

# REFLECTIONS OF HIS LIFE

*"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: A time to be born and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to dance." Ecclesiastes 3: 1-4*

*Arthur Snipe, Jr., affectionately known as "Bombie," was the beloved son of the late Arthur Snipe, Sr. and Mary Boston Snipe. He was born on June 4, 1958, in Charleston, South Carolina, and entered eternal rest on April 18, 2026, in Columbia, South Carolina.*

*Arthur grew up as a devoted member of Olive Branch AME Church in Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina. Upon relocating to Columbia, he was baptized at First Nazareth Baptist Church, where he faithfully served as a member of the Sanctuary Ushers.*

*Through the loving introduction of his godsister, Gloria Seabrook Wright, Arthur met and later married Shirley Parker of Sumter, South Carolina. Their union was blessed with two beautiful daughters, Sharolyn Ariel and Audra Shirelle, whom he cherished deeply. Arthur took immense pride in their growth, accomplishments, and the remarkable young women they became—his greatest joys in life.*

*Arthur was educated in the Mt. Pleasant public school system, where he excelled athletically. A standout basketball player at Wando High School, he earned a scholarship to South Carolina State College (SCSU). There he majored in Elementary Education and minored in Physical Education. His athletic talent earned him numerous awards and ultimately an opportunity to compete in a Semi-Pro Summer League in New York City. In 2010, He was inducted into South Carolina State University's Athletic Hall of Fame.*

# ORDER OF SERVICE

## PROCESSIONAL AND FINAL VIEWING

**HYMN**.....CHOIR

**SCRIPTURE READING**.....DEACON THOMAS SCOTT

**PRAYER** ..... DEACON JAMES GALLISHAW

**MUSICAL SELECTION** ..... "SENDING UP THE TIMBER"

## TRIBUTES (PLEASE LIMIT TO 2 MINUTES)

**DUTCH FORK ELEMENTARY**..... REBECCA DILLEY

**SCSU COLLEGE BASKETBALL** .....JOE ROBINSON AND BILL HAMILTON

**OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY, INC**.....NORRIS ASHFORD

**FNBC SANCTUARY USHERS**.....RENEE EVANS

**FAMILY**.....MARCUS L. SNIPE, BROTHER

**MUSICAL SELECTION**..... " WALKING UP THE KINGS HIGHWAY "

**WORDS OF COMFORT**..... REVEREND DR. BLAKELY N. SCOTT, III

## RECESSIONAL

## COMMITTAL, PRAYER, BENEDICTION

## INTERMENT

Greenlawn Memorial Park  
7100 Garners Ferry Road Columbia, South Carolina 29209

## REPASS

First Nazareth Baptist Church Fellowship Hall



## *Pallbearers*

MEN OF OMEGA PSI PHI, INC.

## *Floral Bearers*

First Nazareth Baptist Church  
Sanctuary Ushers

## *Honorary Pallbearers*

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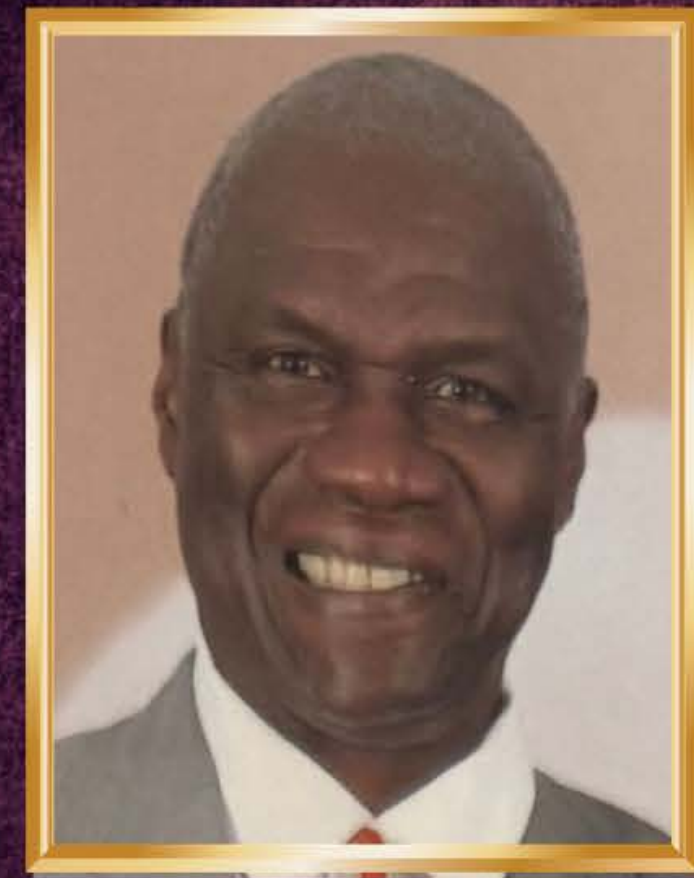
George Watson

\*Bill Hamilton (SID)

## *Expressions of Gratitude*

The family of Arthur Snipe, Jr. wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the comforting messages, floral tributes, charitable donations and other expressions of love and sympathy shown during our time of bereavement. Your many expressions of sympathy and acts of kindness are indelibly etched in our hearts, and we remain eternally grateful. It is through your comfort that we have found strength. Thank you for continuing to keep us in your thoughts and prayers. May God's blessings be with you always. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to South Carolina State University's Athletic Department - Men's Basketball.

The Family of Arthur Snipe, Jr.



*Celebrating The Life And Legacy of*

# *Arthur* SNIPE JR.

ALPHA: JUNE 4, 1958

OMEGA: APRIL 18, 2026

SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 2026 | 11:00 A.M.



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# IN LOVING MEMORY

## *of our dear Father*

God saw you getting tired and a cure was not to be.  
So He put His arms around you and He whispered "Come to Me".  
With tearful eyes we watched you. We watched you fade away.  
Although we loved you dearly, we could not make you stay.  
A golden heart stopped beating. Hard-working hands at rest.  
God broke our hearts to prove to us, He chose to take the best.

*It's lonesome here without you. We miss you more each day.*

*Life doesn't seem the same since you have gone away.  
When days are sad and lonely, and everything goes wrong.*

*We seem to hear you whisper "Cheer Up and Carry On".  
Each time we see your picture you seem to smile and say,  
"Don't cry, I'm in God's hands. We'll meet again someday!"*

*-From Your Daughters*



After graduating, Arthur moved to Columbia and began a meaningful career at the Department of Youth Services, starting as a Youth Counselor before being promoted to Juvenile Correctional Officer/Supervisor. He went on to serve in several impactful roles throughout his career, including positions with the South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs, New Hope of Midlands Clinic, Pony Express, the South Carolina Education Lottery, and Lexington–Richland School District Five. During the 2008–2009 school year, he was honored as Dutch Fork Elementary School's Support Employee of the Year and as First RunnerUp for District Support Employee of the Year. In 2018, Arthur received the WLTX News 19 "Teacher of the Week" award in recognition of his dedication and commitment to going above and beyond for students.

Arthur lived a life filled with simple joys and meaningful connections. He loved spending time with his family, listening to music, working on "that RED truck," playing golf with Bill, watching basketball, and enjoying his favorite classics—The Godfather, The Andy Griffith Show, and Cops. He adored caring for Snowball and Snowflake, who brought him daily delight.

His heart for service extended far beyond his professional roles. Arthur was deeply committed to supporting underprivileged youth and served as a mentor to countless young men and women throughout the community. He was also a proud member of the Omicron Phi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Arthur's life stands as a testament to the power of FAITH, FAMILY, and COMMUNITY.

Arthur was preceded in death by his parents, Arthur Snipe, Sr and Mary Boston Snipe.

He leaves to cherish his memory his devoted wife of thirty four years, Shirley Snipe; his daughters, Ariel and Audra Snipe, of the home; his brother, Marcus (Ingunn) Snipe of Oslo, Norway; his nieces and nephew—Margo, Michael, and Mina Snipe; his sister-in-law, Carolyn (James) Gooden; his brothers-in-law, Willie, Sandy, and Clarence Parker; and a loving host of cousins, relatives, special friends, and fraternity brothers.