

Broken Chain

We little knew the day
That God was going
To call your name.
In life we loved you dearly,
In death we do the same.
It broke our hearts to lose you
But you didn't go alone.
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home.
You left us peaceful memories.
Your love is still our guide,
And though we cannot see you
You are always at our side.
Our family chain is broken
And nothing seems the same,
But as God calls us one by one
The chain will link again.

Ron Tranmer

Note of Thanks

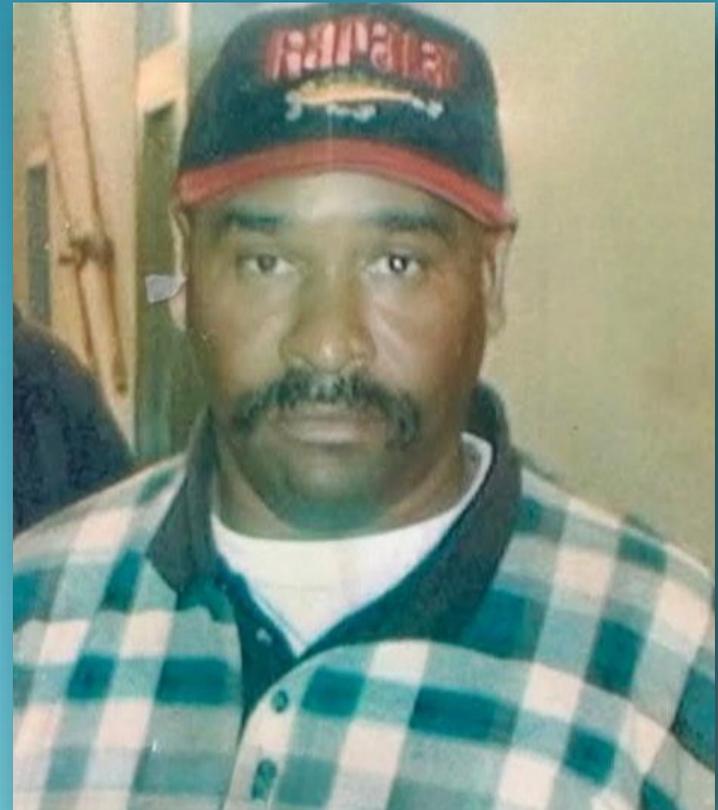
With deep appreciation and gratitude, we wish to express our sincere thanks to the many families and friends for expressions of kindness shown during the loss of our loved one.
May God bless each and every one of you.

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF FRANCIS PAUL MILLER

OCTOBER 6, 1955 – OCTOBER 10, 2025



SATURDAY
OCTOBER 18, 2025
11:30 AM

GREGORY FUNERAL SERVICE CHAPEL
601 North York Street
Gastonia, North Carolina 28052
Reverend. T.S. Gillespie, Officiating

—ORDER OF SERVICE—

Receiving of Friends from
11:00 AM until 11:30 AM

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING SELECTION

Old Testament

Evangelist Tina Davis

New Testament

Deacon Alvin Goodwin

PRAYER

SELECTION

REMARKS

(2 minutes, please)

SELECTION

Let It Rain

EULOGY

BENEDICTION



Francis Paul Miller
“Paul Francis, Newt, PawPaw”

Francis Paul Miller was born to the late Francis Isaiah and Jannell Walker Miller on October 6, 1955, in Gaston County. He departed this life on October 10, 2025, at Caromont Regional Medical Center.

Paul received his education from Gaston County Schools and graduated from Ashbrook High School, Class of 1974. He accepted Christ as his personal Savior and expressed his faith, saying, *“Sis, I’m not afraid to die; I just don’t want to be alone.”*

Prior to his retirement, Paul worked for Carolina Mills and Homelite for many years before starting his own business, Miller’s Lawn Service, which he operated until his health declined. He also enjoyed fishing and was a proud member of Tri-State for fifteen years.

Paul was preceded in death by his parents; his sister, Tomacenia Mason; cousins, Lester N. Miller and Carlton Gingles; aunt, Rosa Lee Armstrong; and niece, Tammy Littlejohn Smith.

He leaves to cherish his memory his children: Paul Miller, Jr. (Temekia), Ivy Miller, and Sheena Holmes (Xzavier), all of Gastonia, NC, and Tijuan Lipscomb (Printest) of Clover, SC; grandchildren: Robert Miller, Amiya Miller, Victoria Miller, Christopher Bennett, Ja’Juan Lipscomb, and Patience Lipscomb; and one great-grandchild Aliyah Miller.

He is also survived by his siblings: Lester N. Miller and Angel M. Leak of Dallas, NC; Mary Frances Littlejohn and Vernon Williamson of Gastonia, NC; special friend, Linda Reid of Charlotte, NC; along with a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends who will dearly miss him.

