**. He graduated from Whittemore "Bulldogs" High school, Class of 1966. He entered the U.S. Army in 1967. He received an Honorable Discharge 1971 after a 13-month tour in Vietnam. He married his high school sweetheart Josephine Shepard, and to this union a beautiful baby girl was born that they cherished. Milton was preceded in death by six brothers; Frank Owens, Isaac Harriotte, Willie Sarvis, Cheadrick Harriotte Jr, Cornelius Sarvis and James Sarvis, two sisters Ruthie McCoy and Mary Miller; one great-grandson Tu'Cari J. Harriotte. **He leaves to cherish his memory; his former wife Josephine Harriotte of Conway, SC, One daughter Vonetta (Corey) Harriotte- Brantley of Conway, SC, two grandsons PFC Quavone (Amber) Harriotte of Ft. Stewart, GA and Tyriq (Alexia) Harriotte, two great-grandsons Ny'Mik Harriotte of Conway/Loris, SC and Giannis Harriotte of Ft. Stewart, GA., five sister in laws; Gwendolyn Sarvis of Conway, SC, Mary Sarvis of Columbia, SC, Nina Harriotte of Ft. Lauderdale, FL, Joann Bennett and Bertha Pittman, both of Brooklyn, NY, two brother in laws; Michael Bennett of Brooklyn, NY and David Shepard of Conway, SC, and a host of nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.**



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Curtis Edward Thomas

Curtis E. Thomas of Winter Springs FL, passed away peacefully on **Tuesday August 9th, 2022**. Curtis a South Carolina native was born on **September 16, 1963** to the late William Aubrey and Rosa Nell (Jordan) Thomas. He Graduated from the University of SC with a master's in education and spent most of his life educating the youth in the Orlando Florida public school system and Jacksonville University in Jacksonville FL. His quiet spirit, kindness, compassion, and enthusiasm for life will be greatly missed. He was kind, humble, compassionate, smart and gave all he had to the profession of teaching and always hoped he was making a difference in a students's life. **Survivors include his siblings, William Earl Thomas (Tampa FL), Cassandra Linnen (Georgetown, SC), Demetria Thomas (Tampa FL), Webster Thomas (Myrtle Beach SC), three nephews: Jarrelle Linnen, Jermaine Thomas, and Brandon Thomas and a host of relatives and friends who loved him dearly.**



1963 - 2022



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Dorothy Ann Johnson

Sister Dorothy Ann Johnson was born on **March 13, 1954**. She was the oldest of nine children born to Bernice Huggins and the late Leroy Huggins. She departed this life on **Thursday, July 28, 2022**. Her daughter, Rosas Robinson and two brothers preceded her in death. **Dorothy leaves to cherish her fond memories: her husband, Johnnie Johnson of Aynor, SC; her son Jammie Weaver of Conway, SC; three sisters; Margaret Manning of Conway, SC, Geneve Gee of Aynor, SC, and Deloris Huggins of Aynor, SC; Three brothers; Elder Johnnie Lee Robinson (Deborah) of Conway, SC, the late Herbert Lee Robinson and Leroy Sylvester Huggins and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins, and friends.**



1954 - 2022



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Franklin McCray

Brother Franklin McCray was born on **November 18, 1954**. He was the son of Mr. Otis Stevenson, Sr. and the late Ms. Hannah McCray. He was a graduate of North Myrtle Beach High School, Class of 1974. Franklin married the former Audrey Elaine Chestnut on December 17, 1978. To this union one daughter was born, Cheyneaqua R. McCray. **Left to cherish his memories are his wife, Audrey Elaine: McCray; his daughter, Ms. Cheyneaqua R. McCray; his father. Mr. Otis Stevenson Sr: his sisters; Ms. SeviaI Goings, Mrs. Elouise Cash, Ms. Louise Green and Mrs. Sadie (Paul) Gabriel; his brothers Mr. Otis (Clementine) Stevenson, Jr., Mr. Eddie (Gwen) Stevenson and Mr. Cleveland Stevenson: his sisters-in-law, Mrs. Angie Gore, Mrs. Ruby (Curven) Chestnut, Ms. Kathy Chestnut, Ms. Ida Chestnut, Ms. Murlean Chestnut and Ms. Leila Chestnut; brother-in-law, Mr. Curt is L. Vereen; he was a father image to several of his nieces and nephews; Mrs. Ganya (Jamie) Gillings, Ms. Dana Chestnut, Ms. Jameka Goings, Ms. Patrice Goings, Ms. Alexis Gore, Mr. Brent Bennett, Mr. Lee Grant Gore III, Mr. Derrell (Michelle) Stevenson, Mr. Earl (Latisha) Chestnut, Mr. Bryon Chestnut, Mr. Curtis Vereen and Mr. Jemar Chestnut; a host of other nieces and nephews. Franklin departed this life on Monday, **August 8, 2022**. He is preceded in death by his mother, Ms. Hannah McCray; his Father-in-law and mother-in-law, Mr. Clio Chestnut and Mrs. Eunice Chestnut; one brother, Mr. Lee Grant Gore, Jr; brother-in-law, Mr. John L. Moore; sister-in-law, Mrs. Lorie A Vereen; his friends, Mr. John Rhodes and Mr. Melton (Foxy) Gore.**



1954- 2022



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Joseph Powell

Sammie Gause

Jerry L. Smith Jr.

On May 22, 1938, God blessed the late Lacy Powell and the late Gecholia Cherry Powell with a son, **Joseph Lewis Powell**. Joe attended Hallsboro Elementary School, where he was the life of the classroom. Joe graduated from Artesia High School in 1956. On February 25, 1960, Joe was joined in holy matrimony to Ethel Bell (Bunch) Smith, and to this union, 5 children were born. He departed this life on **August 5, 2022**. Joe loved his family, and *he leaves to cherish his precious memories, one (1) daughter, Sharon Mohammed, three (3) sons, Michael, Donnell (Toni), and Gary (Debra), two (2) sons preceded him in death, Bernard and Andre', three (3) sisters, Swannie P Wright, Arlene P Waterman and Dale (Buzz) Hargrove, eight (8) sisters-in-law – Mavis C Powell, Ruby Powell, Esther S Morse, Arvella M Smith, Shirley T Smith, Helen D Smith, Clara V. Smith, and Evelyn S Booker, four brothers-in-law, Roy L Smith, Lee W Booker, Ervin Smith, and Jerome Smith, eight (8) grandchildren...Andrea, Aanisah, Isaiah, Xavier, Mia, Marissa, Garrett (Sarah), and Nicole , two (2) great-grandchildren Garrett Jr and Donte', and a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.*



1938 - 2022

Sammie L Gause age 76, entered into eternal rest on **Aug.25, 2022** after a brief illness. Sammie was born on **May 11, 1946** in Conway SC son of the late Elroy and Lula Bell Gause. He was a graduate of the Chestnut High School in North Myrtle Beach SC .class of 1964. In 1965 he moved to New Haven CT. He worked at several manufacturing places from 1965 thru 2010 and had to retired due to health issues. He was married in 1968 to Mary Green and they were blessed with one child. He later divorced and never remarried. *Sammie was predeceased by his parents, and brothers Charlie, Paul, Calvin, William, Elijah and Barry Gause, four sisters Martha Ann Vereen, Lula E Cox, Magdalene Jolley and Nancy Patterson. He leaves to cherish great memories his daughter Tonya Gause and three brothers David Gause(Dawn) of Conyers Ga, James Peter Gause of New Haven Ct. and Floyd Gause of Trenton NJ., and five sisters Betty Scott, Alma Meyers, Thelma Gause, Helen Keel and Beverly Gause all of Longs, SC. Two sisters in law Ann Gause of Fayetteville NC and Glorestine Gause of Hamden CT. and a brother in law Roscoe Patterson of Boston MA and a host of nephews, nieces and close friends.*



1946 - 2022

Jerry Lendell Smith, Jr. of Conway, SC passed away peacefully at his home on **August 31, 2022**. Jerry was born **November 10, 1966** to Jerry L. Smith, Sr. and the late Rosetta Scott Smith. He was preceded in death by his brother, Barry Nelson Smith, and son, Jerry Smith. When Jerry was younger, he found God at an early age. He graduated from Conway High School. He worked as a truck driver for an extended period, and then he proceeded to Waste Industries for over 9 years. *Jerry Lendell Smith, Jr. is survived by his two sons, Jerry Smith III, Cornelius Smith; three daughters: Whitney Smith, Amber Smith and Jermila Smith; two son he raised Christopher and Zachary; father, Jerry L. Smith, Sr; grandchildren: Jaina, Rylan, TJ, Tyonna, Alaina, Layla, Charles, A'miya, Lilly, and Trenton; siblings: Tyrone Smith (Debbie), Carolyn Smith, Wanda Carter (Warren), Arietta Smith, all of Conway, SC, Larissa Phillips (Sofonias), Columbia SC, and Aves (Lisa) Smith, Columbia, SC; a special niece, Tara Jean Smith; and a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews and friends*



1966 - 2022



Vondell (Von) Roberts

Deacon James Grissette

Vondell (Von) Roberts was born on **June 7, 1952** to JR Roberts and Fannie Thompson Roberts. He departed this life on **August 26, 2022**. Vondell attended Terrells Bay High School. He later met and married Rose Marie pierce Roberts of Aynor, SC. To this union they have two daughters; Sherry Goodman Roberts and Freida Roberts, both of Aynor, SC. *He was also blessed with three more children; son, Dominic Finklea, Tiffany Roberts an Kelly Roberts, all of Marion, SC; three stepchildren: Peggy Pierce, Aynor, SC; Wit and Dwan, Marion, SC; fourteen grandchildren, six great-grands; five sisters: Flora Wilson, Conway, SC; Mary Alice McCall (Woodlun), Latta, SC; Albertine Felder, Columbia, SC; Odessie Davis, Evergreen, NC; Ruby Alston, Maryland; four sisters-in-laws: Hazel Gee (Sammie), Nelline Holmes (George), Jessie Glenn, all of Florida; Darlene Thompson, Rains, SC; four brothers-in-law: Truman Pierce (Sarah), Melvin Pierce, and Robert Pierce, all of Aynor, SC; Woodlun McCall (Mary Alice). A friend Carrie and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.*



1952 - 2022

Deacon James Grissette was born **April 27, 1952** in Conway, South Carolina. "Poodie" as he was fondly called was the son of Mr. James Crawford and the late Ms. Margie Grissett. Poodie was preceded in death by his mother Margie, his son Clinton, and brother Leaulter. He attended Horry County public schools, and was a retired veteran of the US Army. At an early age he joined the Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church. He received his degree in culinary arts and business management, and was an entrepreneur with his own trucking company, he was a notary and the list goes on. He entered into his eternal rest on **August 11, 2022** at his home. Poodie was a husband, father, son, brother, uncle, grandpa and friend to many. *He leaves to cherish everlasting memories with his wife Janis and their blended family of 17 children: Mike (Jane), Amber, James, Brandon (Chasity), Pepsi-Cola, Jessica, Tacey, Jason, KenShalla, Tanya (Dominick) Henry Jr, Lakeshia, Kyanna, ZaShareia, Shymirra, and Tiyanna. His father James O Crawford, three sisters; Twona (Harry), Alice, and Sherry (Brian) and one sister in law Patricia; six brothers, Randow (Patricia), James (Terry), Thomas Lee (Yvette), James III, COL. Kevin (Katrina) and his honorary brother Ronald. Poodie has three uncles; Chief (Robin), Harry, and Arthur. He is blessed with many grands, great grands, nieces, and nephews.*



1952 - 2022



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