

A LIFE HONORED
Mr. Joe Hampton, Jr.
“MR. JUNIOR” | “THE CHICKEN MAN”

GRAVESIDE SERVICE
Friday, April 10, 2020 | 12:00 noon
Staley Memorial Gardens
N. Mayo Street | Americus, Georgia 31709
Officiant ~ Bishop Melvin McCluster
Pastor | Friendship Missionary Baptist Church

Order of Service

Processional led by Bishop McCluster
Prayer Bishop McCluster or Appointee
Scripture Bishop McCluster or Appointee
Words of Comfort Bishop Melvin McCluster
Pastor | Friendship Missionary Baptist Church
Committal Prayer Bishop McCluster
Acknowledgements and
Presentation of the
Heirloom Family Bible Barnum Staff
Recessional

*Please turn all cell phones and electronic devices off
or to silent mode during the services. Thank you.*

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory...
For ever and ever. Amen.

EARTHLY PLACE OF REST
Staley Memorial Gardens
N. Mayo Street | Americus, GA 31709

HONORARY PALLBEARERS
Friends of the Family
HONORARY FLOWER ATTENDANTS
Friends of the Family

Acknowledgements

*The Family acknowledges with grateful appreciation all acts
of kindness shown during their hour of bereavement.
May God bless each of you in their most sincere prayer.
~The Family of the Late Mr. Joe Hampton, Jr. ~*

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A CELEBRATION FOR THE *Life*
of OUR BELOVED

Joe Hampton, Jr.

June 30, 1931 ~ April 5, 2020
"May the work I've done speak for me."



“MR. JUNIOR” | “THE CHICKEN MAN”
1931 ~ 2020

A LIFE REMEMBERED

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Obituary

MR. JOE HAMPTON, JR. was born in Sumter County, Georgia on June 30, 1931, to the parentage of the late Mr. Joe Hampton, Sr. and the late Mrs. Jessie B. Hooks Hampton. At an early age, he joined the Friendship Missionary Baptist Church. Joe only had a grade school level of education but it was so amazing how he could count money in his head. He didn't need paper and pencil nor a calculator. Maria, his fourth daughter, would be so nervous whenever she worked with him because she wanted to use pencil and paper to add the items. He would say, "You mean to tell me I'm sending you to school and you can't add in your head. You don't need that pencil and paper."

In order to support his family, Joe started cooking chicken at the New Frontier in Desoto, Georgia on the weekends while also employed fulltime at Reeves Construction. He later started cooking chicken with his uncle, Willie Wise, at Wise Bird Lounge. Joe later ventured out on his own and started Tracy's Chicken, where he affectionately became known as "Mr. Junior" and "The Chicken Man". "Mr. Junior" enjoyed fishing and barbecuing. He was a hard worker and believed in "you had to work for it". Joe definitely left behind a legacy for his children to carry out .

Joe is preceded in death by a daughter, Ms. Delores H. Brown.

Joe leaves to cherish his memories: his devoted wife of 59 years, Mrs. Mary Singleton Hampton, Americus, GA; two sons, Mr. Rick (Carolyn) Hamilton and Mr. Rodney Hampton, all of Americus, GA; six daughters: Mrs. Stephanie (Darryl) Turner, Jacksonville, FL; Ms. Tracy Hampton, Ms. Maria Black, Mrs. Deborah (Gerald) Johnson, Ms. Anita (James) Crew, all of Americus, GA and Mrs. Lillian (James) Coleman, Albany, GA; a sister-in-law, Ms. Catherine Singleton, Savannah, GA; seventeen grandchildren, seventeen great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, including a devoted cousin, Ms. Jewel Wise, Americus, GA also survive.



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1931-2020

Continue my heritage; I'm counting on you.

A Fallen Limb

A limb has fallen from the family tree.

I keep hearing a voice that says,

"Grieve not for me.

Remember the best times, the laughter, the song.

The good life I lived while I was strong.

Continue my heritage; I'm counting on you.

Keep smiling and surely

the sun will shine through.

My mind is at ease; my soul is at rest.

Remembering all, how I truly was blessed.

Continue traditions, no matter how small.

Go on with your life, don't worry about falls.

I miss you all dearly, so keep up your chin.

Until the day comes we're together again."

