

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The family of Donald Ray “Mutt” Laster would like to express our deepest gratitude for the many acts of kindness, prayers, visits, calls, and expressions of love shown during our time of loss. Your support has brought comfort and strength to our family.

May God continue to bless each of you.

— The Family

A Life Well Lived

We thought of you with love today,
but that is nothing new.

We thought about you yesterday,
and days before that too.

Your memory is our keepsake,
with which we'll never part.

God has you in His keeping,
we hold you in our heart.

Your laughter, love, and gentle ways,
will never fade away.

A life so full, a heart so kind,
lives on in us each day.

Rest now in peace and comfort,
your work on earth is done.

Though gone from sight, you're with us still,
our father, brother, friend, and son.



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In Loving Memory



Donald Ray Laster

April 3, 1968 — August 28, 2025

Saturday, September 6, 2025

2:00 pm

Officiating- Pastor Steve Prince
Selma Memorial Gardens

OBITUARY

Donald Ray “Mutt” Laster was born on April 3, 1968, in Littleton, NC, to the late Floyd and Ethel Watson Laster. He peacefully departed this life on August 28, 2025, leaving behind a legacy of love, kindness, and cherished memories.

Donald was the tenth of eleven children born to this union.

He received his early education at Melver Elementary and later attended Northwest High School. From a young age, Donald showed a strong work ethic, often helping with his family’s agricultural work. At just sixteen, he proudly embraced his independence by purchasing a Carolina Blue Chevelle.

Donald was known for his many talents and interests. He loved cooking, singing, drawing, and dancing. He enjoyed music, fishing, and basketball, but most of all, he treasured time spent with his family. He also had a passion for working on cars, riding dirt bikes and motorcycles, and exploring new skills.

Over the years, Donald worked in many fields, gaining hands-on experience in construction, machinery operation, scrap yard work, furniture moving, and truck driving. He was highly skilled with heavy equipment, carpentry, plumbing, and landscaping. His generosity and willingness to help others left a lasting impact on his community.

He was preceded in death by his brothers Julius (Geraldine) Laster of Littleton, NC; Ivory (Sandra) Laster of Selma, NC; Melvin Watson; and Nehemiah Laster of Littleton, NC.

OBITUARY CONT.

Donald leaves to cherish his memory his devoted wife, Teresa Ann Laster, and their children: Gabrielle (Shavon) Whitaker, Orielle (Aavione) Laster Johnson, Briana (Stevie) Laster Scott, Jeffery Sanders, Shakirah Sanders of Raleigh, NC, Michael Sanders, Shequandra Sanders of Selma, NC, Tracy Geddie (Quincy McCullers) of Princeton, NC, and Christopher Currie of Selma, NC.

He is also survived by his brothers: Floyd Laster, Jr., Edward (Brandy) Lassiter of Bunn, NC, Lenard (Josephine) Laster of Littleton, NC, and Jasper Laster of Littleton, NC; his sister, Teresa K. Laster of Littleton, NC; fourteen grandchildren; his brothers-in-law, Gary Sanders (Christine) of Middlesex, NC, and Sammy Davis (Lisa) of Princeton, NC; his mother-in-law, Hattie Raynor of Selma, NC; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, family, and friends.

Donald Ray “Mutt” Laster will forever be remembered as a loving husband, devoted father, gifted worker, and kindhearted friend. His presence touched many lives, and his memory will live on in the hearts of all who knew and loved him.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Scripture

Prayer

Committal

Benediction