



Samuel Bennett Sr.

October 21, 1941 - February 3, 2025

Samuel Bennett Sr. was born on October 21, 1941 in Midnight, Mississippi to Roosevelt and Carrie Ruth Bennett, beginning a life filled with purpose and devotion. At a young age, he accepted Christ, laying the foundation for a lifetime of faith and service.

On August 30, 1964, Samuel married Johnnie Mae Bennett in Midnight, Mississippi, starting a beautiful journey together. They later moved to Louise, MS to begin their family and eventually settled in Kankakee, IL, where Samuel raised his children, instilling in them the values of love, kindness, and compassion. After retiring from American Spring and Wire, Samuel enjoyed spending time with family and friends, creating lasting memories. He had a passion for hunting with his late brother, Roosevelt Bennett Jr., and loved to cook, sharing his culinary gifts with those around him.

Deeply committed to his faith, Samuel became a member of the New Jerusalem Seventh-Day Adventist Church, where he was baptized and dedicated his life to the Lord.

Samuel's legacy will be cherished by his sons, Samuel Bennett Jr. (Shmeka) of Gulfport, MS, and Larry Bennett (Etopia) of Kankakee, IL; his daughters, Tonya Baron (Lionel) of Kankakee, IL, Sharon Craig (Paul) of DeSoto, TX, and Ingrid Gilliam of Lithonia, GA; his siblings, Ruth Skinner of Harvey, IL, Clory

Scott (Clinton) of Phoenix, IL, and Ora Ellis of Hazel Crest, IL; 24 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews who loved him dearly.

Samuel was preceded in death by his father, Roosevelt Bennett Sr.; his mother, Carrie Ruth Bennett; his beloved wife of 54 years, Johnnie Mae Bennett, his son, Ron Christopher Bennett; his daughter, Amy Bennett; his brother, Roosevelt Bennett Jr.; his sister, Clara Ellis; his grandson, Demetrius Bennett and granddaughters, Andrea and Lateisha Bennett.

Dad, your soul is now at peace, and your life's work will continue to inspire and uplift us. Your legacy is a blessing, and the memories we have of you will be treasured forever. We love you and will miss you dearly.

Cemetery Details

Mound Grove Cemetery

1000 N. Greenwood
Kankakee, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

New Vision MB Church
1501 E. Merchant Street
Kankakee, IL 60901

Service

FEB 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LH

“ To the Bennett family, I'm sorry to hear about the passing of Sam. I send my deepest condolences!



lynn holloway - February 19, 2025 at 07:55 PM

SF

“ Condolences and Prayers to the Bennett family. May GOD comfort and strengthen you 🙏🌺



Samuels Family - February 19, 2025 at 04:55 PM

JT

“ My Deepest condolences to the family, Lafayette sends his condolences, RIP my neighbor



Joanne Tucker - February 14, 2025 at 09:46 AM

AB

“ Aunt Ida Mae Guider & Cousin Gloria Broomfied purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Samuel Bennett Sr..



Aunt Ida Mae Guider & Cousin Gloria Broomfied - February 13, 2025 at 03:52 PM

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“ Aunt Ida Mae Guider & Cousin Gloria Broomfied planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Samuel Bennett Sr..

Aunt Ida Mae Guider & Cousin Gloria Broomfied - February 13, 2025 at 03:52 PM

CW

“ My Condolences to the family. Sending Prayers.



Cheryl Wilson - February 13, 2025 at 11:41 AM

TW

“ Terry Wilson-Lloyd lit a candle in memory of Samuel Bennett



Terry Wilson-Lloyd - February 13, 2025 at 09:26 AM