

Reflection of Life

Jack Wanzer, Jr. was born on November 20, 1956 to the late Jack Wanzer Sr. and Lula Gordon in Mobile, Alabama. Jack was called home to rest on May 22, 2023.

During his early years, Jack was raised and educated in Fowl River, Alabama, and later moved to Milford, Delaware, where he continued his education and graduated from Milford Senior High School. Jack's passion grew for soccer throughout high school and college and later turned to American football for the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Jack would later enlist in the United States Army in 1976, where he served and received various medals of honor, including Army Service Ribbon, a National Defense Service medal, a Southwest Asia Service medal with 2 Bronze stars, and several Marksmanship recognition awards. Jack also served a tour in support of Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm. After his service with the United States Army, Jack returned to Delaware where he raised his family, worked on several construction projects, and owned his own painting company.

He was an active member of Mt. Enon Baptist Church in Milford from childhood to adulthood. His faith-based values led to his spiritual foundation. Jack later joined Mt. Calvary Baptist Church in Orangeburg, South Carolina.

His passion was singing all types of genres of music but truly loved the Mighty Clouds of Joy. Jack's passion did not stop at music; it also included farming, gardening, and the love of farm animals. At any given time, you could see a pig, chicken, or goat along with several dogs in Jack's backyard to raise.

Jack was preceded in death by his son, Jivonne Powell; a son-in-law, Tony Tate Jr.; along with 26 loving brothers and sisters. With a big family, his sister Rosezetta Ward known as “Mammie” was the driving force in his life after his parents passing that taught him great values that he would continued to live by as an adult.

Jack is survived by the love of his life, Lady Diana Ransom; his children: Pastor NaTasha Harris-Tate of Tampa, FL, Pastor Paula (Jermaine) Wanzer-Church of Fort Worth, TX, Jack (NeKicia) Wanzer III of Bridgeville, DE, John E. Wanzer of Ft. Worth, TX and Alexander X. (Ashley) Wanzer of Dover, DE. Jack is also survived by his adopted children: Raven Ransom of Raleigh, NC and Jordan Ransom of Orangeburg SC; his devoted brother, Sam Gordon of Milford, DE; 16 grandchildren; and a host of loving nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews and special friends.

Order of Service

Pastor Robert Eaddy, Officiating

Prelude	Soft Music
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Processional..... Clergy and Family

Opening Hymn..... “Hold to His Hand”

Scripture Readings

Old Testament.....Psalm 23

New Testament2 Corinthians 1:3-4

Prayer of Comfort.....Pastor Jermaine Church

Selection..... Choir

Reflections (2 min please)

Deacon John Fields

Friends & Family

Musical Selection “I Won’t Complain” Pianist, Moses Smith
Saxophonist, Yoshi

Acknowledgements.....Pastor Natasha Tate

Solo.....Pastor Paula Wanzer-Church

Words of Comfort Reverend Nathaniel Bonaparte

Final Viewing

Benediction

Recessional

In Appreciation

We, the family of Jack Wanzer wish to express our heartfelt appreciation of the kind expressions of sympathy extended to us during our time of bereavement. May God continue to bless you and keep you in his care.

We will always remember your kindness. --The Family

I met GOD today.
Be strong and smile,
for you will see me again,
Do not keep your sad face.
I am in a much better place.
Do not let your tears fall,
for I can't wipe them all.
Yes, my life wasn't long,
But I'm begging you to be strong.
Live every moment as if it were your last.
I won't forget any memories that have passed.
Cherish life and love
as I watch you from above.
As I remember all of the good things,
I come to see I have gotten my wings.
—Brandy Wells



Interment

Belleville Memorial Gardens
Orangeburg, SC
Committal Service, Prayer & Benediction

Pall Bearers

Jack Wanzer III	John Wanzer
Alexander Wanzer	Jordan Ransom
Jayden Dixon	Jermaine Church

Repast

New Vision Centre
3699 Magnolia Street - Orangeburg, SC 29118

Arrangements Entrusted to:

Simmons Funeral Home of Orangeburg
Simmons Funeral Home of Santee

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Mr. Jack Wanzer

Sunrise: November 20, 1956

Sunset: May 22, 2023



Friday, June 2, 2023 at 11:30 a.m.

Simmons Funeral Home and Crematory Chapel

2868 Columbia Road
Orangeburg, South Carolina 29118

Reverend Robert Eaddy, Officiating