

Order of Service

Visitation

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Quiet Hour Music provided by the Adams and Sadler Families

Processional

Call to Worship

Reverend Charles Woods
Ebenezer Baptist Church
Rock Hill, South Carolina

Opening Hymn

"What a Fellowship"

Old Testament Scripture

Reverend Chris Woods

New Testament Scripture

John 16:33

Reverend Tony Littlejohn

Prayer of Comfort

Reverend Douglas Moss
Pleasant Grove Missionary Baptist Church
Calabash, North Carolina

Reflections *(Limited to Two Minutes Please)*

Robert Johnson
Gastonia, North Carolina

Selection

Liberty Hill Combined Choir

Acknowledgments and Resolutions

Sister Dawn Smith

Selection

Liberty Hill Combined Choir

Eulogy

Pastor Charles Woods
Ebenezer Baptist Church
Rock Hill, South Carolina

Recessional

"May The Work I've Done Speak For Me"

Interment

Unity AME Zion Church Cemetery
(Old Unity Cemetery)

Repat

Following the interment, family and friends are invited to return to the church for the repast.

The Final Voyage

The sails are lowered, the journey done,

A life of daring, hard-fought, and won.

Through raging storms and quiet seas,

You caught the wind, you rode the breeze.

No distant shores were left unseen,

No heavy hardship stood between

Your valiant heart and every quest,

And now, at last, you've earned your rest.

The voyage spans beyond the foam,

As the great traveler heads back home.

The stars will guide your spirit grand,

Into a peaceful, gentle land.



Floral Bearers

Nieces

Pall Bearers

Lamar Moore, Kevin Armstrong, Jermaine Littlejohn,
Derrick Harris, Thomas Washington, Asberry Love

A Note of Gratitude

The family of Paul Edward Sadler, Sr., wishes to express our heartfelt appreciation for every act of kindness shown during this difficult time. Your prayers, comforting words, visits, cards, flowers, food, and every expression of love have brought strength and peace to our family. We are deeply grateful for your support as we celebrate his life and cherish the many memories he leaves behind. May God richly bless each of you for your compassion and generosity.

With sincere gratitude,
The Family

Arrangements Were Entrusted to:

COSTNER FUNERAL HOME

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

PAUL
Edward
SADLER, SR.

NOVEMBER 27, 1948 - JULY 23, 2026



SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 2026

1:00 PM

TRINITY-UNITY AME ZION CHURCH

1638 FREEDOM MILL ROAD
GASTONIA, NORTH CAROLINA

REVEREND CHARLES WOODS
OFFICIANT

Well done, good and faithful servant.

MATTHEW 25:23



In Loving Memory of Paul Edward Sadler, Sr.

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our beloved father, Paul Edward "Cut" Sadler, Sr., who departed this life on July 23, 2026, at CaroMont Regional Medical Center. His passing has left a void that can never be filled. Though our hearts are heavy with sorrow, we are forever grateful for the love, wisdom, and memories he leaves behind.

Paul lived a life defined by passion, purpose, determination, and unwavering faith. He embraced every challenge with grace, faced adversity with remarkable strength, and touched countless lives through his kindness, generosity, wisdom, and deep love for God and his family.

Born on November 27, 1948, in York County, South Carolina, Paul was the son of the late James Edward Sadler and Martha Jannie Sadler. Paul was a lifelong member of Unity African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church where he was an avid Sunday School student and would continue his membership with Trinity/Unity A.M.E. Zion Church.

Paul attended Roosevelt School in Clover, South Carolina, where he graduated with the Class of 1966. Following high school, he attended Gaston College before continuing his education at Agape Bible College, where he studied theology.

In August 1968, Paul was drafted into the United States Army. He completed Basic Training at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and was later stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia, where he specialized in electronics and served as a Senior Radio Repairman.

Paul's strong work ethic began early in life. As a young man, he worked alongside his father on the family farm near Bowling Green, South Carolina, where they sharecropped. During his teenage years, he worked as a curb hop at the Howard Johnson Restaurant in Clover, South Carolina. While in high school, he also drove a school bus for two years.

During two summers, Paul worked with his father at Pinckney Cotton Mill in Gastonia, North Carolina, and continued working there while attending Gaston College. After graduating, he accepted a position as a spot welder with Wix Corporation.

Following his military service, Paul worked for General Tire in Charlotte, North Carolina. He later relocated to Washington, D.C., where he worked as a newspaper wrapper and delivery driver before returning to Gastonia to resume his position with Wix Corporation.

Years later, Paul's life changed when illness forced him to retire and receive VA disability benefits. Even during this difficult season, he remained active, working for Duke Power, assisting his brother Billy Joe Sadler with his Boiler Installation Company, becoming a Courier Travel driver, and eventually operating his own land-scaping business.

Above all else, Paul treasured his family. He was happiest when surrounded by those he loved and was known for treating everyone with kindness and respect. Whether offering advice, lending a helping hand, or simply sharing a laugh, he made everyone feel like family.

Paul was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Linda Garris Sadler; his brothers, James W. Sadler, Jasper L. Sadler, Melvin Sadler, Billy J. Sadler, Lester Sadler, Michael Floyd, and Stanley Floyd; his sisters, Martha Bigger, Nell Pressley, Bobbie J. Jennings, Mary K. McKinney, and Mae Helen Floyd; and one son, Bernard Edward Garvin Sadler.

He leaves to cherish his memory his devoted children: Carmen Sadler, of the home, Paul E. Sadler, Jr., of Gastonia, North Carolina. Victor Meeks (Sandy), of Columbus, Ohio and Vincent Meeks (Landy), of Boise, Idaho.

He also leaves behind four cherished grandchildren: Malcolm Meeks, Makayla Meeks, Cydni Meeks, and De'Morris Meeks; five great-grandchildren; his brothers, Alfonso Sadler, of Dover, Delaware, Tommy L. Sadler, John H. Sadler (Linda), of Charlotte, North Carolina; and Randy Tate, of Gastonia, North Carolina;

his sister, Dianne Floyd, of Dallas, North Carolina; along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and dear friends who will forever cherish his memory.

Paul's legacy is one of faith, perseverance, hard work, and unconditional love. His gentle spirit, warm smile, and willingness to help others will continue to inspire all who had the privilege of knowing him. Although he is no longer with us in body, his love and the example he set will remain in our hearts forever.

"Well done, good and faithful servant." – Matthew 25:23

