MOTHER

Whose love and care we depend upon when life for us begins? Who patiently teaches and molds our lives time and times again? Who instills in us good values or how to say a prayer? And when we're ill and need her, we know that she is near. Who sometime have to struggle to send a child to school? An education is needed to obtain knowledge, a necessary tool. Who work for many hours to make a house a home? And feed, clothe and shelter us,

even when we do wrong. Who most of the time deny herself

to fulfill a child's needs? All the sacrifices made are worth it when she see her child succeed.

Who continues to give her love and devotion whether the child is success or not? Her love for her child is overwhelming many times it is all that she's got! Who is it whose body may be weary and tired,

but at night before she retires? She always remember to give thanks, and cry

"Lord, please take care of my child." Now you may have guessed whom i'm talking

bout, so you know there can be no other.be they living or dead may we take time to say, "we're grateful, we love you dear Mother!" Written by: Ruth Sanders

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family of Stephen Sanders wishes to thank everyone for their expressions of kindness and acts of love. Your phone calls, visits, thoughts, and prayers are all greatly appreciated during our time of bereavement.

May God bless you, is our sincere prayer.

A very special thanks to Mr. Dewarren Richardson!

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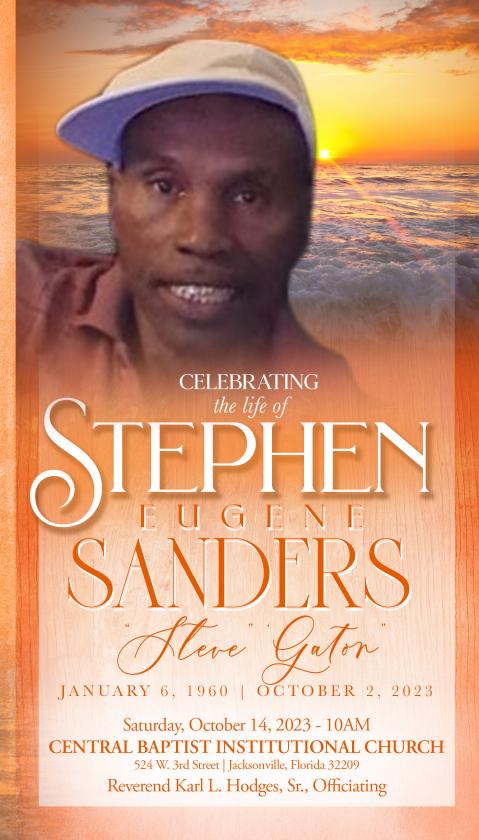
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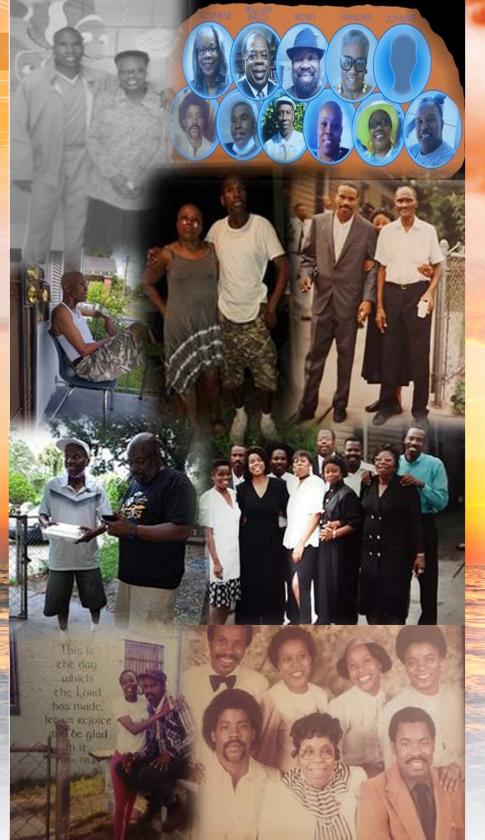
MR. STEPHEN EUGENE SANDERS was born on January 6, 1960. He was the son of Mrs. Ruth Sanders and the late David Smith. He was one of twelve children born to his mother.

"Steve", AKA- (Gator) as he was affectionately known was a lifelong native of Jacksonville, Florida. He attended Duval County public schools and later worked various jobs around the city. He was a pallet maker for a local company and grew to enjoy his skill.

Although he never married or had any children, he enjoyed having domestic and exotic animals as pets. Such pets included dogs, cats, rabbits, chickens, and exotic birds. He will be greatly remembered and dearly missed for his warm personality, his love for his pets and seen riding his bicycle wearing his Chuck Taylor's Converse with a white hat.

On October 2, 2023, he passed away with family and friends by his side. He is preceded in death by his father: David "Snake-eye" Smith; his brothers: Johnnie "Bear" Sanders, Timothy Sanders and his baby sister: Phyllis "Bae-bae" Davis.

He leaves to cherish his fond memories: his devoted mother: Mrs. Ruth Sanders; his brothers: William "Bruce" Blount, Sr. (Sandra), Sidney Lawrence Blount (Gail), Christopher Sanders, Courtney Keith Davis (Jeviel); his sisters: Altimese Blake (Carlos), Francine "Kandi" Husbands (Wycliffe), Cindy "Kat" Davis; his longtime friend: Calvin Nealy, faithful caregiver: Altimese White; loyal nephew: Terry L. Higdon, Jr.; cousins, nieces, nephews, great nieces/nephews, a host of relatives, friends and the First Street Family.



ORDER OF SERVICE

Presiding

Rev. Alvin Johnson

Processional/Viewing/Musical Interlude

Old & New Testament

Lawrence Blount

Invocation (Prayer)

Representative from the Church

Solo

Altimese Blake

Reflections- (As a courtesy to the family, please remember the two-minute rule)

Concluding Reflections

Courtney Davis

Acknowledgements and Resolutions Representative from the Church

Reading of Obituary

Areleshea Johnson

Solo

Altimese Blake

Eulogy

Reverend Karl L Hodges, Sr.

Recessional