

THE LIFE & LEGACY OF *Harold Palmer*

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

II Timothy 4:7-8 (NIV)

Harold Palmer was born on August 8, 1953, in St. Matthews, SC. He was the fourth son of the late Alфонia and Kathleen H. Palmer. He departed from labor to reward on Sunday, January 25, 2025, at the Medical University of South Carolina, formerly known as Orangeburg-Calhoun Regional Medical Center.

He received his formal education within the Calhoun County School District. He attended Fort Motte Elementary and John Ford High School. Harold was united in Holy Matrimony to the former Dianne Fredrick. They were blessed with four children, Barbara, Harold, Jr., Joshua and Damien. He was preceded in death by his daughter, Barbara Fogle and sons, Joshua and Harrison Palmer.

He is survived by his wife, Dianne, two sons, Harold, Jr., and Damien: Five grandchildren, Jessica, Angel, Jashauna, Devony and Seven. He will be sorely missed by his five living siblings, Earline Scott, Margaret Palmer, and Millie (Brian) Coles of Washington, DC, Catherine (Willie) Brown and Richard Palmer of St Matthews, along with many nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, four brothers-in-law and a sister-in-law. Harold was a member of St. Stephen Baptist church and served faithfully until his health declined. He was also a prominent member of the Jubilee Juniors (gospel group) and served faithfully for many years.

Living most of his adult life in Saith Matthews, Harold enjoyed working with horses. He was gainfully employed by Weinges Farm (riding horses), Henry Carroll Farm (riding horses) and Webb Carroll Farm (assistant trainer).

Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL AND FINAL FAREWELL

Family and Clergy

SELECTION

Deaconess Catherine Brown

OLD TESTAMENT

Psalm 23

Earline Scott

NEW TESTAMENT

Philippines 3: 20-21

Earline Scott

PRAYER

Margaret A. Palmer

SELECTION

Deaconess Catherine Brown

REMARKS (TWO MINUTES PLEASE)

Family and Friends

POEM

Jessica Palmer

SELECTION

Elder Juan P. Brown

WORDS OF COMFORT

Elder Juan P. Brown

PRELUDE

COMMITTAL, PRAYER, BENEDICTION

Pallbearers
FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Floral Bearers
FAMILY AND FRIENDS

I'm There Inside Your Heart

RIGHT NOW, I'M IN A DIFFERENT PLACE
AND THOUGH WE SEEM APART
I'M CLOSER THAN I EVER WAS,
I'M THERE INSIDE YOUR HEART.
I'M WITH YOU WHEN YOU GREET EACH DAY
AND WHILE THE SUN SHINES BRIGHT
I'M THERE TO SHARE THE SUNSETS, TOO
I'M WITH YOU EVERY NIGHT.
I'M WITH YOU WHEN THE TIMES ARE GOOD
TO SHARE A LAUGH OR TWO,
AND IF A TEAR SHOULD START TO FALL
I'LL STILL BE THERE FOR YOU,
AND WHEN THAT DAY ARRIVES
THAT WE NO LONGER ARE APART,
I'LL SMILE AND HOLD YOU CLOSE TO ME,
YOU ARE FOREVER IN MY HEART.

Expression of Gratitude

THE PALMER FAMILY WISHES TO EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE TO FRIENDS, LOVED ONES AND THE COMMUNITY WHO SURROUNDED US WITH LOVE. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS, WHICH ENCOURAGED OUR FAITH; FOR YOUR KIND WORDS, THAT ENCOURAGED OUR HEARTS; FOR YOUR PRESENCE THAT COMFORTED US; FOR YOUR THOUGHTFULNESS WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED. MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU.

IN LOVING
Memory of



Harold Lard Palmer

ALPHA
AUGUST 8, 1953

OMEGA
JANUARY 25, 2026

Thursday, February 5, 2026
2:00 PM

JP Holley Funeral Home St. Matthews Chapel
102 Church St Street, Matthews, SC 29135
Elder Juan P. Brown, Officiating



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