

BETHESDA A. M. E. ZION CHURCH
MINNSBORO, SOUTH CAROLINA
Rev. P. P. Smith, Pastor

2:00 O'CLOCK P. M.
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1992



MR. JOHN MICHAEL "MIKE" ALEXANDER

FOR

FUNERAL SERVICES



ORDER OF SERVICE

Rev. P. P. Smith, Officiating

THE PRELUDE.....Organist

PROCESSIONAL AND VIEWING

HYMN.....Choir
"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

SCRIPTURE.....Old Testament Rev. P. P. Smith
New Testament

PRAYER

SOLO.....Mrs. Marlise Hendrix

EULOGY.....Rev. Smith

HYMN.....Choir
"Sweet Hour of Prayer"

RECESSIONAL

THE POSTLUDE.....Organist

INTERMENT

Manigault Memorial Cemetery

BENEDICTION

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PALLBEARERS

Samuel Holmes
Ernest Harrison
Keith Sampson
Thomas L. Kelly

John Kelly
Billy Mobley
James Holmes
Richard Holmes

FLORAL BEARERS

Ladies of the
Church



A LIFE BEGINS
1948

A LIFE ENDS
1992

O B I T U A R Y

I am weary and I must leave you for a little while. But please don't fret "For I am in a strait betwixt two. Having a desire to depart and to be with Christ, which is far better....."
Philippians 1:23

John Michael (Mike) Alexander went home to be with God on January 26, 1992. He was born January 29, 1948.

He attended Fairfield County Public Schools and graduated from Fairfield High School in May 1969. He was a member of Bethesda A. M. E. Zion Church.

Mike was a son, a brother and a friend. His memories will be cherished in the hearts of all his family always.

He leaves with loving memories a son, Michael Alexander of Yonkers, NY; his mother, Mrs. Helen Alexander of Winnsboro; two sisters, Mrs. Mae Donia (Willie) Tucker of Blackstone, VA and Mrs. Bernice (Sam) Marion of Atlanta, GA; three brothers, Bernard (Denise) and Harold (Jessie Mae) Alexander, all of Winnsboro, and Gordon (Janie) Alexander of Irmo, SC; his grandmother, Mrs. Mattie Alexander of Winnsboro; one Uncle, Mr. Waycaster Alexander of Winnsboro; three Aunts, Mrs. Clara Gaither and Ms. Louise Alexander, both of Winnsboro and Mrs. Mattie Mae Sims of Baltimore, MD; three nieces; five nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.



You were with us yesterday and today you're gone away. You left us with only memories of you and we don't know what to do. We love you with all our hearts; now grief is tearing us apart. God watched you from above and took you home to share His love. We thank God for the years He shared you with us. We think of you each and every day and all the things you used to say.

Goodbye "Mike," we'll meet again someday.

Your Mother, Son,
Brothers and Sisters

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Family of "Mike" wishes to express sincere thanks for all expressions of kindness and comfort through the telephone calls, visits, cards and any other acts of kindness.

"I Am Free"

*Don't grieve for me - For now I'm free
I'm following the path God laid for me
I took His hand when I heard Him call
I turned my back and left it all
I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work, or play
Tasks left undone must stay that way
I've found that peace at the close of day
If my parting has left a void
Then fill it with remembered joy
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss
Ah yes, these things I, too, will miss
Be not burdened with times of sorrow
I wish the sunshine of tomorrow
My life's been full, I've savored much
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief
Don't lengthen it now with undo grief
Lift up your heart and share with me
God wants me now.
He set me FREE!*

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