



Leevern Sumter

April 10, 2025

Leevern Sumter was born on July 7, 1957, in Florence County, South Carolina, to the late Annie Burt Jones and Freddie Williams. He peacefully entered into eternal rest on Wednesday, April 9, 2025.

Leevern received his education in the Green Sea County School System and was employed at Walmart until his health began to decline. He was a devoted husband, father, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend. At an early age, he married the love of his life, Paula, and together they raised two sons, Joshua and Lorenzo Sumter.

In addition to his parents, Leevern was preceded in death by his grandmothers, Mae Dell Sumter and Virginia Williams; his grandfather, Midison Williams; and his brother-in-law, Howard Jackson James.

Left to cherish his loving memory are his devoted wife, Paula Sumter; two sons, Joshua (Becky) Sumter and Lorenzo (Nikki) Sumter, both of Florence, South Carolina; one brother, Troy (Michelle) Dixon of Roanoke, Virginia; three grandsons, Joshua Sumter, Jr. and Jeremiah Sumter of Pensacola, Florida, and Christopher Sumter of Florence, South Carolina; one granddaughter, Zoe Chanel Pooler, also of Florence, South Carolina.

He is also survived by three sisters-in-law, Emma Louise (Thurman) Williams

of Fair Bluff, North Carolina, Margaret James of Green Acres, North Carolina, and Charlene Evans of Camden, New Jersey; one brother-in-law, Johnny James Smith of Fair Bluff, North Carolina; three aunts, Sadie Stackhouse of Cerro Gordo, North Carolina, Eva Smith of Loris, South Carolina, and Operature Smith Wilson; and a special cousin and godmother, Janie Mae Rush Keith.

Leevern will be deeply missed by a host of other loving relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

APR 18. 1:00 PM (ET)

Savannah Grove Baptist Church
2620 Alligator Rd
Effingham, SC 29541
(843) 662-7851

Burial

APR 18 (ET)

Nowlin Cemetery
Effingham, SC 29541

Tribute Wall

TJ

“ I am so sorry to hear of Bother Leevern passing. I am definitely shocked. God makes no mistakes. To be absent from this body is to be present with the Lord God Almighty! Until then my Brother, farewell. /G\



Terrence James - April 19, 2025 at 06:39 AM

GH

Mr. Leevern was a very soft spoken person, but his voice when singing, was very strong and heart reaching. He will be missed by the church family. To Ms. Paula and other family members, we will continue to pray for your strength as you toggle through this dismal time in your life. Remember, in the kingdom of God, you are never alone. 🙏

Gwendolyn Hunter-James - April 19, 2025 at 07:57 PM

KM

“ Paula, I am so sorry for your loss. I got to know Levern, and you when he was employed at Walmart years ago. He was always pleasant and willing to help in any way while he was employed there. I will continue to keep you and your family in my thoughts and prayers. God bless you and strengthen you during this time.



Katie McWhite - April 18, 2025 at 04:21 PM

MJ

“ Dear Paula, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May God keep and bless all of you during this difficult time. I will miss seeing you and Brother Sumter together. God bless.

Mildred Johnson - April 18, 2025 at 11:36 AM

LM

“ My deepest condolences to family and he was a nice guy and his wife is such a sweet heart. I will be saying a prayer for family.



Lena Mckithen - April 18, 2025 at 09:53 AM

AN

“ Paula, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Leevern. Me and Leevern shared a special bond. We got baptized the same day under Dr Ralph W Canty at Savannah Grove Baptist Church. I'm going to miss his heavenly voice.

Angela - April 18, 2025 at 07:28 AM

CJ

“ Paula , I was sorry to hear of Leevern's passing. He was such a nice person dedicated husband and father. I am praying for you and the family during this difficult times. May God give you strength during this difficult time. Carietha Jackson Savannah Grove Baptist Church.

Carietha Jackson - April 18, 2025 at 04:16 AM

CG

“ I was saddened to hear about your loss."
"I am thinking of you and your family during this difficult time."
"May you find comfort in the memories of your loved one."

Carolyn Greene - April 17, 2025 at 09:54 PM

CG

“ Carolyn Greene lit a candle in memory of
Leevern Sumter



Carolyn Greene - April 17, 2025 at 09:51 PM

EH

“ To the Sumter Family,prayers &love to you.Las t tme i saw you both
were @ the Dr. Office .God blessing&strength to you.
Eutelia H.DeasFamily.

Eutelia HDeas - April 15, 2025 at 12:49 PM

BR

“ My condolences and prayers to the Sumter family. Paula keep up
your spirits. I will miss seeing you two together but I have many
memories to cherish that moments we all shared.

Beverly Robinson - April 14, 2025 at 12:24 PM