



*Flower Bearers and Pallbearers
Family and Friends*

~Special Acknowledgments~

*The family of **Woodrow Ford, Jr.** wishes to express their sincere gratitude for every prayer, phone call, visit, message, expression of sympathy, and act of kindness shown during this time of bereavement. Your love and support have been a source of strength and comfort, and the family is deeply grateful to each person who has shared Woodrow's life and now joins them in honoring his memory.*

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Life Reflections

Retired Msgt. Woodrow Ford Jr, husband of Rose White Ford, age 89, transitioned into eternal rest at his home on September 9, 2026.

Woodrow, who was known as “W” by his family and Honey by his grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great great-grandchildren, was born November 6, 1936 as the eldest son of the late Woodrow Ford Sr. and Geneva Pearson Ford. He was baptized and raised as a member of Jehovah Missionary Baptist Church. He was a proud graduate of the Lincoln High School Class of 1957.

After high school, he joined the United States Army where he served over 29 years and completed two tours in Vietnam. While he was stationed in multiple units, he always honored the time he spent with the 101st Airborne Division at Ft. Campbell, KY and the 82nd Airborne Division at Ft. Bragg, NC. He worked his way up to Master Sergeant and was blessed to be a drill sergeant at Ft. Jackson, SC. He retired from the army in 1989. He then became employed at the South Carolina Meat & Poultry Inspection Services for another 18 years where he worked diligently as the regional supervisor of inspectors. You could also find him supporting his wife by working at the concession stand through various sport seasons and other events for Sumter County Parks and Recreation.

Woodrow Ford Jr. to us, but to his fraternal brothers he was known as brother Woodrow Ford Jr, member of the International Free and Accepted Modern Masons Pride of Sumter Lodge No. 35 of Sumter, SC. He was also a Noble of the Imperial Grand Council Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine of North and South America. He was a member of Salaam Temple No. 17 Sumter, SC.

While driving down the street, he set his eyes upon the most beautiful woman that he ever saw and he had no qualms about telling anyone that Rose White Ford was the love of his life. These two love birds were married for over 69.98 years. They were inseparable and where you saw her, he would often be close by watching and smiling. Not ashamed to let anyone know that she was his one and only.

Pondering his heavenly departure and treasuring his legacy alongside his wife are his daughters: Loria Jean Ford of the home, Rosalind Ford Boone and Angela Ford Shaw of Sumter, SC and Uyvonnie Diana Ford of Mesquite, TX; his sons: Woodrow (Doris) Ford III of Socastee, SC, Quinton (Jimiko) Ford of Rock Hill, SC, My’lik (Courtney) Lloyd-Ford of Ft. Carson, Colorado; one daughter in law, Juanita Pellham Ford of Columbia, SC; five nieces, two nephews, 16 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great-granddaughters; and a host of cousins and other relatives.

We would also like to acknowledge the following people for the special roles that they held in his life: Udetta Chestnut, special sister, Olivia Bethea, special daughter; Julius Ford, special grandson and caretaker; and Se’Veon Boone, oldest great-grandson and caretaker.

Family members awaiting Woodrow’s arrival: his parents, Woodrow Ford Sr. and Geneva Pearson Ford; one son, Wilford Gino Ford; two sisters: Virginia Butler and Jonnie Mae Harrison, one brother Herbert Ford; father in law, Claude White; mother-in law, Agnes Smith White; three sisters-in-law, Janie Olden, Naomi Chiles, and Dorothy Ford; three brothers-in-law, William “Billy” Olden, Robert Harrison, and Marion Peterson; one great- granddaughter Brielle S. Randolph, two great-great-grandsons, Se’veon J. Boone and Aires J. Benjamin.





Celebration of Life

Sunday, September 13, 2026
2:00PM

Salem Chapel and Heritage Center
101 South Salem Ave, Sumter SC 29150

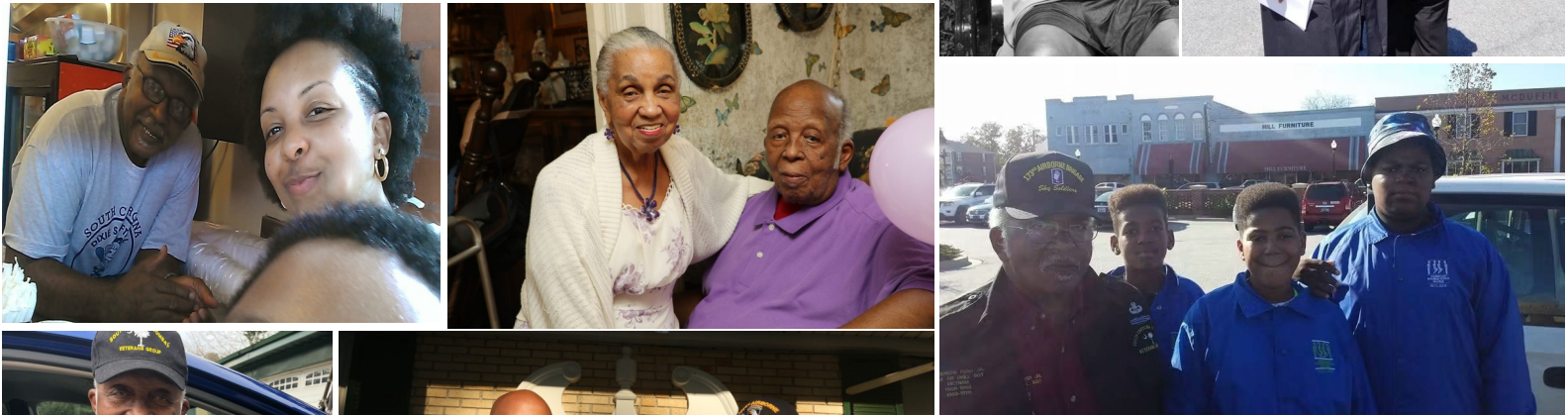
ORDER OF SERVICE

Retired Col. Joseph Dawson, Jr., Officiant



Prelude	Musician
Processional and Viewing	Ministers, Family and Friends
Selection	Vonte Daniels
Prayer of Comfort	Quinton Ford
Scriptures	Min. Claudia O. Harvin
Selection	Tisha Skinner-Johnson
Reflections:	

South Carolina Meat & Poultry Inspection Services
Lorraine Dennis
Chestnut Family
Rosalinda Hay



Acknowledgements	Tameisha Boone Williams
Selection	Shonda English
Words of Comfort	Dr. Ralph W. Canty Sr.
Recessional	

Interment

Hillside Memorial Park



