

Order of Service

_____, Presiding

Prelude Musician

Processional Clergy and Family

Final Viewing

Opening Hymn Choir

Invocation _____

Scriptures:

Old Testament Reverend Retha Thompson

New Testament Elder Anthony Chandler

Remarks Brother Leon Cooper
Brother LeRoy Williams

Solo Brother Roosevelt Thompson

Words of Comfort Reverend Joe Nathan Brown

Solo Brother Roosevelt Thompson

Directions of Funeral Director ... Samuels Funeral Home

Recessional Medley of Music

Committal

Benediction

Interment St. James Baptist Church Cemetery
1288 Coleman Road
Greeleyville, South Carolina

Floral Bearers

C.E. Murray High School Class of 1981

Casket Bearers

C.E. Murray High School Class of 1981

To Our Brother

Our hearts are heavy, yet filled with love,
As we trust God has called you above.
Though your voice is silent and your journey is through,
The memories we share will always carry us to you.
From childhood days to laughter we've known,
You helped make our family a home.
Your music, your smile, your jokes so true,
Will forever be treasured because they came from you.
Though we must part for a little while,
We'll remember your laughter, your heart, and your smile.
Rest peacefully, dear brother, until we meet again,
Forever in our hearts, forever our family, forever our
friend.

~With Love, Your Brothers and Sisters

In Appreciation

The family of the late **Billy Lee Chatman** sincerely thank each of you for your prayers, love, comforting words, telephone calls, cards and every expression of kindness shown during our time of bereavement. Your thoughtfulness and support have been a source of strength and comfort. May God richly bless each of you for your love and continued prayers.

-The Family of Billy Lee Chatman

~Services Entrusted To ~

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Life Reflections

Billy Lee Chatman was born on February 12, 1963, in Williamsburg Regional Hospital in Kingstree, South Carolina, to the late Robert Lee Chatman and Easter Collins Chatman-Johnson. On Thursday, July 9, 2026, God, in His infinite wisdom, called Billy from labor to eternal rest.

Billy received his education in the public schools of Williamsburg County and was a proud graduate of C. E. Murray High School, Class of 1981. During his high school years, he proudly served as the Drum Major of the marching band and showcased his musical talent as a trumpet player. Music was more than a hobby for **Billy**—it was one of his greatest passions and remained an important part of his life.

Following his graduation from high school, **Billy** relocated to Bridgeport, Connecticut, where he began a new chapter of his life. Shortly thereafter, he obtained employment with the Nestlé Manufacturing Plant while also earning his certification as an electrician in the early 1980s. His strong work ethic, determination, and commitment to providing for his family were evident throughout his career.

Billy was a man of many talents and a personality that naturally drew people to him. He possessed a remarkable artistic ability and enjoyed drawing, entertaining others, and sharing his love of music. He also spent time as a DJ, bringing people together through music and celebration. Whether he was making someone laugh with one of his many jokes, reminiscing about days gone by, dancing to one of his favorite songs, or spending quality time with family, **Billy** had a special gift for creating moments filled with joy. His infectious smile, quick wit, and vibrant spirit left a lasting impression on everyone who knew him.

Billy was preceded in death by his brother, Bobby Charles Chatman; and his sister, Martha Ann Chatman.

He leaves to cherish his precious memories his beloved children: Andrell Zeigler of Brooklyn, New York; Schuylor

Chatman of Boston, Massachusetts; Vi'dal D. Chatman and Brittnei J. Chatman both of Decatur, Georgia. He was the proud grandfather of six cherished grandchildren, who brought immeasurable joy to his life.

He is also survived by his loving sisters, Rosemary Collins Harvin of Kingstree, South Carolina, and Yvonne Chatman of Greeleyville, South Carolina; his brother, Charles Jerome Chatman (Sophia) of New York; along with a host of devoted nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, lifelong friends, and all whose lives were blessed by knowing him.

Although **Billy's** earthly journey has ended, his legacy of laughter, music, creativity, and unconditional love will continue to resonate in the hearts of those who knew him. He will be remembered not only for his many talents but also for the happiness he brought into every room and every life he touched.

"Well done, good and faithful servant... enter into the joy of your Lord."
Matthew 25:23

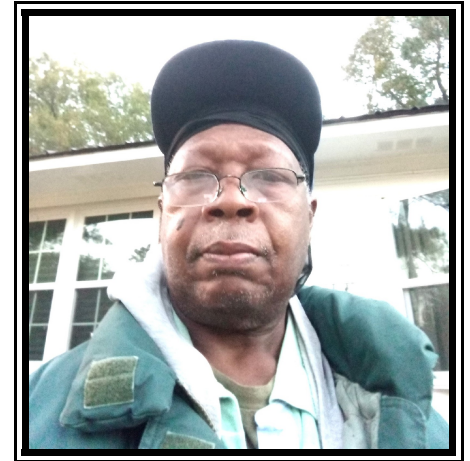
To Our Daddy, Granddaddy and Uncle

We thought of you with love today,
but that is nothing new.
We thought about you yesterday
and days before that, too.
We think of you in silence.
We often speak your name.
Now all we have are memories
and your pictures in a frame.
Your memory is our keepsake with
which we will never part.
God has you in His keeping.
We have you in our hearts.

-With Love, Your Children,
Grandchildren, Nieces and Nephews

In Loving Memory of Billy Lee Chatman

Sunrise Sunset
February 12, 1963 July 9, 2026



A Final Farewell

Don't weep because my journey
here has come to an end;
Instead, remember the love we shared
and the joy we found together.
When you hear music play, think of me.
When laughter fills the room,
know that I'm smiling too.
Carry my memories in your hearts,
not your sorrow.
Love one another, cherish each moment,
and never take tomorrow for granted.
Though you can no longer see me,
my love remains with you always.
Thank you for being a part of my life's journey.
Until we meet again, may God keep
each of you in His loving care.
~With All My Love, “**Billy**”