



Warren Julius Lesane Sr.

July 6, 1928 - December 25, 2016

Ruling Elder Warren Lesane Sr., was a lifelong member of Goodwill Presbyterian Church, Mayesville, SC. He was the third child in the second marriage of Johnson and Alice Williams Lesane. Warren was the name sake of a longtime Pastor of Goodwill Presbyterian Church; the Rev. Dr. Warren J. Nelson, Sr. Relatives and close friends knew him as Pack. Warren transitioned peacefully at his home on Christmas day with family present after having been under hospice care.

Quoting from a publication that he authored in 2008 for his eightieth birthday celebration, Warren said, "I became an instant father figure at the age of 24 for 10 siblings when Papa died in 1952. I left Bettis Junior College to help Papa on the farm. I raised my younger brothers and sisters until they completed high school or pursued other careers. Farming was the joy of my life. It was rough, but we made an honest living. You had to work hard for what you earned. It was a way of life."

Elder Lesane was raised in a Christian home where he was taught moral values, the value of hard work, responsibility, respect, and the importance of God and prayer. He was taught that he could achieve anything in life. These teachings enabled him to show love to all people and a willingness to help anybody without respect of person.

At the age of 12, he accepted Christ and joined Goodwill Presbyterian Church. It was there he discovered a joy for singing first by joining the youth choir and then advancing to the adult choir at the age of 16. Sunday school was a

priority and he did not want to miss a single Sunday. He served the church in the following capacities: President of Men's Council, Treasurer of the Building Fund Committee, Male Chorus Member, Ruling Elder, Adult Sunday School Teacher, Assistant Sunday School Superintendent, and member of the Adult Choir.

Outside of the church, Warren was a member of the Golden Gate Lodge 78 Masonic Order, Eastern Community Center, and the Sumter County Black Farmers Co-opt.

Daddy was a workaholic. He was employed during his work career by several companies which included: BL Montague, Campbell Soup Company, Georgia Pacific, Morris College Security and Security Management. In addition, he was a lifelong farmer. Planting, tilling, and harvesting brought him the greatest joy. Farming flowed through his veins. It afforded him the opportunity to become a successful entrepreneur. He took pride in acknowledging that he was the planter, but it was God who provided the growth and harvest. In retirement, his specialty crops were collards, cabbage, turnips, okra and field peas. Fresh veggies were plentiful enough to serve the entire community.

His love and impact upon his family was profound. He was married to the late Inez Davis Lesane for 50 years, who preceded him in death in 2003. He leaves to cherish his memory six children: Della L. Hammond (Steven) Charlotte NC, Gearlene L. Washington Raleigh NC, Rev. Dr. Byron R. Lesane (Ivyl) Daytona Beach FL, Janice L. Katambwa Belleville IL, Warren Lesane, Jr. Richmond VA, and Warrenell L. Spindle (Linwood) Richmond VA, four grandchildren: Phillip and Steven Hammond, Berne' Washington, and Linwood Spindle, Jr, four great grands: Nathaniel, Linwood III, Crystal, and Naomi Spindle, five sisters: Maggie Farrow, Katie Monroe, Lillie Robinson, Mary Jones and Esther Hubbard, four Brothers: Adam Lesane, Junious Lesane, Carl Lesane and Benjamin Lesane and a host of other relative and friends.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

DEC **29**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Masonic Rites

DEC **29**. 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM (ET)

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304 South Main St.
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Celebration of Life

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

Goodwill Presbyterian Church (USA)
295 North Brick Church Rd
Mayesville, SC

Tribute Wall



“ *Warren Julius Lesane Sr.*

October 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *I remember dove hunting with my father and my sons many falls in the large fields between the house and the Brick Church over 30 years ago. Mr Lesane was good to all of us and a true gentleman. Although it has been a long time since we have been together, we all have good memories of those times. Peace be with all. Arland Compton*

arland compton - January 09, 2017 at 09:33 AM



“ *Our sincere condolences to the Lesane Family. Gerleane our prayers are certainly with you and Berne's.*



Wanda Foxworth Fike - December 30, 2016 at 05:15 PM



“ *In the loss of one who was so dear! My sympathy to the Lesane family, I share in your loss. Mr. Pack was a kind and gentle soul, always so friendly and pleasant. May he rest in peace and may God comfort you.*

Charles and Lou Parrott

Lou Parrott - December 30, 2016 at 01:16 PM

JC

“ *My sincere sympathy to all of you in the passing of your father. I always remember his garden but especially the greens--they were always beautiful and tasty. Be blessed*

Julie Ceasar

Julie Ceasar - December 30, 2016 at 07:39 AM

GH

“ *A pillar of the community that will surely be missed. My condolences and prayers to the family.*

Gail J. Hampton

Gail Hampton - December 30, 2016 at 03:50 AM

CL

“ *Cynthia Lesesne-Currie lit a candle in memory of Warren Julius Lesane Sr.*



Cynthia Lesesne-Currie - December 29, 2016 at 09:37 PM

KW

“ *Mr. Pack sleep on and take your rest. You were such a kind heart...enjoy so many collards and pecans and especially the light hearted jokes. Like when I would say Mr. Pack I'll take five bunches of collards and you'd respond, "yes, I like to see you take my collards", and burst out laughing.*

To the family we are praying for you and believes your loss is heaven's gain. Minister Katie G. Williams and family

Katie G Williams - December 29, 2016 at 02:26 PM

DD

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Uncle Pack was amazing and lived an remarkable life. We know it's difficult to see beyond the sorrow, may looking back in memory help comfort you tomorrow. Those we hold closet to our hearts never truly leave. They live on in the kindness they shared and the love they brought into your lives. I know we can't make your pain go away, but we want you to know we are here with a shoulder or an ear or anything else you need. We love you.

*London & Deborah Davis
Simpsonville, SC*

Deborah Davis - December 29, 2016 at 12:09 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Warren Julius Lesane Sr..



December 29, 2016 at 12:02 PM

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“ Our condolences to the Lesane Family. While serving as a student intern under care of the Atlantic United Presbyterian Church under the pastoral of Dr. Franklin D. Colcough. I received the privilege of meeting the Goodwill Presbyterian Church Family and people in the Mayesville, SC area. The late Elder Warren J. Lesane, Sr. , was a professional farmer and a people person. I will always be grateful for his words of encouragement to me. The Lesane Family welcome me into their family and church family with care along love in action. Special thanks to Dr. Warren Lesane, Jr., (clergy)and Dr. Byron R. Lesane (clergy & brother of the Craft) Prayers. Peace. Rev Ralph j. Singleton,33.

Ralph j. Singleton 33 - December 29, 2016 at 11:37 AM

JC

“ Thinking of you all at this time of your loss..Prayers out to the family. Jackie Cooper, Columbia Sc



Jackie Cooper - December 28, 2016 at 05:50 AM

TJ

Mr.Lesane was our family we all loved him dearly. Him and my daddy often introduced each other as their brother. I know they are catching up with each other now. That laugh of his and that smile. I will miss him so very much. What an amazing kind and generous man.

Tammy Drawdy Johnson
Sumter SC

Tammy Drawdy Johnson - December 28, 2016 at 01:31 PM

JS

Sorry to hear about your loss. I am keeping you & your family in my prayers.

Julia Smith - December 29, 2016 at 09:34 AM

GH

Mr. Pack: A pillar of the Goodwill community and he will surely be missed. It's like losing a member of my own family. My condolences and prayers to the family during this difficult time. May the peace of our Lord and Savior be with each of you.

Gail J. Hampton

Gail J. Hampton - December 29, 2016 at 12:07 PM

MD

Mr. Lesane was a dear friend to my father, Charles Deas of Rembert, SC. We reflected on the days that he would have his daughters and other family members bring him to visit our father after his illness due to a stroke. Each and every visit was a joy to our father and we realized that they share a true bond on friendship. WE extend our heartfelt condolences and Wish you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your heart.

Sincerely,

Charles Deas and Family

Michael Deas - December 29, 2016 at 05:46 PM

CL

Thinking of you at this most difficult time. You have our deepest condolences. From the Eastern Lesesne/Lesane kinfolk club

Cynthia Lesesne-Currie - December 29, 2016 at 09:32 PM

SK

Warren Lasane, Jr. and family. Our condolences to you and your family. Precious memories are with you. Keeping you and family "close in heart."

*Shawqu and Cukye (Nelson) Khaalid
Sumter, SC*

Shawqu and Cukye (Nelson) Khaalid - December 30, 2016 at 08:29 AM

MK

Warren Lasane, Michel and Antoinette Kayembe Tudi tuela mioyi ya mabungama kudi Janice Lasane Katambua hohamua ne bana beba bonsu ne tulomba muena kulu ikala neba too ne patuamonanga kabibi.moyi web wikisha kudi muena kulu

Michel Kayembe - January 10, 2017 at 11:56 AM