



Special Tributes



We have lost the following family members and friends since the 2016 Family Reunion:

Corrie Bell Samuel “Sug” – (See Obituary below on pages 3 and 4)

She was the daughter of the late Deacon Burney and the late Corrie Bell Thorn Samuel

Eleana Brown Whitaker

She was the sister of Cousin Dot Samuel and the sister-in-law of the late Charlie Samuel

R. Elizabeth Samuels

She was the wife of the late Reverend Dr. Aaron Burnson Samuels, Sr.

Joseph N. Salmon “Abe”

Son of the late Elais and Alberta Marbley Samuels

Rogers Melvin Thomas, Jr.

Husband of Sheila Thomas and son of Deloris Smith and grandson of Aunt Leo Samuel

Audrey Samuel Harris

Daughter of Cousin Leo and the Late Jerry Samuel

Charles M. Samuel

Edward Charles Samuel’s son

Earl T. Jackson

Annie Love’s Brother

Saundra Bennett

A close friend of Josephine and a frequent attendee and supporter of our reunions

Charlie Salmon

Grandson of Grandpa Charlie and son of William Samuel

Elder Hurey Coleman

Donna Coleman's Husband

To the Bereaved Families:

On behalf of the Samuel Family, our deepest sympathies go out to you and your family. May God give you the comfort and peace that you seek and may the love of family and the support of friends help you through these difficult times.

¹Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

John 14:1-3



Corrie Bell Samuel

“Sug”

Obituary

Corrie Bell Samuel, affectionately known as “Sug”, was born on March 22, 1938 to the late Deacon Burney and the late Corrie Bell Thorn Samuel in Liberty Hill, SC. Although the Mid-Wife stated March 22nd as the date of her birth, her mother said she was born on April 21, 1938. She had the good fortune to celebrate 2 birthdays.

Sug accepted Christ at an early age at her home church, St. John Baptist Church. She was an active member in Sunday School, the Junior Choir, and Bible Class. She was educated in the Kershaw County School System.

In 1957, she relocated to Bridgeport, CT and became a member of Mount Aery Baptist Church. She continued her spiritual growth working with the youth of the church and being a member of the Senior Usher Board. After departing Mount Aery, she became a Charter Member of the New Hope Missionary Baptist Church in Bridgeport, CT where she continued her Servant's Heart working with the Children's Choir, being an active member of the Senior Usher Board, and helping where needed in Sunday School. She was a faithful member until her health began to decline in 2016.

During her 50 years in Connecticut, Sug was employed for the Board of Education, WE Transport, Inc., and as a domesticated worker.

It's said, "Home is where the Heart is". Aside from moving back home for a spell when her father passed to care for her mother, Sug spent frequent vacations in Liberty Hill and Fort Mill visiting with family and friends and going fishing. It was no wonder that she chose to "come back" to the home of her heart for her final resting place. Sug transitioned from earth to reward on the afternoon of Thursday, April 23, 2020. Having spent the last 4 ½ years as the last of 10 children born (2 children died after childbirth) to her parents, God beckoned her to reunite with her immediate family once again. Her work was done.

In addition to her parents and siblings, Sug was predeceased by 3 nephews, Martin Samuel, Rueben Cunningham, and Clifford S. Cunningham; 1 Brother-In-Love, Clifford Cunningham; 2 Sisters-In-Love, Estelle Samuel and E. Ruth Samuel; and her Best Friend, Esther Gomes. She leaves to mourn a Special Friend, Arthur Freeman; 16 Nieces and Nephews who were like her children; Surrogate Grandchildren, Great Nieces Alexis, Domonique, and Crystal Jackson; Special Cousins, Dorothy Samuel, Ollie Thorn, and Jerry Thorn for their extensive hospitality; Adopted Family, Family of Frank and Carrie Jackson; a host of Great and Great Great Nieces and Nephews, cousins, friends, and loved ones.

" Family, and Friends that became Family, is all we have. I love all of you."

~ Corrie B. Samuel "Sug" ~

I was weak and weary, I had gone astray, walking in the darkness, I could not find my way. Then a light came shining to lead me from despair, made all my sins forgiven, and I was free from care. I found the answer, I learned to pray, oh with faith to guide me, I've found the way. The sun is shining for me each day, I found the answer, and I learned to pray. I was sad and lonely, all my hopes were gone, days were long and dreary, I couldn't carry on. Then I found the courage to keep my head up high, once again I'm happy, and here's the reason why. I found the answer, I learned to pray, oh with faith to guide me, I've found the way. The sun is shining for me each day, I found the answer, and I learned to pray. Keep your Bible with you, read it every day, always count your blessings and always stop to pray. Learn to keep believing and faith will see you thro', seek to know contentment, and it will come to you. I found the answer, I learned to pray, oh with faith to guide me, I've found the way. The sun is shining for me each day, I found the answer, and I learned to pray.

~ Mahalia Jackson - I Found the Answer



Eleana B. Whitaker

Sunrise: January 16, 1934

Sunset: May 6, 2019



R. Elizabeth Samuels

Sunrise: January 25, 1941

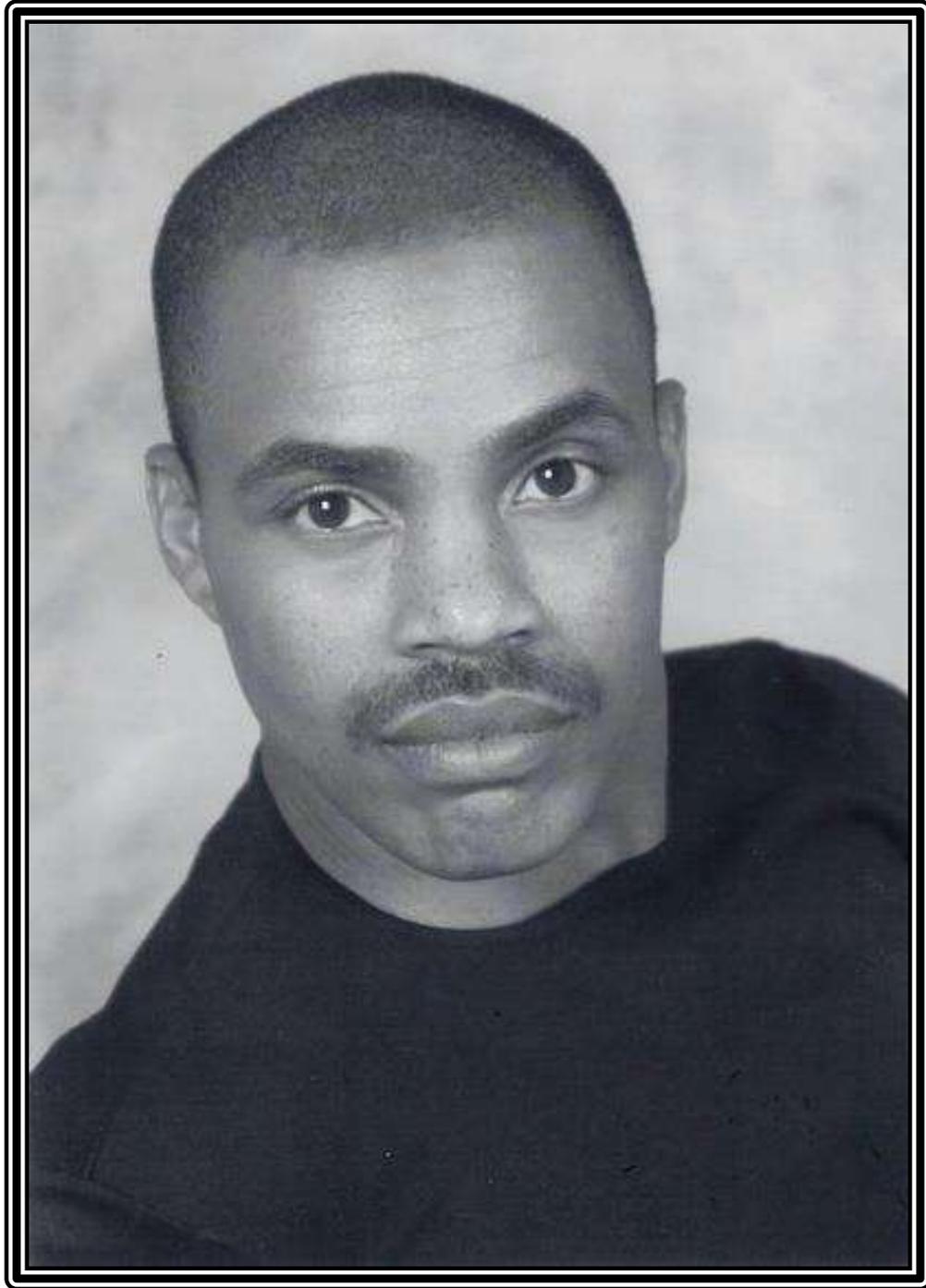
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Joseph N. Salmon “Abe”

Sunrise: October 14, 1936

Sunset: April 2, 2019



Rogers Melvin Thomas, Jr.

Sunrise: August 14, 1966

Sunset: September 11, 2018



Audrey Samuel Harris

Sunrise: May 17, 1951

Sunset: July 16, 2018



Charles M. Samuel

Sunrise: January 7, 1971

Sunset: April 29, 2018

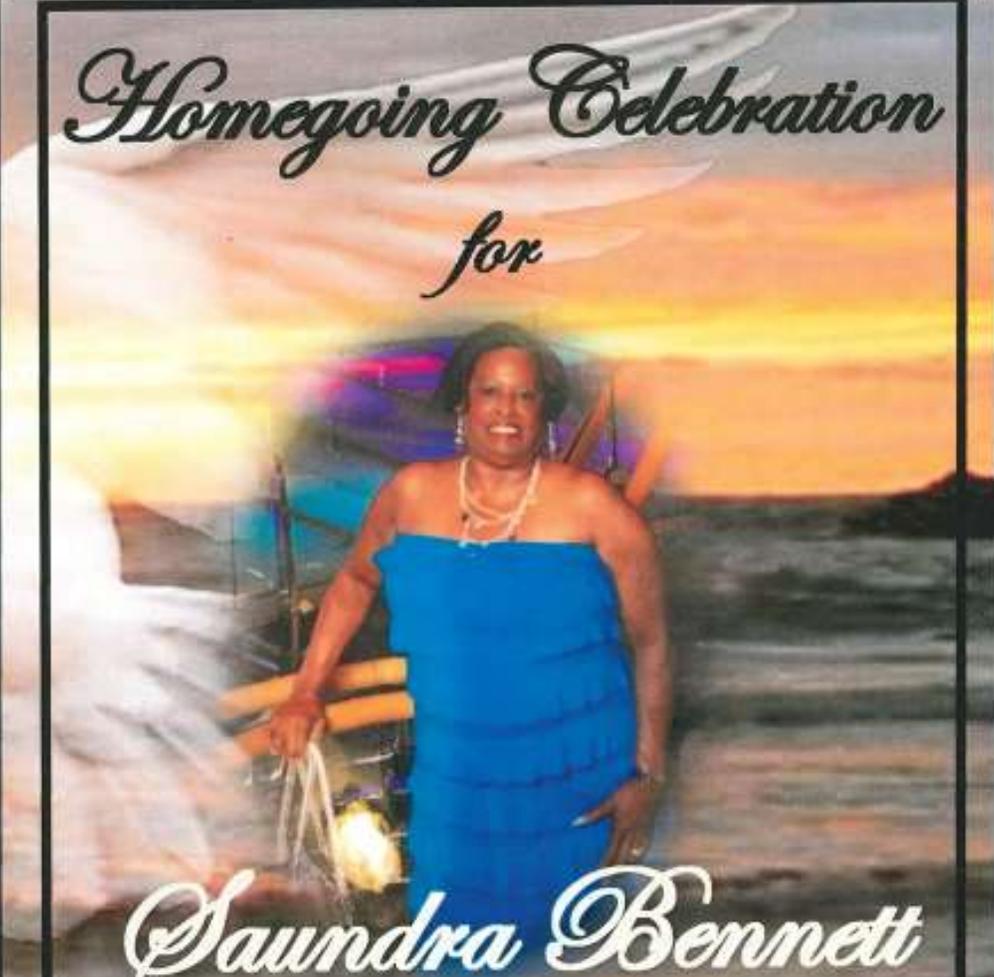


Earl T. Jackson

Sunrise: December 15, 1948

Sunset: November 11, 2017

Homegoing Celebration
for



Sandra Bennett

Sunrise...
October 25, 1946

...Sunset
August 13, 2017

Viewing: Friday, August 18, 2017

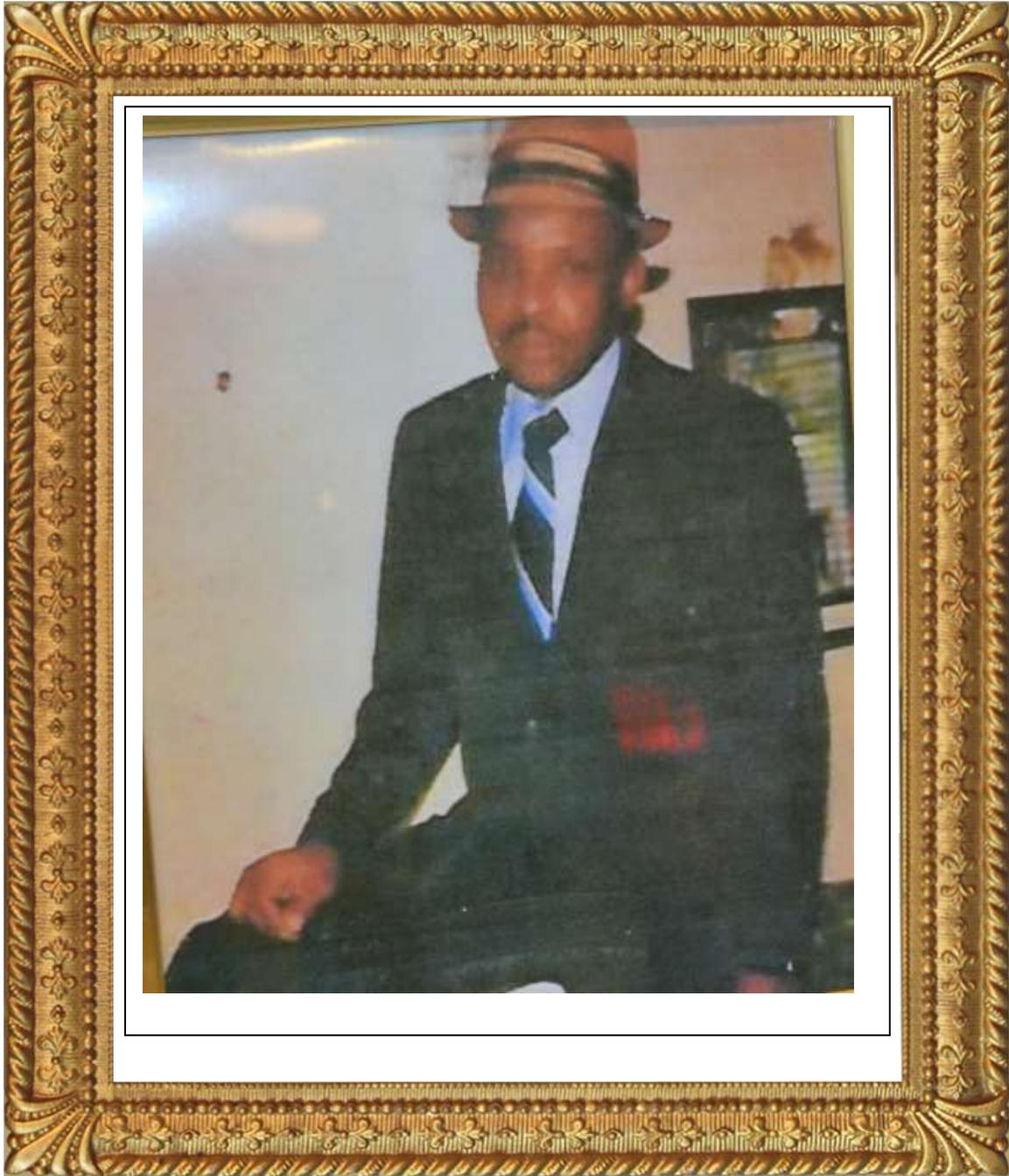
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Service: Saturday, August 19, 2017

10:00AM

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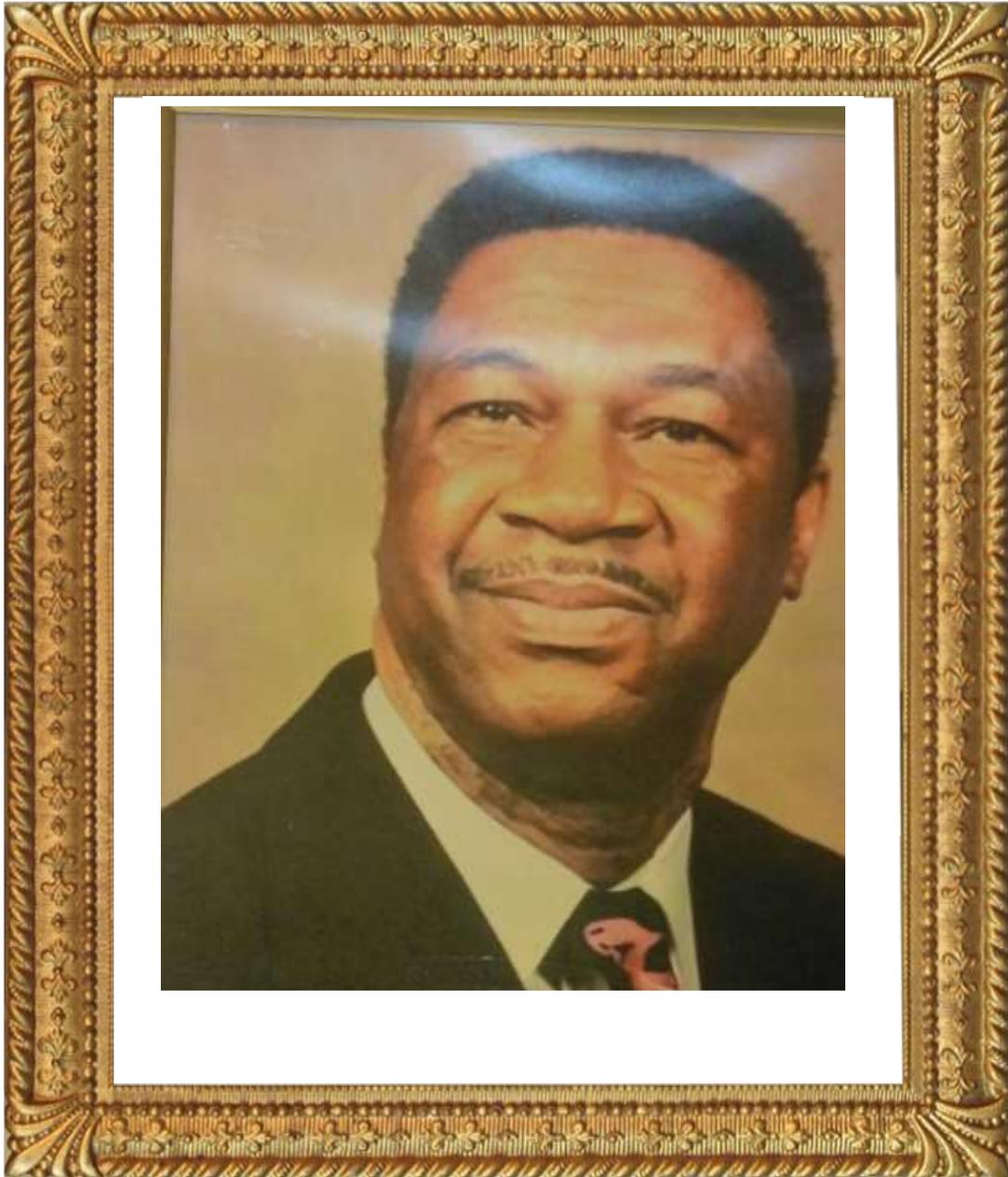
Rev. Louis Giles, Officiating Pastor
Rev. Victor Little, Assistant Pastor



Charlie Salmon

Sunrise: June 28, 1928

Sunset: November 15, 2016



Elder Hurey Coleman

Sunrise: December 6, 1941

Sunset: December 15, 2016