

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Billy Straughter
Jamie Straughter
Michael Pride

Wilbur Straughter
Delvin Gallon
Eugene Pride

Dwayne Straughter
Andrew Cherry
Albert Cherry

ACTIVE FLORAL BEARERS

Family and Friends

REPAST

Immediately following the Service, the Family invites you to join them for a Repast in the Fellowship Hall of Jeslamb AME Church – Madison, Florida.

THE FAMILY'S MESSAGE OF GRATITUDE

The Family of Tony Lamar Straughter Sr. our Father, wishes to express their deepest appreciation and sincere gratitude to those who have offered their prayers, support, and well wishes during our time of bereavement.

Thank you for your love, along with the strength of God, which

helped to sustain us through our sorrow.

May God continue to bless each of you is our prayer!

We take comfort in 1 Corinthians 2:9 ...

"Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man, the things which God has prepared for those who love Him."

~The Straughter Family

We would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude for the trust you have placed upon us during the Homegoing Services of your loved one. Our fondest hope is that all measures of assistance rendered your family have been completed in detail. For all your confidence placed in our staff and me, we will be forever grateful.

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF



Tony Lamar

STRAUGHTER, SR.

ALPHA
August 17, 1964

OMEGA
August 19, 2025

Celebrating His Life
Saturday, August 30, 2025
11:00 Ante Meridie

JESLAMB AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
185 NE Almond Avenue
Madison, Florida 32340

Pastor Bruce Clark, Gracious Host | Eulogist

J.P. Moore Undertaking Company, Directing

LIFE STORY

Tony Lamar Straughter, Sr.
 August 17, 1964 – August 19, 2025
 “Ballee”

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, That whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”
 John 3:16

Tony Lamar Straughter, Sr., the beloved son of Jamie Straughter and Betty Lou Straughter, was born on August 17, 1964, in Madison, Florida. Together with his four brothers and two sisters, he learned valuable life lessons and how to express his love for family. Most of all, he was taught to always have a personal relationship with God. Tony was educated in the Madison County Public School District and graduated in the Class of 1983. He was a lifelong resident of Madison, Florida.

Tony was admired for speaking truth to power, truth in love. He did not sugar coat things but said what was on his mind. He was also a caring person with a heart of gold. He often expressed his gratitude and appreciation for things done on his behalf.

God gives the strongest soldiers the toughest battles. After high school, *Tony* began his independence and employment career. However, because of his unforeseen circumstances, he was unable to accomplish the things he aspired to do. Rather than complaining needlessly, he chose to begin each day with enthusiastic faith. He accepted the fact that he would never be able to return to work. He then made the decision to give a helping hand, a willing heart, and to do something positive. As a result, he supported his working family members by babysitting their children for them while they were at their jobs.

Tony was also concerned about his neighbors’ property while they were away at work. He volunteered to keep an eye on the area and appointed himself as the trusted “Neighborhood Watch” who had their backs.

Tony loved sports - basketball, football, baseball, and even NASCAR racing were some of his favorites. He was a Number 1 sports fan and the ultimate sports authority. He was especially proud of his son for being awarded the opportunity to play football (and to earn his bachelor’s degree) at the University of South Carolina. To show his support, *Tony* made the sacrifice of taking the physically exhausting six-hour trip there and back to every home game during the four years his son was enrolled there. *Tony* always sat in the front row rooting for his son as well as the team to victory. To express his support for his (former) KC Royals nephew, Lorenzo Cain, he proudly offered encouragement and a little helpful advice from time to time. For these and many other reasons, *Tony* affectionately earned the nickname “Ballee.”

Tony Lamar Straughter, Sr. was determined to do as much as he could, for all that he could, and in any way that he could. On Tuesday, August 19, 2025, two days after his 61st birthday, he completed his earthly tasks to earn his heavenly wings. He departed this life and transitioned to his eternal home. *Tony* is reaping the harvest God promised him, for he has been changed, freed, healed, and delivered.

Tony Lamar Straughter, Sr. left a lasting impression and his forever love for his family and friends. Those cherishing his memories with fondness and love are his devoted mother: Betty Lou Straughter of Madison, FL; beloved son: Tony Lamar Straughter, Jr. of Columbia, SC; brothers: Wilbur (Eva) Straughter of Jasper, FL, Billy Straughter, Jamie Straughter, Jr., and Willie Straughter all of Madison,

FL; sisters: Lesley (James) Bryant and Patricia Cain of Madison, FL; adorable granddaughter: Analee Straughter of Columbia, SC; aunts: Ruby Pride, Mary Wesley, Deloris Thomas all of Madison, FL, Gloria Mitchell and Margie Mobley of Cherry Lake, FL; uncles: Henry Lee (Jewel) Straughter of Madison, FL, Timothy (Tomasina) Straughter of Rochester, NY, and Jim Straughter of Miami, FL; care givers: Tim and Mary Ann Sanders of Madison, FL; special friends: Jack and Angela Culpepper of Madison, FL; together with many other sorrowing relatives, consoling friends, and comforting neighbors.

Preceding *Tony Lamar Straughter* in death was his father: Jamie Straughter, Sr.

THE DIVINE ORDER OF SERVICE

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| Prelude..... | DJ Brooks |
| Processional | Eulogist, Clergy, Mortician & Family |
| Parting Glance & Seating of the Family..... | The <i>J.P. Moore</i> Staff |
| The Prayer of Consolation | Minister Courtney Straughter |
| THE HOLY SCRIPTURES | |
| Old Testament | Pastor Reginald Davis |
| New Testament | Sister Paula Thomas |
| Musical Selection | DJ Brooks |

REFLECTIONS & TRIBUTES

Two Minutes Each, please
 As a Friend Brother Terry Martin
 Mr. Tim Sanders

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| Acknowledgements & Resolutions | The <i>J.P. Moore</i> Staff |
| Musical Selection | DJ Brooks |
| Words of Comfort | Pastor Bruce Clark |

COMMITTAL | PRAYER | BENEDICTION

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| Mortician’s Brief | Mr. Jamarie “J.P.” Moore, LFD |
| Recessional | Clergy & Family |

“Weep if you must; Jesus wept. But weep not as those who have no hope, for in Christ Jesus, there is hope and eternal life.”

– 1 Thessalonians 4:13-14

