

Flower Bearers - Nieces  
Pall Bearers - Nephews

### Gone Fishing

I've finished life's chores assigned to me.  
So put me on a boat headed out to sea.  
Please send along my fishing pole  
For I've been invited to the fishin' hole.  
Where every day is a day to fish,  
To fill your heart with every wish.  
Don't worry, or feel sad for me.  
I'm fishin' with the Master of the sea.  
We will miss each other for awhile.  
But you will come and bring your smile.  
That won't be long you will see.  
Till we're together you and me.  
To all those that think of me.  
Be happy as I go out to sea.  
If others wonder why I'm missin'  
Just tell 'em I've gone fishin'.

Delmar Pepper

### *Acknowledgement*

The family of Mr. John Wesley Norris would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude for the many acts of love, kindness, and support shown to us during this difficult time.

A special thank you to his Hospice care givers, Cindy and Terry,  
whom he fell in love with.



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## Homegoing Celebration for *John Wesley Norris*



April 8, 1941 - October 15, 2025

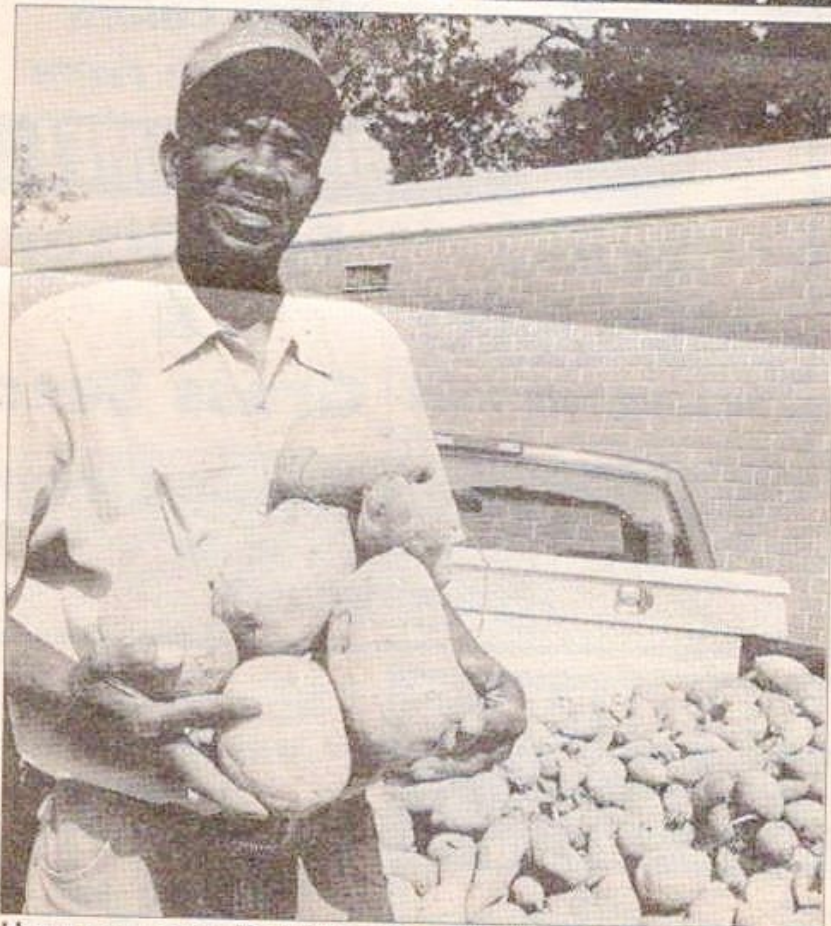
Tuesday, October 21, 2025  
12:30 p.m.

PALMER GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH  
1606 Kingston Road  
Kingstown, North Carolina  
Rev. James L. Smith, MDiv., Pastor

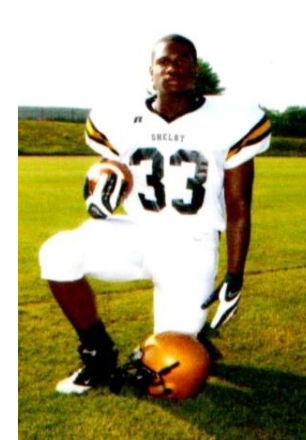
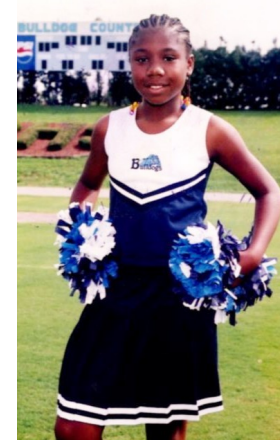
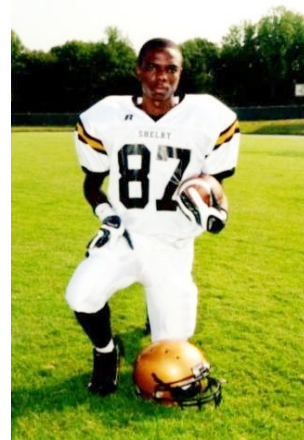


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Have you seen Ted "The Yam Man" with his truckload of yams which he grew in Kingstown? Ted's crop provided some of the biggest yams we ever saw! The ladies "came-a-running" to get a bagful when he was kind enough to give so many of his yams away!







# The Family Visitation

Prelude

Processional

Receiving of Friends.....12:00 Noon - 12:30 PM

## Order of Service

Officiating Minister.....Rev. James L. Smith, MDiv.

Congregational Hymn..... "Down At the Cross"

Scripture Reading

Old Testament.....Proverbs 3:5-6.....Rev. Horace Jeffries

New Testament.....2 Corinthians 1:3-4.....Dr. Terry Floyd

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. Donnie Thurman, Jr.

Solo .....Ms. Brooke Watkins

Selection..... "It Is Well With My Soul"

Acknowledgements

Solo.....Deacon Carlos Merritt

Words of Comfort.....Rev. James L. Smith, MDiv.

Recessional Selection

Interment

Palmer Grove Baptist Church Cemetery

Repass in the Life Enrichment Center





Mr. John Wesley Norris, 84, of Shelby, NC passed away on October 15, 2025 at Hospice Wendover. He was born on April 8, 1941 to the late Grover Norris, Sr. and Mary Lumpkin Norris.

John retired from Cleveland County Solid Waste and Wellington Hamrick after over 30 years of service. He was a member of Palmer Grove Baptist Church.

He loved children, especially his nieces and nephews. He was a very loving and giving person, providing what he could when asked. John was also overly protective of his baby sister as he called her, making sure she was comfortable and taken care of. His favorite hobby was to go fishing.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his wife of fifty years, Diana Kirkland Norris; his son, Jonathan Norris; ten sisters - Bessie, Cynthia, Bertha, Lourine, Omie, Geneva "Nick", Ruby, Christine, Emma, and one deceased twin; and seven brothers - Robert Jr., Grover Jr., Les, Oscar, Woodrow, and two other deceased brothers.

He is survived by his sisters, Eva Norris Jennings (Bobby), Kay F. Allen, and Isabell Rivers; a host of nieces and nephews that he loved as his own; and a special deacon, Carlos Merritt, whom he loved dearly.

