

*Mr. Johnny B. Lyles* was born on April 24, 1955, in Schley County, Georgia to the parentage of the late Mr. John Benjamin Lyles and the late Mrs. Bertha Ree Holmes Lyles. He was educated in the public schools of Sumter County. Shortly after graduating high school, he began working in the Water Department for the City of Americus and after 15 years of dedicated service he retired. He married the love of his life, Ms. Johnnie Mae Mable and to their union, seven children were born.

Mr. Lyles is preceded in death by his sons: Johnny B. Lyles, Jr. and John B. Lyles; his granddaughter, Destiny Laquasha Willis; two sisters, Ruby Dean (Robert) Baisden and Nettie Woods; four brothers: Robert Lyles, James Lyles, Willie Lee Lyles and Nathaniel Lyles.

In addition to his wife of 45 years Mrs. Johnnie Mae Mable Lyles, Americus, GA, he leaves cherished memories to five children: Betty J. Mable, Birmingham, AL; Mary (Dexter) Willis, Bertha M. Lyles, Mary Perry, all of Americus, GA and Myeesiah Lyles of Killeen, TX; his grandmother, Mrs. Allie B. King, Columbus, GA; six sisters: Ora Dean Engram, South Carolina; Annie Cleveland, Americus, GA; Mamie (Jesus) Tavarez, New Jersey; Mary Ann Hill, Newnan, GA; Sarah Thomas and Annie B. Lyles (Joe), all of Riverdale, GA; one brother, Charles (Barbara) Lyles, Ideal, GA; 21 grandchildren: Shanbrika (Hosea) Brown, Shanteka Holmes, Mary E. Holmes, Chasity (Kendrell) Smith, Alexis Holmes, Dexter Willis, Jr., Jontavis Willis, Johnny Willie, Shytearria Willis, D'Asia Willis, Dekavian Willis, Dillion Willis, Christopher Lyles, Syara Green, Christopher Perry, Deandrielle Perry, Kristionna Davis, all of Americus, GA; Mary F. Holmes, Montavis Johnson, Myeesiah Holmes and Jada D. Johnson, all of Killeen, TX; nine great grandchildren: Kamarion Brown, Keshawn Brown, Delilah Brown, Ja'koby Smith, Kennedy Smith, Chasen Holmes, Kaitlyn Holmes, Nadia Mullins, Kingston Harpe, all of Americus, GA and Kace Holmes, Killeen, TX; an aunt, Ms. Lois Twenty; a daughter-in-law, Khadijah Taylor and children: Jaylen Jackson and Tiana Monson; his sisters and brothers-in-law: Willie Pearl (Jesse) Bateman, Charles Cooper, Georgia (Lawrence) Johnson, Ola Mae Lyles, Patricia (David) Bell, Johnny (Patricia) Mable, Dorothy (James) Hamilton, Evelyn (Jimmie) Asberry, Lillie Woods Lyles, Elaine Sims, Anita Lyles and Sally White; and a host of nieces, including devoted nieces, Crystal Lyles and Sabrina Lyles; nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends, including devoted friends: Virginia Bruce, Joe Cox, Shalonda Morgan, Brenda Higgs, Keyonn Davis and Henry L. Sims, Jr. also survive.