

*Pallbearers*

Silas Adams  
Shawn Gadsden  
El Hajj Summers

Antaun Faison Jr.  
Emory Gadsden Jr.  
John Swinton

*Honorary Pallbearers*

Emory Gadsden Sr.  
William Gadsden  
Salek Nelson

Napoleon Gadsden  
Ronald Gadsden  
Percy White

*Floral Bearers*

Ushers

*In Appreciation*

The family of the late **William Gadsden Jr.** 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.



*A Celebration of Life*  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
*William Gadsden, Jr.*

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AUGUST 29, 1941 - JANUARY 10, 2025

Wednesday, January 15, 2025 | 1:00 P.M.  
Greater St. Mark AME Church  
918 Black Oak Road | Bonneau, SC  
Reverend Ida Mitchell, Pastor

INTERMENT  
Greater St. Mark AME Church Cemetery

# Life Reflection

William Gadsden Jr., the son of the late William Gadsden and Rosa Lee Snipe, was born on August 29, 1941 in Berkeley County, South Carolina. He departed this life on Friday, January 10, 2025, at East Cooper Medical Center, Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina.

William, known to family and friends as “Fuzzy”, was educated in the Berkeley County Public School System. He was a member of Greater St. Mark AME Church where he served faithfully.

Mr. Gadsden was united in holy matrimony on October 13, 1958, to Mary J. Wright of Bonneau. This union was blessed with ten children.

He was a very strong-willed and independent man. His family was his main priority, especially caring for his grandchildren. He enjoyed sitting on the porch with a cold Pepsi.

Mr. Gadsden was preceded in death by his loving wife Mary J. Gadsden; two daughters, Vivian Gadsden and Yvonne Washington; one son, Benjamin Gadsden; four sisters and one brother.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his children, Napoleon (Yvonne) Gadsden, William (Jackie) Gadsden of St. Stephen, SC, Juanita Adams, Ronald Gadsden of Bonneau, SC; Barbara (Percy) White of Fayetteville, NC, Emory (Katine) Gadsden and Latechia (Antaun) Faison of Bonneau, SC; a granddaughter reared in the home, Iesha Washington of Bonneau, SC; two sisters, Martha (Warren) Grant of Blythewood, SC and Estell Sellers of St. Stephen, SC; 19 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren; special friends, Arthur Lee Green, Leroy Bennet and Silas Adams; special niece, Rosa Jenkins; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

# Order of Service

*Reverend Ida Mitchell, Officiating*  
*Reverend Albert Frost, Presiding*

Prelude.....Musicians  
Processional.....Ministers & Family  
Hymn #364..... “My Hope Is Built”  
Prayer ..... Minister Joseph Shirah  
Scripture Readings  
    Old Testament - Psalm 23 ..... Rev. Clyde Henryhand  
    New Testament – I Corinthians 15:51-57 ... Rev. Albert Frost  
Selection..... Greater St. Mark AME Choir  
Reflections.....Brother Emory Gadsden, Son  
The Obituary ..... Read in Silence  
Solo ..... Sister Bridget Hood  
Words of Comfort ..... Reverend Dr. Albert Jones  
The Lord’s Prayer  
Recessional  
Committal..... At Graveside  
Benediction

## I MADE IT HOME

I just wanted to let you know that I made it home.  
Everything is so pretty here so white, so fresh, so new.  
I wish that you could close your eyes so you could see it too.  
Please try not to be sad for me, try to understand.  
God is taking care of me...I’m in the shelter of His hands.  
Here there is no sadness and no sorrow, and no pain.  
Here there is no crying and I’ll never hurt again.  
Here it is so peaceful when all the angels sing  
I really have to go for now...  
I’ve just got to try my wings.  
PS...I’ll be the first face you see when you get here!

