



The Obituary

For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith...

II Timothy 4:6-7

Samuel Pack was born on August 9, 1940 in Manhattan, NY to the late Mary Carpenter Spann and the late Jessie Glisson. He was raised by the late Martha Pack of Sumter, SC. God in His Infinite wisdom, called Samuel to his heavenly home on Friday, June 13, 2014 at his residence in Paxville, SC.

“*Sammie*”, as he was affectionately called, attended the public schools of Clarendon County, graduating from Manchester High School in Pinewood, SC and received his college degree in New York City, NY. Through the years, his career included employment as a New York City Bus Driver for 15 years and later served, until his retirement, as a New York City Police Officer in Brooklyn, New York, for 21 years. While serving as an officer, he was a recipient of the “Officer of the year”, in 1993. “*Sammie*” completed numerous continuing education courses at the New York City Police Academy. After relocating to Sumter, SC in 1994, he became an honorable and dedicated member of the Bernie’s Elk Lodge, #1195, of Sumter, SC. In addition, he was also employed by Central Carolina Technical College in Sumter, SC during his leisure time. “*Sammie*” had a special love and talent for gospel singing and sang with many quartet groups. He was a member of the LaGree AME Church of Sumter, SC.

“*Sammie*” was preceded by one sister, Blondell Conyers and one brother-in-law, Benjamin Anderson.

Those left to cherish his memory, his loving and devoted wife, Lula Cantey Pack of 53 years; three children, Melvenia (Leon) Riley of Sumter, SC, Tony (Cynthia) Pack of Paxville, SC and Jeffrey Pack of the home; three sisters, Janie (Billy) Olden of Sumter, SC, Eloise Harvin and Rose (Woodrow) Ford of Sumter, SC; one brother, Doris (Dee) Medley; five grandchildren, Parez (Shamiel) Riley of Columbia, SC, Shaun (Cherrell) Riley of Sumter, SC, Stefon Pack, Isaiah Pack both of Brooklyn, NY and Christopher Pack of Paxville, SC; one great grandchild, Arianna Riley; three brothers-in-law, Alvin Cantey of Silver, SC, Tommy (Daisy) Cantey of Macon, GA and Miles (Betty) Cantey of Paxville, SC; three sisters-in-law, Bernice (Henry) McKinney of Union, NJ, Betty Anderson of Newark, NJ and Margaretta Cantey of Brooklyn, NY; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.