

# Order of Service

Prelude.....Soft Music

Processional.....Ministeries and Family

Mistress of Ceremony.....Latesha Ulmer

Prayer.....Pastor Carolyn Triplett

Scripture.....Pastor Nathan Laster

Selection.....Tequila Trotter, Keisha Farrell and Mariyah Farrell

Expressions.....Two minutes please

Acknowledgment of Cards and Condolences.....Latesha Ulmer

Obituary.....Silent Reading

Selection.....Tequila Trotter, Keisha Farrell and Mariyah Farrell

Eulogy.....Pastor Delecia Henderson

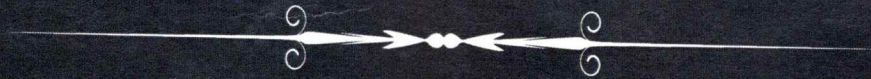
Recessional.....Soft Music



## *Tributes*

Thank you for always having our backs, Papa. You have saved us more times than we can count. We love you and we will miss you every day.

Love Always, Your Grands and Great Grands Bernie, Jalen, Najee, Jameilah, Andrew, Javion, Emily, Breion, Chrisilynn and Easton



Daddy, I'm so grateful that God gave me you. I will miss you more than words could ever say, but I will continue to be grateful for your existence. The thought of living without you physically causes my heart to ache. But thought of having known you hurts 100 times more. So, I will be forever thankful for every single moment, be it good or bad. I will hold every memory of you in my heart and I promise to take God with me wherever life leads. I love you my sweet angel. My Chocadrop.

Love Shavonne (Nakia)

# *Tributes*

Dad, If I could write a story, it would be the greatest ever told of a kind loving dad. Who had a heart of gold. I could write a million pages, but still be unable to say, just how much I love and miss you every single day. I will remember all that you taught me. I'm hurt but won't be sad because you will send me down the answers and you will always be dad.

Love Alea

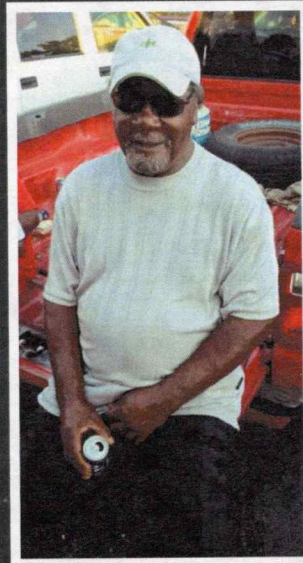
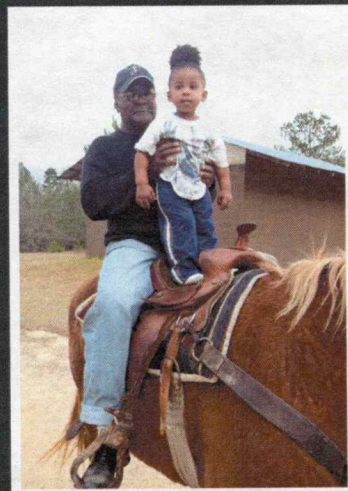
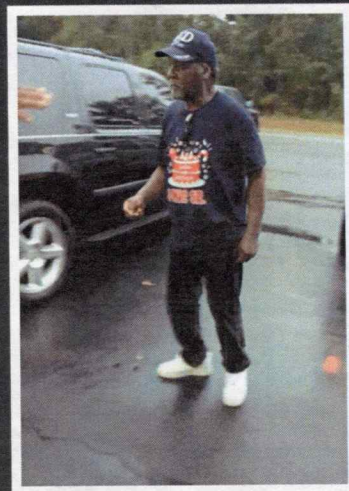
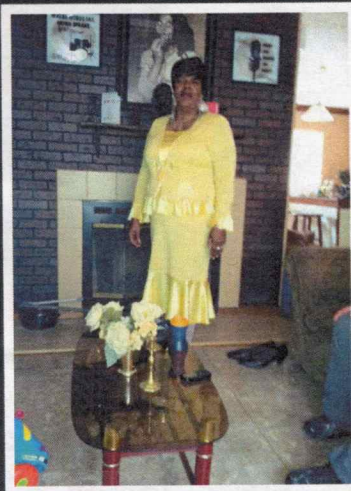
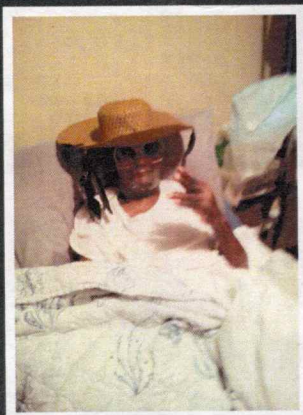
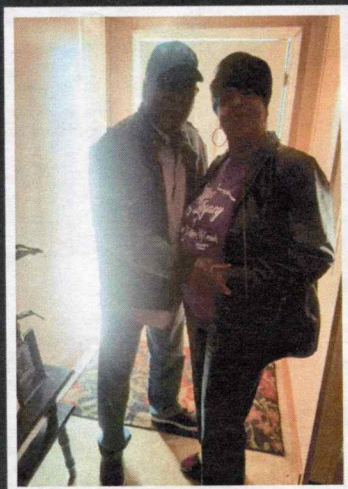


We didn't say the words enough, but even unspoken, in our hearts we knew. Now that you are gone. I wish, right now today I had that chance to say those words just one more time. "I love you, Shawty". I never asked you to be perfect or to be more than you could be. Dad, all I ever wanted was for you to be proud of me. As, I grow older when I look in the mirror. More and more it is your face that I see. Over the years, as I have grown into a man. In me, I can see so many of the best parts of you. And now that I have a son of my own. It comforts me to know as I watch him grow, someday that I will see those parts in him too. Thinking of you not being here is so hard to believe. Letting you go, leaving a hole where you should be. It is an unbearable pain that grows stronger within me. They say there is a reason, and time heals. But none of those words could ever change how I feel. Go ahead and rest now dad don't worry. I'll step up and pick up where you left off and be strong for our family. Don't worry about us I have got Mama, Nakia, Alea and the kids. We will take care of each other and know that God will always take care of us. Until we meet again Shawty.

Love your son Scoota

*My loving arms will hold you  
when we meet again.  
Time for us to part now,  
we won't say goodbye;  
Look for me in rainbows,  
shining in the sky.  
Just look for me and love me,  
as you know I loved you.*

*Love Elbert Lee*



# *Acknowledgments*

The family of the late Elbert Lee Waters wishes to express our sincere appreciation for all the prayers, phone calls, visits and many other acts of kindness shown during this difficult time. We would like to give special thanks to Keyes Funeral Home and Compassus Hospice Care.



## *Active Pallbearers*

Anthony Lovett, Kerry Lovett, Dale Avant, Elkendrick Waters,  
Jalen Henderson, & Andrew Waters

## *Honorary Pallbearers*

Michael James, Ronald McCormick, Donald McCormick, Darrion Jones,  
Wayne Waters, & McInnis McCormick

## *Flower Bearers*

Family and Friends

## *Committal Interment*

Fairview Presbyterian Cemetery

## *Repast*

Fairview Presbyterian Church

## *Professional Services Entrusted to*

Keyes Funeral Home 319 Bay Street Heidelberg, MS 39439 601-935-7019

IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY  
*Wonderful Husband*

Lee, I've loved you from the moment I laid eyes on you. I knew in that moment that you would be the one I'd marry. I will love you until the last breath I take. Thank you for 50 beautiful years my love. I promise to live life to the fullest for you. I promise to do all the things we never got the chance to do. I know you will be there with me. I love you forever more. Love, your wife Emerald

The sun has come. The mist has gone. We see in the distance our long way home. I was always yours to have. You were always mine. We have loved each other in and out of time.



# Obituary

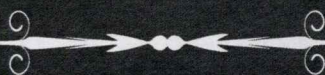
Elbert Lee Waters was born to the late Rev. Lewis Waters III and Bessie Lee. Waters (McDonald) on December 3, 1950. He departed this earthly life surrounded by love with his family by his side on January 15, 2025, in Heidelberg, MS.

Elbert Lee was raised in the Oak Bowery Community and at the young age of 17 he moved to Chicago, Ill. There he met his wife of 50 years Emerald Waters (Artis) and to this union 3 children were born. Elbert Jermain Lee (Temeka), Nakia S. Waters and Alea M. Gritton (Jason).

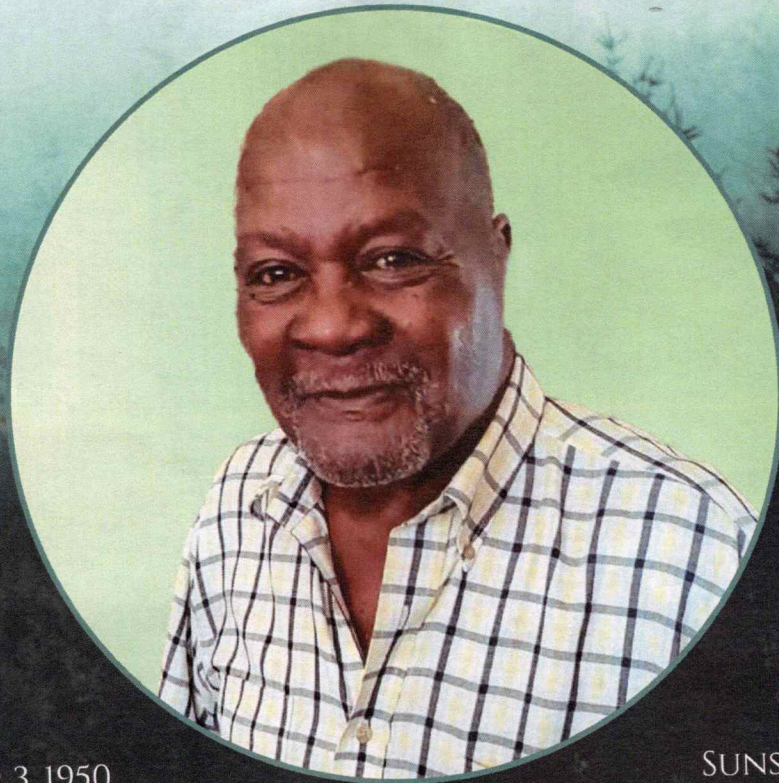
While in Chicago he worked in Construction for over 26 years, He obtained a host of friends there also. But in 1993 longing for familiar roots, he brought his family home to Heidelberg, MS where he remained until his dying days. Elbert Lee was a true Jack of all trades. He was the person you called on when you needed help.

Elbert Lee was preceded in death by his daughter Lataria Waters, his grandson Timothy Waters, his sister Florence McCormick, his brother's Gilbert Waters, William Lewis Waters (Sugar boy) and his in-laws Andrew Artis and Nancy Artis.

Elbert Lee leaves to cherish his memories his wife, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, stepmother, sisters, brothers and a host of family and friends. His devoted wife Emerald Waters (Artis) of Heidelberg, MS. His children Elbert Jermaine Waters (Temeka) of Heidelberg, MS, Nakia S. Waters of Heidelberg, MS, Alea M. Gritton (Jason) of Louisville, KY. (10 Grandchildren) Najee Waters of Fort Wayne, IN, Javion Bender of Bay Springs, MS, Jalen Henderson of Hattiesburg, MS and Andrew Waters of Heidelberg, MS. Bernadine Waters of Fort Wayne, IN, Jameliah Wheaton of Heidelberg, MS and Emily Grace Gritton of Louisville, KY. (3 Great - grandchildren) Easton Henderson of Wiggins, MS, Breion Waters of Fort Wayne, IN and Chrisilynn Henderson of Fort Wayne, IN. Stepmother Mary Waters of Rosehill, MS. (4 sisters) Florine Lee of Heidelberg, MS, Beulah Lovett of Heidelberg, MS, (JK) Laura Ann Jones (Ivory) of Taylorsville, MS and Christina Waters of Rosehill, MS. His (3 brothers) Maurice Waters (Aleria) of San Antonio, TX, Jehovah (Otis) Waters (Catherine) of Heidelberg, MS and Paul McCoy (Nanette McCoy) of San Antonio, TX. He also leaves to cherish his memory his sisters and brothers in love and close friends JB Lovett and Geneva Williams



*Celebrating*  
THE LIFE OF



SUNRISE DECEMBER 3, 1950

SUNSET JANUARY 15, 2025

*Albert Lee Waters*

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