



- Pallbearers -
Family and Friends

- Flower Bearers -
Special Friends and Co-workers

- Interment -
New Hope Church Cemetery

- Acknowledgment -

The family of the late Mr. William Henry Hatchett, III acknowledges with grateful appreciation all acts of kindness, prayers, cards, telephone calls, flowers, and words of comfort extended to us during our time of bereavement. May God bless each one of you.

IN MEMORIAM

May we take this opportunity to express sincere and deep appreciation for allowing us to serve you during this most difficult period. It is our constant aim to afford to the people of this community a service completed in all details and faultlessly executed with sympathy and understanding.



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CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR

William Henry
HATCHETT, III

"Bill"



SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 25, 2025 | 12:00 NOON

**NEW HOPE MISSIONARY
BAPTIST CHURCH**
4793 County Road 89 S
Camp Hill, Alabama 36850

REVEREND HENRY COOPER, PASTOR
REVEREND EDWARD MILNER, EULOGIST

- The Obituary -

Mr. William Henry Hatchett, III, son of Dr. Helen Schofield Hatchett and the late Mr. William Henry Hatchett, Jr., was born August 22, 1957 in Mayfield, Kentucky.

“Bill” as he was affectionately known by family and friends, was a 1975 graduate of West Aurora High School and went on to earn a Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Sciences from Morehouse College in 1980. He later founded a business dedicated to training paramedics for the state of Georgia and other organizations.

He began his career with Grady Health Systems in 1983, serving as a paramedic for the City of Atlanta. After forty-one years of dedicated service, Bill retired in January 2025. Throughout his career and life, he devoted himself wholeheartedly to his son, Adam Hatchett, and to the city of Atlanta.

Bill was a mentor to countless paramedics who followed in his footsteps. He was a humble, loving, and compassionate man—always ready to help and teach others. He had a gift for seeing the best in everyone he met.

A lifelong sports enthusiast, Bill played and coached tennis during his high school years and continued to enjoy watching sports throughout his life. He cherished time spent with family and friends, sharing laughter, stories, and love.

On Monday, October 20, 2025, he departed this life at The Palms at Lake Spivey in Jonesboro, Georgia.

He leaves to cherish his memory: a son, Adam Hatchett of Camp Hill, AL; mother, Dr. Helen Hatchett of Aurora, IL; two sisters, Sharon Hatchett and Deborah Hatchett both of Aurora, IL; one brother, Dr. R. Lawrence Hatchett of Marion, IL; one nephew, Ryan Hatchett of Marion, IL; a bonus daughter, Kandyce (Frank) Armstrong; a bonus granddaughter, Kadance Armstrong; devoted friends, John (Lisa) Rumsey, Wade (Alicia) Miles, Kelley (Eman) Navaja, Astria Benton, Denise Crisp and Sandy (Mark) Harvill; special families, the Spratling, Jackson and Caldwell families; a host of other loving relatives and friends.

- Who was Bill Hatchett? -

Bill was born August 22, 1957, as one of four children that include his oldest sisters, Sharon D Hatchett and Deborah L Hatchett; and youngest brother, Dr. R. Lawrence Hatchett.

Bill enjoyed sports. However, Bill took a different path. While other athletes loved playing Basketball and Football, Bill excelled not only as a tennis player on the Varsity Tennis Team, but also as a private tennis coach, and ultimately the High School Class President who brought the rock band “Police” (that included internationally renowned performer” Sting”) to the High School to perform.

Bill and his siblings grew up in Southern Illinois. Upon finishing high school, Bill attended the Southern Illinois University Lab School in Carbondale, IL. However, his heart was drawn to Atlanta and Morehouse College. Upon graduating from Morehouse College, Bill and his beloved partner set up a business that trained paramedics for the State of Georgia and other organizations. The quality of the training provided ultimately lead to Bill not only joining Grady Hospital but also his exceptional 46 year career there, doing work that he loved with a team that he respected and also considered as family..

The outpouring of love and support from those of you who knew and loved my son Bill brought tears to my family’s eyes. Bill was never one to brag, except when talking about his son Adam. Being in the Midwest, we had no real appreciation of his impact on those who came to know, work with, and love Bill, including his corny jokes.

We miss him greatly but know that when the day arrives for us to join him, we have no doubt that Bill will be there to welcome us, and take care of us, as he has done for so many others whose lives he has touched.

*We love you dearly Bill,
Your Mother, Helen Hatchett for the Hatchett Family*

- The Order of Service -

Processional Clergy and Family

Scripture Readings:

Old Testament..... Reverend Henry Cooper

New Testament..... Minister Adarian Fambro

Prayer of Comfort Reverend Henry Cooper

Musical Selection New Hope Baptist Church Choir

Expressions of Love..... Two Minutes Each Please

Acknowledgments Victoria Holloway

Musical Selection Brandon Morgan

Eulogy Reverend Edward Milner

Recessional