



### PALLBEARERS

Arthur Thompson, Jr.	Christopher R. Palmer
James Gadsden, Jr.	Ben Heyward
Troy White	Ronnie Mack

### HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Peter Heyward	Freddie Wilson
Charles Gadsden	Bobby Gadsden
Earl Gadsden	

### FLORAL BEARERS

Friends of the family

### IN APPRECIATION

The family of the late  
**ELIJAH "MINK" WILSON**  
 is grateful for all expressions of love, kindness, and  
 comfort shown during the passing of our loved one. May  
 the joy, peace and love of God always embrace you.

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HOME-GOING  
 SERVICE FOR  
**ELIJAH "Mink" WILSON**

SEPTEMBER 15, 1958 – MARCH 1, 2026

Saturday, March 7, 2026 | 11:00 A.M.

O. Allen Gethers Jr. Memorial Chapel  
 200 Grace Street | Moncks Corner, SC

*Apostle Dr. Norman Armstrong, Presiding*



# THE OBITUARY

Elijah “Mink” Wilson, 67, of Moncks Corner, South Carolina, entered into eternal rest on March 1, 2026, after a brief illness.

Born on September 15, 1958, in Moncks Corner, SC, Elijah was the beloved son of the late James Wilson and Eva Mae Heyward Gadsden. He was educated in the Berkeley County School System and remained a lifelong resident of the community he loved so dearly.

Affectionately known as “Mink,” Elijah was a familiar and cherished presence in the West End Community. He was employed as a Maintenance Helper at Lions Beach and later worked as a Gas Attendant Clerk at Peagler Enterprise. In every role, he was known for his dedication, reliability, and warm, welcoming spirit.

For nearly 30 years, Mink faithfully hosted his Annual Easter Egg Hunt, a treasured tradition in the West End Community that brought together hundreds of children and adults each year. What started as a simple act of kindness grew into a beloved community celebration that created lasting memories for generations. His commitment to bringing joy to others was a true reflection of his generous heart.

Elijah had a passion for music and enjoyed being a DJ, providing the soundtrack for many gatherings and celebrations. He also took pride in cutting grass with his weed eater, a hobby that reflected his hardworking nature and love for keeping his surroundings neat and beautiful. He was especially known for his signature style — rarely seen without his cowboy hat and boots — which became a part of his identity and added to his unmistakable presence wherever he went.

He was well loved by all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by his siblings Patricia Heyward, James Wilson Jr., and Alfred Gadsden.

He leaves to cherish his fond memories: a loving and caring brother, with whom he shared a home for over 30 years, Peter Heyward; siblings, Corine Thompson (Dale), Freddie Wilson (Barbara), Charles Gadsden (Jamela), Samantha Gadsden Carter (Ron), Bobby Gadsden, and Earl Gadsden (Virginia); childhood friends who were like siblings growing up, Ernest “Bucky” Smith and Anthony “Puddin” Richardson; and a host of aunts, nephews, nieces, cousins, extended family, and dear friends.

Elijah “Mink” Wilson’s legacy of love, kindness, community service, and unforgettable style will forever live on in the hearts of those who were blessed to know him.

## IN MEMORY OF *Mink*

For nearly thirty years, with a generous heart,  
Mink gathered the community to play its part.  
With baskets and laughter spread across the land,  
He brought Easter joy with a caring hand.

What began as kindness grew year after year,  
Creating memories many still hold dear.  
Though he’s gone from our sight, his love still lives on—  
In the smiles of the children and the joy he passed

# ORDER OF SERVICE

*Apostle Dr. Norman Armstrong, Presiding*

**PROCESSIONAL**  
Ministers & Family

**OPENING HYMN**  
Musician Jerome Carter

**PRAYER**  
Old Testament: Psalms 23  
New Testament: John 14:1-6

**SOLO**  
Bro. Terrell Palmer

**REMARKS (3 MINUTES)**  
Mr. Conroy Palmer  
Mr. Jim Barry  
Sis. Gwen Ellington

**REFLECTIONS**  
Miss Aeriona Garcia – *Niece*

**SOLO**  
Evangelist Paulette Haynes

**WORDS OF COMFORT**  
Apostle Dr. Norman Armstrong

**SELECTION**

**BENEDICTION**

**RECESSIONAL**

**FINAL VIEWING**

**INTERMENT**  
Old Nazareth Cemetery  
2205 Wampee Drive  
Pinopolis, South Carolina