



## Pallbearers

Joseph H. Miles Jr. | Joseph H. Miles III  
Cedric Patterson | Calvert Smith  
Troy Mitchell

## The Broken Chain

We little knew that day,  
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.  
You did not go alone.  
For part of us went with you,  
The day God called you home.  
You left us beautiful memories,  
Your love is still our guide.  
And although 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.

## Acknowledgements

The family would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped in any way. We appreciate the love, thoughtfulness and prayers shown during this time. May GOD bless you all.

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Triumphant Transition of Life  
Remembering The Life, Labor, & Love of  
**JOSEPH HARSHAW MILES SR.**



**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2023**  
ELEVEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

**KINSEY & WALTON FUNERAL HOME**  
3618 PEACH ORCHARD ROAD  
AUGUSTA, GEORGIA

REVEREND BRUCE BIAS | PRESIDER AND EULOGIST  
PASTOR, GOOD SAMARITAN BAPTIST CHURCH



# The Obituary

Retired Master Sergeant (MSG/E-8) Joseph H. Miles Sr. was born December 22, 1947 in Suffolk, Virginia to Williams T. Miles Sr. and Vernie D. Cooper. He departed this earthly life at age 75, on Tuesday, November 21, 2023, in Charlie Norwood VA Medical Center in Augusta, GA. After being drafted into the United States Army in 1965, he later graduated from high school and proceeded to fight in the Vietnam War. He furthered his education in the military and earned degrees as a German Headstart and Drill Sergeant Instructor Trainer. Additionally, Joseph received numerous decorations, medals, badges, ribbons and awards for his service to include: National Defense Service Medal, Good Conduct Medal (seven awards), Vietnam Service Medal with two Bronze stars, Vietnam Campaign Medal with sixty device, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm//2 O/S bars, Meritorious Service Medal, NCO Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, Army Commendation Medal, and the German Army Marksmanship Award in Silver, Bronze and Expert (Rifle). After retiring from the United States Army of twenty-three years, Joseph embarked on another career at Savannah River Site for three years. His hobbies included working on cars, playing and listening to music, fishing and cooking. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and American Legion.

Preceding him in death were: his parents, William T. Miles Sr. and Vernie C. Miles; sister, Yvonne Martin; and great grandson, Aavery Jones.

Joseph H. Miles Sr.'s legacy will be cherished by: spouse, Evelyn H. Miles, Augusta, GA; son, Joseph H. Miles Jr. (Kimberly), Augusta, GA; daughter, Lavonne C. Miles-Patterson (Cedric), Atlanta, GA; grandchildren, Dyreka Jones, Gloverville, SC and Joseph H. Miles III, Augusta, GA; great grandchildren, Aamir Jones, Skyler Jones, Aubrey Jones and Aariyah Jones, Gloverville, SC; brother, William T. Miles Jr., Suffolk, VA; sister, Cheryl Cherry, Portsmouth, VA; godson, Calvert Smith (Sabra), Augusta, GA; niece, Robin Harris, Augusta, GA; great niece, Sanna Harris, Augusta, GA; close friend, Vickie Lemon; and a host of friends.



## Don't Be Saddened

Don't be saddened because I'm gone,  
Do everything the same and live on.  
Don't shed tears, please don't cry,  
God will wipe the tears from your eyes.  
From you I had to depart,  
But let my memories remain in your heart.  
Don't be saddened I'm at rest,  
You all loved me, but God loved me best.

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**JOSEPH H. MILES SR.**  
1947 - 2023

# The Order of Celebration

## PRELUDE

Mr. Milledge Kyler

## SCRIPTURES

Old Testament  
Reverend Lorice Oats Griffin  
JERUSALEM BAPTIST CHURCH

New Testament  
Pastor Sabrina Robinson  
IGNITE LIFE MINISTRIES

## PRAYER

Jacob Harrison

## SOLO

Stanley Johnson

## REFLECTIONS

2-3 Minutes Please

## OBITUARY

Read Silently

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Kyonna Hayes

## SOLO

Reverend Patrick N. Outler

## EULOGY

Reverend Bruce Brias

## INTERMENT

Fort Jackson National Cemetery  
4170 Percival Road | Columbia, South Carolina