



IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
**ROY JAMES  
HUNTLEY**

**FEBRUARY 26, 1949 ~ AUGUST 23, 2025**

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Sunday, August 31, 2025  
1:00 PM

Smith's Memorial Chapel  
604 Salisbury Street  
Wadesboro, North Carolina

Pastor Broce Sowell, Presiding  
Rev. Clay Parker, Eulogist

# Order Of Service

Processional.....	Clergy and Family
Invocation.....	Dr. Eugene Sturdivant
Musical Selection.....	Barringer Chapel Baptist Church Choir
Scripture Readings	
The Old Testament.....	Dr. Elder Pedro Billinger
The New Testament.....	Rev. Idrise Strange
Prayer Of Comfort.....	Dr. Harold Miller
Musical Selection.....	Choir
Remarks.....	2 Minutes Please
	Lester Currie, Friend
	Class of 1967 Representative
	Bennettsville Lodge #208
	Dawn Smith, Daughter
Obituary.....	Read Silently
Acknowledgments.....	Harold & Evadne Smith
Musical Selection.....	Choir
Eulogy.....	Rev. Clay Parker
Selection & Parting View	
Committal	
Benediction	
Recessional	

## Interment

Barringer Chapel Baptist Church Cemetery  
Norwood, North Carolina

# Obituary

On Saturday, August 23, 2025, surrounded by his family, our beloved father, grandfather, brother, and friend, Deacon Roy James Huntley, quietly made his final request. With a peaceful expression he uttered his last request: "I'm coming, Lord, all by myself. Don't call the roll until I get there." With that, he drew his last breath, and our Heavenly Father granted his request and welcomed his devoted servant into eternal rest.

Roy was born on February 26, 1949, in Union County, NC, to the late Roy Huntley and Henrietta Miller Huntley.

He was educated in the Union County public schools and graduated from East Union High School, Class of 1967. Upon graduation, Roy attended Barber Scotia College until he was drafted into the Vietnam War, serving his country with honor and commitment. Roy received the National Defense Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal with 2 Bronze Service Stars, and the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal. After receiving an Honorable Discharge, he devoted his professional life to Duke Power, where he worked diligently until his retirement.

Roy attended Olive Branch Baptist Church, Marshville, NC before moving his membership to Barringer Chapel Baptist Church, Norwood, NC. At Barringer Chapel, he held numerous positions: Superintendent of Sunday School, Deacon, member of the Finance Committee, Choir Member, Usher Board and Community Outreach. His contributions to the church reflected his profound faith and dedication until his health began to fail.

Roy was an active member of Bennettsville Lodge #208, where he served as Worshipful Master. Additionally, he was a past Patron of Cleo Chapter #122 of the Order of the Eastern Star, PHA, and a member of the Holy Royal Arch. He was also a member of the NAACP and the Board of Social Services, where he strived to uplift his community.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Roy and Henrietta Miller Huntley; his son, Dietrius Thomas; his sister, Cynthia Huntley; and his cherished wife of 28 years, Lynette Thomas Huntley.

Roy loved spending time with his family, going fishing, and visiting the beach.

He leaves to cherish his memories three daughters: Dawn J. Smith (James) of Concord, NC; Tina Caple (Maurice) of Ansonville, NC; and Tia Huntley, who resided at home; three sons: Patrick Johnson of Concord, NC; Phillip Thomas of Washington, DC; and Marcus Lilly, who also lived at home. He is survived by ten grandchildren: Charles Artis; Axeris Broadway; Brianna Smith; Makala Caple; Maliyah Caple; Jayda Smith; I'myah Johnson; Issa Johnson; Maurice "MJ" Caple; and Ayesha McIntyre. Additionally, he leaves behind ten great-grandchildren: Jace; Jazmyn; Hayda; Karsynn; Jayslei; Royal; Ava; X'ani; Zyre; and K'ouri. He is also survived by three sisters: Mildred Martin of Wingate, NC; Mattie Burns of Marshville, NC; and Sarah Rivers (Thomas) of Monroe, NC; and three brothers: Nathan Huntley (Rita) of Monroe, NC; Gary Huntley (Avis) of Marshville, NC; and William Huntley (Stella) of Rex, Georgia. He is remembered by special friends Lester Currie and Angelo Shankle, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.









## Miss Me, But Let Me Go!

*When I come to the end of the road  
And the sun has set for me.*

*I want no rites in a gloom-filled room  
Why cry for a soul set free?*

*Miss me a little.....But not too long  
and not with your heads bowed low.*

*Remember the love that we once shared,*

*Miss Me, But Let Me Go!*

*For this is a journey we all must take  
And each must go alone.*

*It's all a part of the Master's Plan  
A step on the road to home.*

*When you are lonely and sick at heart,  
Go to the friends we know.*

*And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds  
Miss Me, But Let Me Go!*

# Floral Bearers

*Family and Friends*

# Pallbearers

*Family and Friends*

# Acknowledgment

*The family of Roy James Huntley wishes to acknowledge, with deepest appreciation, the many expressions of love and sympathy and gestures of kindness shown to us following our loss. We extend our heartfelt thanks to the many families, friends, and neighbors who have provided emotional and practical support during this most difficult time, to those who have traveled long distances, and to those who have sent floral tributes, cards, and messages of condolence. We are truly grateful.*

## *Professional Services Entrusted To:*

*Smith Funeral Directors*

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