

**Hallbearers**  
Nephews and Friends

**Flower Bearers**  
Nieces and Friends

**Reflection:**

**The Last Request**

Please don't say that I gave up, just say that I gave in.  
Don't say that I lost the battle, for it was God's war to lose or win.  
Please don't say how good I was, but say I did my best.  
Just say I tried to do what's right, to give the most I could, not less.  
Please don't give me wings or halos, that's for God to do.  
I want no more than I deserve, no extras – just my due!  
Please don't give me flowers or talk in real hushed tones.  
Don't be concerned about me now. I'm well with God.  
I've made it home. Don't talk about my illness, it's over and done.  
Just see to all my family's needs, especially my loved ones.  
When you draw a picture of me, don't draw me as a saint.  
I've done some good. I've done some wrong so use all your paint.  
Not just the bright and light tones – use some gray and dark.  
In fact, don't put me down on canvas; paint me in your heart.  
Don't just remember the good times, but also remember the bad.  
For life is full of many things, some happy and some sad.  
But if you must do something, then I have one request  
Forgive me for the wrong I've done, and with the love that's left.  
Thank God for my soul's resting.  
Thank God for I've been blessed.  
Thank God for all who love me.  
Praise God who loves me best!

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**Home-Going Services**  
for  
**Mr. Ray Charles Waldon**



Saturday, February 17, 2007  
3:00 p.m.

Good Hope C.M.E. Church  
1114 St. Paul Church Road  
Gilbert, South Carolina

Reverend Jacob Middleton, Pastor Officiating



# Obituary

**MR. RAY CHARLES WALDON** was born May 30, 1937 in Darian, Georgia. He departed this earthly life on Monday, February 12, 2007. He was the son of the late Paul Jr. and Nellie Mae Waldon.

Mr. Waldon was educated in the public schools of Darian, Georgia. He was married to Barbara Pickens Waldon. He loved the church and worshipped the Lord at Bethel C.M.E. Church, Johnston, South Carolina on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays and Good Hope C.M.E. Church, Gilbert, South Carolina on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays for 16 years. He served as Sunday School Superintendent, Steward, Sunday School Teacher, member of the Men's Chorus, Class Leader and a Lay Speaker. Sixteen siblings preceded Mr. Waldon in death.

He leaves to cherish his precious memories: a loving wife – Barbara P. Waldon of the home; one son – Jarrod Peay of Columbia, South Carolina; two stepchildren – Darren Peay of New York and Deirdre Summers of Gilbert, South Carolina; four brothers – Paul (Nancy) Waldon, Jr. of Darian, Georgia, Wesley Waldon of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Robert Lee Waldon of Winston-Salem, North Carolina and Roland Waldon of Olanda, California; four sisters – Harveysteen Polke of Reed, Georgia, Mary Lee Waldon of Akron, Ohio, Ruby Waldon of Miami, Florida and Cathy Waldon of Winston-Salem, North Carolina; mother-in-law – Margaret Pickens of Batesburg-Leesville, South Carolina; two brothers-in-law – William L. Jackson of Ward, South Carolina and Sammie L. Gortman of Columbia, South Carolina; six sisters-in-law – Nancy and Dorothy Jackson, both of Batesburg-Leesville, South Carolina, Betty Gortman of Columbia, Juretha Merritt of Lexington, South Carolina, Jeanette Waldon of Darian, Georgia and Nancy Waldon of Reed, Georgia; two god-children – Marcques and Darnisha Smith, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and many sorrowing friends.

# Order of Service

*Reverend Jacob Middleton, Officiating*

PROCESSIONAL .....Soft Music

HYMN .....“We Are Marching Up To Zion”

THE APOSTLE’S CREED

SCRIPTURE READING

OLD TESTAMENT .....Psalm 24

NEW TESTAMENT .....1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 4:13-18

PRAYER

SELECTION .....“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

REMARKS ..... Rev. Billy Thompson

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

SELECTION .....“O I Want to See Him”

WORDS OF COMFORT ..... Rev. Lena Mae Williams

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**INTERMENT**

Good Hope C.M.E. Church Cemetery  
Gilbert, South Carolina

## In Appreciation

*The family of the late Ray Charles Waldon wishes to express their sincere gratitude and deep appreciation for your many prayers and acts of kindness. A special thank you to Lexington Medical Center and Heartland Hospice for their tender care of our beloved.*