



Pallbearers and Floral Bearers

Nephews and Nieces

A Loving Thank You

The family of Silas “Neil” O’Neil Davis extends our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has shared in our loss and lifted our family in prayer. Thank you for every kind word, phone call, visit, expression of love, and act of kindness shown to us during this difficult time. Your presence, prayers, and support have been a source of comfort and strength. May God bless each of you for helping us celebrate the life and memory of our beloved Neil.

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CELEBRATING
the Life of
**SILAS “NEIL”
O’NEIL DAVIS**

AUGUST 4, 1965 ~ AUGUST 22, 2026



*“I have fought
a good fight,
I have finished
my course,
I have kept
the faith.”*

2 TIMOTHY 4:7

SERVICE
FRIDAY, AUGUST 28TH, 2026
11:00 A.M.

ST. PAUL A.M.E.-SHAW
SUMTER, SOUTH CAROLINA 29154

PASTOR FRIENDLY GADSEN, OFFICIANT
PASTOR JULIE A. HAYES, EULOGIST

Life Reflections

Silas O’Neil Davis, affectionately known as “Neil,” was born August 4, 1965, in Sumter, South Carolina, to the late Johnnie Davis Sr. and the late Amelia Choice Davis. He was the youngest of ten children and held a special place in the hearts of his family. Neil was lovingly spoiled, fun-loving, full of life, and truly a child at heart.

Neil departed this life on August 22, 2026, at Prisma Health Midlands Hospital in Columbia, South Carolina. At a young age, he joined St. Paul AME Church and was educated in the Public Schools of Sumter County.

A true “Jack of All Trades,” Neil worked primarily in carpentry and construction. He enjoyed fishing, drag racing, cooking, watching Westerns, singing, dancing, laughing, joking, and most of all, spending time with family.

Neil loved his daughters deeply, and each shared a unique and special bond with him. His oldest daughter, Sanquetta, was affectionately called “Ma” by her father. His daughter Santanna was lovingly known to him as “Bear,” while his youngest daughter, Tenise, was affectionately called “Pickie.” These special names reflected the personal connection and love Neil shared with each of his daughters.

Two of the most treasured relationships in Neil’s life were with his sister, Mary Colclough-Maple, and his brother, Tommie Davis. Because Mary and Tommie helped raise him, their relationships with Neil extended far beyond that of older siblings.

Mary became much more than a sister—she was his second mother. Her love and devotion remained steadfast throughout his life, and she cared for, supported, and stood beside him through every season. Neil also shared a unique and cherished bond with Mary’s children—Angel (Terry), Latoyla, and Crystal (Stewart)—who, because of the closeness of their family and upbringing, were more like sisters to him than nieces.

Tommie was not only Neil’s brother but also a father figure, confidant, and best friend. He was a constant source of support throughout Neil’s life and was always there when Neil needed him. Their bond was reflected in the simple moments they shared, from enjoying breakfast together nearly every day to taking rides and simply spending time together. Those moments became treasured memories of a brotherhood built on love, companionship, and unwavering support.

He leaves to cherish his memory his three daughters, Sanquetta (Stanley) Hayes of Sumter, South Carolina; Santanna (Andrae) Alston of Columbia, South Carolina; and Tenise Davis of the home; 13 grandchildren; his siblings Mary (Daniel) Colclough-Maple, Tommie (Angela) Davis, Freddie Davis, and Julius (Betty) Davis; sisters-in-law Louise Davis, Dorotha Davis, and Patricia Kirkland; one uncle Edward (Louise) Choice; special friend Beverly Lewis; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Neil was preceded in death by his wife, Yolanda Owens Davis; parents, Johnnie Davis Sr. and Amelia Choice Davis; his grandson, Ty’Quan Corde’ Williams; brothers Johnnie Davis Jr., Ben Davis, and Herbert Davis; sisters Minnie D. Ramsey and Martha Allen; and brothers-in-law William Colclough Jr., William Dinkins Sr., Richard Ramsey, and Freddie Allen.

Though his earthly journey has come to an end, the love, laughter, memories, and joy Neil shared with those around him will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved him. His family finds comfort in knowing that he believed in Jesus Christ and can now rest peacefully in His eternal care.

Order of Service

Pastor Friendly Gadson, Worship Leader
St. Paul AME-Shaw, Sumter SC

Prelude Musician

Processional & Final Viewing Clergy and Family

Song of Praise *It Is Well* Pastor Catrina Brand
Word of Deliverance Outreach Ministries, Sumter SC

Prayer Rev. Stanley E. Hayes, Jr.
Enon Missionary Baptist Church, Sumter SC

Musical Selection *God Is* Shonda English

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament Psalm 23 Apostle Dorothy Maple
Community Church or Praise , Sumter SC

New Testament John 14:1-3..... Rev. Dr. Georgia Walker
Enon Missionary Baptist Church, Sumter SC

Reflections of a Life Well Lived:

Kindly limit all reflections to three minutes

Family Angel Colclough Bradshaw & LaTolya (CoCo) Colclough

Through the Eyes of his Daughters Sanquetta, Santanna, and Tenise

Acknowledgements Nikishia Stevens, Niece

Musical Selection Musician

Words of Comfort Pastor Julie Ann Hayes
Enon Missionary Baptist Church, Sumter, SC

Recessional Medley of Songs

Interment

St. Paul AME / Singleton Cemetery

Sumter, SC