



## Joseph Francis Priester

May 17, 1928 - December 2, 2017

Mr. Joseph Francis Priester was called home to be with the Lord on Saturday, December 2, 2017, at his home in Columbia. Born May 17, 1928, in Columbia, South Carolina, he was the son of the late Isaiah Priester and Mamie Harvey. He was a devoted member of Bethlehem Baptist Church of College in Columbia, South Carolina.

Joseph completed his education at the Booker T. Washington High School in Columbia, South Carolina. He valiantly served his country in the United States Navy. After the end of his service, he was an active member of the local Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW).

Joseph loved his family very much and was loved by many. He had many hobbies, including farming and gardening. He also enjoyed auto repair, but everyone knows he could often be found anywhere from the ocean to a nearby pond, fishing.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Lillian Priester; his children: Joseph Priester, Sr., Danny Priester, Sr., Cynthia Shaheed, and William Priester, Sr.; and his granddaughters: Little Miss Sonji Priester and Timika Doughty Eddins.

Joseph leaves to cherish his precious memories his children: Walter (Danni)

Priester of Columbia, Barry (Collette) Priester of Saluda, South Carolina, Jacqueline Priester, Wilhemina (Greg) Doughty of Columbia, Josephine (Bill) Conley of Burnville, Minnesota; Patricia (Jerald) Samuel of Fort Collins, Colorado; twenty-seven grandchildren; forty-seven great-grandchildren; six great-great-grandchildren; a devoted companion, Ms. Mattie Smith; and a host of other family members, friends and loved ones.

# Cemetery Details

## Bethlehem Baptist Church of College Place Cemetery

1028 Eastman Street  
College Place  
Columbia, SC 29203

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

DEC 8. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Bethlehem Baptist Church of College Place  
1028 Eastman Street  
College Place  
Columbia, SC 29203

# Tribute Wall



“ *Joseph Francis Priester*

October 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *Rose A Hodges lit a candle in memory of Joseph Francis Priester*



**Rose A Hodges** - December 13, 2017 at 08:42 AM



*I am sorry for your loss! Mr. Joe will always be remembered for his beautiful smile and calmness. May God comfort you all at this time of bereavement. Prayers and love!*

**Rose A Hodges** - December 13, 2017 at 08:45 AM



*Ms. Rose,  
Many blessings to you for your kind words and thoughtfulness.*

*Walter (Bunky) Priester*

**walter Priester** - January 18, 2018 at 07:00 PM



“ *Wanda E Harris lit a candle in memory of Joseph Francis Priester*



**Wanda E Harris** - December 11, 2017 at 01:48 PM



*Hey Ms. Wanda,  
Thank you so much, this family truly appreciates your kindness.*

*Walter (Bunky) Priester*

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**walter Priester** - January 18, 2018 at 07:02 PM