



## Reginald Darnell Romeo

August 31, 1960 - June 30, 2019

Reginald Darnell Romeo, of Columbia, South Carolina, departed this life on Sunday, June 30, 2019, in Columbia, South Carolina. Born August 31, 1960 in Pinewood, South Carolina, he was the son of Gladys Romeo and the late Joseph Elliott Mitchell. He was affectionately called Romeo by all, but simply called Babe by his beloved wife.

Romeo was educated in the Sumter School District where he was a 1978 Honor Graduate of Maywood High School. While in school, he served as Student Body Vice-President (1977), Student Body President (1978) and also participated in track where he was All-Conference and named MVP in 1978. Romeo furthered his education at the University of South Carolina where he was a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated. He was employed as a Maintenance Supervisor with the University for twenty-seven years and with Food Lion for twenty-three years.

At an early age, Romeo gave his life to Christ at Cherryvale Baptist Church in Sumter, South Carolina. He later joined St. John Baptist Church in Columbia, South Carolina, where he was a member of the Kimpson/Lewis/Price Family Ministry Unit. Romeo was a regular participant in the Hopeful Dinner Ministry. Romeo was an avid gardener who enjoyed spending time in his yard. He loved landscaping and planting a variety of flowers, plants, and shrubbery. A Master Griller and Chef, Romeo took pride in displaying his culinary skills at

family events.

In addition to his father, Romeo was preceded in death by his maternal grandmother, Adelia T. Davis of Chesapeake, Virginia; an aunt, Cora M. Lee of Portsmouth, Virginia; one uncle, Otis McConico of Pinewood, South Carolina; and a much beloved nephew, Dominic Montrell.

He leaves to cherish precious memories his loving wife of twenty-five years, Pamela Romeo of the home; three children: Reginald Montrell Romeo, II, Titus L. Thompson, and Terelle Thompson-Greene, all of Columbia; five grandchildren: Shannon Lamar Thompson, Jordan McKenzie Thompson, Josie Alexandra Greene, Titus Thompson, Jr., and Ty'asia Thompson; his mother, Gladys Romeo of Sumter; a sister, Valarie Romeo (life partner Robert) of San Diego, California; a brother, Joseph (Betty) Romeo of Sumter; a very dear friend raised in the home as a brother, Anthony (Diane) Rose of Harrisburg, North Carolina; and a host of other loving relatives and dear friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Memorial Gardens of Columbia

Columbia, SC

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

JUL 5. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel - Columbia  
1200 Fontaine Place  
Columbia, SC 29223  
(803) 786-6300  
palmermemorialchapel@gmail.com  
<https://www.palmermemorialchapel.com>

## Public Viewing

JUL 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. John Baptist Church - Columbia  
3404 W. Beltline Boulevard  
Columbia, SC 29203

## Celebration of Life

JUL 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. John Baptist Church - Columbia  
3404 W. Beltline Boulevard  
Columbia, SC 29203



# Tribute Wall



“ *Reginald Darnell Romeo*

October 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *Valarie, I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your brother, my condolences to you and your family. May God continue to heal your broken hearts during this difficult time!*



Vernessa LeSane - July 24, 2019 at 06:22 PM



“ *Sorry for your lost.....*

David - July 15, 2019 at 04:07 PM



“ *To Pam, Terrell and the ntire Family:  
Sorry to hear of the passing of your Husband, and Father. May God Strengthen, and give you Peace and Comfort in the coming days! 🌹*  
❤️🙏 *Bess Gantt, Albuquerque, New Mexico*

Bessalyn Gantt - July 06, 2019 at 12:10 PM



“ *To Pam and family I pray you will find peace in the midst of the storm*

Bobbie Keitt - July 06, 2019 at 05:43 AM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Reginald Darnell Romeo.*



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July 05, 2019 at 01:10 PM



“ *As a customer at Food Lion I would often find myself going from a simple hello to long, pleasant conversations with Reggie. He never missed a beat because he would work and talk at the same time. He's one of the nicest persons I have ever met in my life and his presence is greatly missed!*

*Tracey, Food Lion customer*

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**TRACEY LIGON** - July 04, 2019 at 10:55 PM



“ *Sending my deepest sympathy to the Family. Mr.Reggie will definitely missed by many of us at Food Lion.*

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**Marieka Myers** - July 04, 2019 at 03:55 PM



“ *A New Sunrise Spray was purchased for the family of Reginald Darnell Romeo.*



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July 04, 2019 at 02:07 PM

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“ Reggie and i met at USC in 1979. He was always smiling and a very quiet and kind man. I am in complete shock my friend has gone on to the lord. It was always he and his brother Joe. We would laugh and talk about our country upbringing. God bless you family i know your heart aches. Joy cometh in the morning.

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**Eri . Hunter** - July 04, 2019 at 08:45 AM

LB

“ Romeo would come to my office here at MCB at USC & we would chat lot about his family especially about his grandchildren, which he loved so much. I handled his Corporate Credit card. I will miss his smile & gracefulness. He was also so funny and made me laugh alot at all his stories about his time here at USC. Rest in peace my Friend.



*Lynette Ballington*

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**Lynette Ballington** - July 03, 2019 at 09:18 AM

RS

“ *Reginald Romeo was a great man. He was many things to many people. Sadly there aren't enough words to describe how great if a person he was. For me he was a father figure, mentor, consultant, and a humanitarian. At twenty one years my senior; he often gave me great advice and showed me what it was to be a man. As a 23 year old kid with no plan when I met him, he afforded me a gret opportunity to work for him. He then would take me under his wing and would guide me in my professional and personal life for the next 13 years. He has been there through my triumphs and my tribulations, and instilled in me the tools to succeed and take things to the next level. No one has affected my life in such a positive way as Romeo did. I will honor his beliefs as i continue to strive to be the best person he knew that i could be.*



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**Ron scott** - July 03, 2019 at 08:50 AM

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“ *Charismatic Dance Family lit a candle in memory of Reginald Darnell Romeo*



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**Charismatic Dance Family** - July 02, 2019 at 08:26 PM