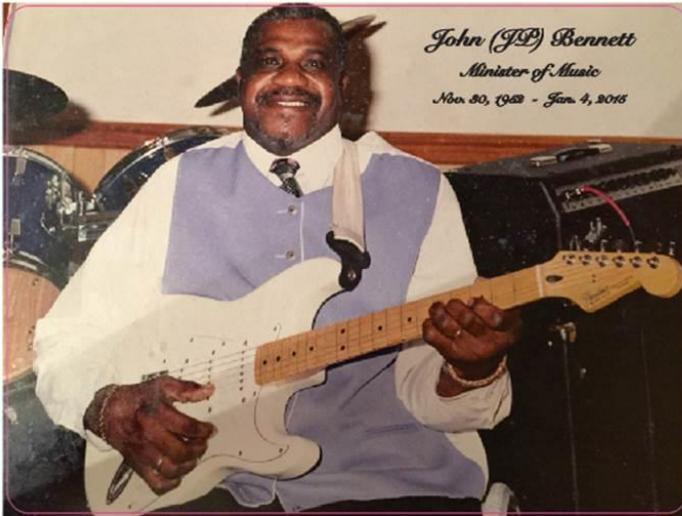


John Ervin “JB” Bennett



A light has been dimmed, a bright smile has been lost, a beautiful spirit is absent from this earth, but present with Christ.

Mr. John “JB” Ervin Bennett, was born November 30, 1952 in Clarendon County. He was the eleventh child born to the late Mr. Josephus and Queen E. Tindal Bennett. He exchanged his cross for a crown on January 4, 2015 at Charlie Northwood VAMC in Augusta, GA.

JB was educated in the public schools of Clarendon County and was a 1970 graduate of Scott’s Branch High School. After graduation he joined the US Armed Forces and served his country faithfully until he was honorably discharged. He was formerly employed by Clarendon District I as a Transporter.

He was a lifelong member of Prayer House Mission Church and served the church in several capacities. He was the Minister of Music, Church Treasurer, Trustee, Sunday School Teacher and was an important part of the church. He also was a member of the Clarendon County Gospel Train. “JB” was a humble man who had a passion for music. His gifts truly made room for him and he travelled doing what he loved and recorded several songs. He shared that passion for music with others and has taught a countless number of musicians to play various instruments and how to be committed and dedicated to their craft.

He was also well versed in scripture and had a way of dissecting the word for everyone to understand. He never let life’s obstacles stop him from looking on the brighter side of life. He always had an encouraging word or a joke to make anyone smile. It was impossible to be in his presence and not feel joy. JB always let his “light shine”.

He is predeceased by his parents; a sister, Phoebe Brunson; five brothers, Nathaniel, Eddie, Johnny, Josephus Jr., and Alphonso Bennett. His awesome and loving spirit will be celebrated by his wife, Daisy Johnson Bennett; a daughter, Melissa Palmer of Cottageville, GA; six sisters, Idelle Howell of Elloree, Gladys Robinson, Blondell Bannister, Ointernetta Bennett of

Summerton, Diane (Pastor James) Lesane and Pastor Eartha (Perry) Carter both of Manning; two brothers, Warren (Helen) Bennett and James (Lisa) Brunson both of Summerton; two goddaughters, Jasmine Mitchell and Madison Lomax; a God son, James Ronald Brunson; three sisters-in-law, Sadie Bennett of Brooklyn, NY, Kathleen Bennett of Summerton, and Pastor Loretta (Allen) Sumpter of Santee; two brothers-in-law, Frank Brunson and Stacey (Lydia) Johnson both of Summerton; five grandchildren; an aunt, Elizabeth Bennett of Loris; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends; a special niece and caretaker, Easter Cutina Johnson; a special friend who became a niece, Kimberly Haywood and his nurse, Beth Giddens.