



## Mr. Charles Elwood Freeman

September 11, 1939 - July 15, 2025

Charles Elwood Freeman, husband of the late Geraldine “Gerri” Freeman, died Tuesday, July 15th, 2025, in Sumter, SC. Born on September 11, 1939, in Jersey City, New Jersey, he was the only child of the late Charles Sumner and Mable Francis Jones Freeman. Raised in New Jersey, he graduated from George School of Newtown, PA, in the class of 1957. He and the late Juilan Bond were the only persons of color at the George School. He completed further studies at the Riverton Laboratory school in Newark, NJ, and earned a medical certificate in Medical Technology. Formerly employed by the United States Air Force as a Medical Technologist. He met and married the love of his life, Geraldine Gerri Freeman, on February 8, 1964, in Mississippi. They moved to St. Croix Island, Virgin Islands. he was employed at Charles High Ward Memorial Hospital as a Medical Technician. In July of 1977, he and Gerri moved to Sumter, SC, where he was employed by the Tuomey Medical Center. They selected Sumter “out of the blue as a nice little town to raise their boys”. They affiliated with the church of the Good Church Episcopal and worshipped faithfully. In his spare time, he enjoyed photography, art, and reading.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a grandson Jalen Freeman.

He leaves to cherish precious memories: three sons, Curtis Christopher (Lilian) Freeman of Fort Washington, MD, Steven Cedric (Lisa) Freeman of Warrenton, VA, and Gerald Roderick Freeman of San Tan Valley, AZ; six

grandchildren: Christina E Pineda, Chrystal E Freeman, Charlotte Freeman, Kyle Bryant, Matthew Bryant, and Nicholas Bryant; two great-grands, Christopher and Lilliana, and a host of other relatives and dear friends.

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

JUL **25**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel - Sumter  
304 South Main Street  
Sumter, SC 29150  
(803) 773-3381  
palmermemorialchapel@sc.rr.com  
<https://www.palmermemorialchapel.com>

## A Celebration of Life

JUL **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel  
304 South Main St.  
Sumter, SC 29150  
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## Burial

JUL **26** (ET)

Hillside Memorial Park  
2561 Cains Mill Rd.  
Sumter, SC 29150

# Tribute Wall



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Charles Elwood Freeman.* ”



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July 25, 2025 at 02:29 PM



“ *Our sincere sympathy and condolences and prayers to the family and relatives and friends.* ”



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**Gloria Harrison Brown and Family** - July 18, 2025 at 08:43 PM