

ORDER OF SERVICE

Officiating Minister, Rev. Dr. Roger Fuller

PRELUDE	
PROCESSIONAL	Clergy & Family
RECEIVING OF FRIENDS	12:00 noon - 2:00 pm
CALL TO WORSHIP - INVOCATION	Rev. Dr. Roger Fuller
HYMN OF PRAISE	Walls Memorial Choir
OLD TESTAMENT READING	Yvette Johnson
NEW TESTAMENT READING	Minister
PRAYER OF COMFORT	Dr. Clinton A. Feemster
MUSICAL SELECTION	Rozzie Fuller Brooks & Choir
REMARKS (Please respect a 2 minute time frame)	
OBITUARY	Silently with soft music
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS - RESOLUTION	Madison Hill
MUSICAL SELECTION	Chanda Gadson & Tevin Littlejohn
EULOGY	Rev. Nathaniel Craig
RECESSIONAL	Walls Memorial Choir

COMMITTAL - INTERMENT  
Cherryville City Memorial Cemetery  
Cherryville, North Carolina

FLORAL BEARERS  
GRANDDAUGHTERS  
NIECES

PALLBEARERS  
DASHAWN BROOKS  
DUAN BROOKS  
TAVISH MOORE  
NEPHEWS



I am home in Heaven dear ones;  
Oh, so *happy and bright!*  
There is perfect joy and beauty  
In this *everlasting* light.  
All pain and grief is over,  
Every restless tossing passed;  
I am now at  
*peace forever.*  
Safely home in Heaven at last.  
There is work still waiting for you,  
So you must not idly stand,  
Do it now, while life remaineth -  
You shall rest in Jesus' land.  
When that work is all completed,  
He will gently call you Home;  
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,  
*Oh the joy to see you come!*

IN GRATITUDE

In everything both great and small, we see the hand of God through various expressions of sympathy you have extended to us. Thank you for your prayers, visits, phone calls and food.  
A special thank you to his loving children, Lorann Pettis, Danielle Bush, Sabrina Brooks, Sam Hopper, Alan & The Staff at Summitt Place, and Hospice of Carolina Caring. It is with deepest gratitude that we thank each of you during this most difficult time.  
The Family of Johnny Ivory Brooks

Service of Comfort Provided by:  
**Ebony & White's Funeral Service, Inc.**  
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## Johnny's Life Journey

John Ivory Brooks was born on November 19, 1938, in Cleveland County, North Carolina to the late John Ivory Armour and the late Elease Brooks Hamilton. He gained his eternal reward on Wednesday, May 14, 2025

John attended school in Cherryville, North Carolina where he later graduated from John Chavis High School in 1958. He was a star basketball player and also loved to sing. While in High School he joined a group, which sang and competed at various schools. Later he and some of his schoolmates formed a singing group called the Cherries, where he was noted as one of the lead singers. One of his favorite songs to sing was "Dedicated to The One I Love."

At an early age he joined the Zion Hill Baptist Church where he also sang on the youth choir

John met and fell in love with the love of his life, Anna Margaret Jackson, while they both attended John Chavis. Upon their graduation, they married and in 1962 migrated to New Jersey, where they eventually raised five children.

John worked at various jobs over the years, including Manhattan Rubber Company, where he worked until they closed. He then became a truck driver and worked at Buitoni Foods, and lastly at Marcal Paper Company as a tractor trailer driver until his retirement. John was also a respected member of the Teamsters Union.

While residing in New Jersey John and his family joined the St. Paul Baptist Church of Passaic, where he was an active member. During his membership at St. Paul, John served as an Usher and was later appointed as a Trustee. John also sang as a member of the Male Chorus Association where he sang at various churches.

John also loved to ride his motorcycle and was a member of the Block Riders Motorcycle Club. He also played softball with a team called the Pirates in his leisure. John was also a sharp dresser and a great dancer.

Johnny and his wife Ann relocated back to Cherryville. Upon his return to North Carolina, Johnny rejoined Zion Hill Baptist Church. He later moved his membership to Walls Memorial Baptist Church in Shelby, North Carolina where he was a member of Men on a Mission (traveling and singing at nursing homes), and The Spiritual Choir and Male Choir.

Johnny was also very active in helping and caring for his elderly family members. He loved and worked tirelessly with the food pantry at Washington Missionary Baptist Church in Shelby, North Carolina.

Throughout his life Johnny had a loving, kind, compassionate and generous spirit. He would help anyone in need. He was the funniest man we knew! He loved to tease and scare his children and grandchildren. If you were ever looking for him, he could be found at the local Wal-Mart.

Johnny, as he was affectionately known will be deeply and sorely missed!

In addition to his parents, he is preceded death by his step-father, Thomas C. Hamilton, Sr., two brothers, Chester Brooks, Hubert Brooks, one sister, Cortina Hamilton and a son-in-law, Willie Johnson.

John leaves to cherish fond and loving memories in the hearts of his wife of 64 years, Anna Margaret Jackson Brooks of the home; six children, Yvette Brooks Johnson of Passaic, NJ; Trina Brooks of Roselle, NJ; Ronald (Sabrina) Brooks of Dallas, NC; Annette Brooks of Gastonia, NC; Tamera Brooks of Dundalk, MD; Janelle Daniels of Honolulu, HI; three brothers, Alex (Lorraine) Brooks, Thomas J. (Delcie) Hamilton, Larry (Kim) Hamilton all of Shelby, NC; five sisters, Fallie Hamilton, Jane Roseboro, Edna Lott, Alice McCoy, Pearl (Michael) Camp all of Shelby, NC; sixteen grandchildren, twelve great grandchildren, seven great- great- grandchildren, a special cousin (Lois Houge) a host of nieces, nephews, sisters-in-law, Emma Jean Lewis, Sharon Blake, Marlene (James) Dillard, Sallie Whitener, Robin Daye, Gwendolyn (Timothy) Williams, Brenda Smith; brothers-in-law, Leon (Marsha) Jackson, Freddie Jackson, Larry Clark, Jerry Clark, Willie Lewis (Janet) Clark, Dennis (Lynette) Clark) cousins, neighbors, and friends.

