

John Ashley

WINNSBORO - John Ashley, 63, died March 5.

Services conducted by the Rev. Etheridge, were held March 9 at Mt. Zion A.M.E. Church.

Burial followed in the church cemetery.

Pallbearers were Willie Trap

Johnny Lyles, Ernest Manning, Larry Buff, Tommy Plair; and James Jeter.

Born June 12, 1935 in Fairfield County, he was the son of the late Claude and Launa Mobley Ashley.

He was retired and had a church membership at Mt. Zion A.M.E. Zion Church.

Survivors include a devoted friend, Betty Jo Robinson, sons, James (Doris) Jeter, and Victor Jeter of Winnsboro, sisters, Rebecca Ray of Pelion, Earlene Parnell, Earnestine (Bill) Ruff, of Hartford, Ct., foster-step children, Denise Alexander, Terease (Craig) Dubard, Barbara (Lynn Tony) Young, Bradley Joe Robinson, John Alvin (Charlene) Robinson, all of Winnsboro, other survivors include sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, and a host of nieces and nephews, cousins and other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his wife; Essie Jeter Ashley, one sister, Lorine Ashley Jeter; and two brothers, Robert McDanie and Ernest Ashley.

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Glover's Memorial Funeral Home was in charge.



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Some people go to college to prepare for a job. Some go to have more options in the field they are already working in. For Judith Murphy, it was a mixture.

Being one of the first four people who participated in the Fairfield School Board's pilot program of "growing their own teachers" she was faced with a variety of options as she completed her Bachelor of Arts degree in Elementary Education.

It all wasn't easy, though. In addition to going to college and doing homework that follows, the women juggled their continuing work with the school district, as well as their responsibilities to their families.

Murphy can attest to that.

"At first the classes were held here in Fairfield County, at either Fairfield Intermediate School or Fairfield Central High School, with teachers coming from [South Carolina] State and teaching the classes here. That was really convenient for us," said Murphy.

"The last four semesters, however, we had to travel to the University to take classes. That was three nights out of the week, and