



Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.

January 30, 1945 - March 11, 2023

It is with deep sorrow that Mrs. Sarah Logan Copeland announces the death of her beloved husband, Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr., 78.

Mr. Copeland entered into rest on Saturday, March 11, 2023. The Directors of Hancock-Elmore-Hill Funeral Home are caring for the family.

A funeral service to honor his life will be held at 11 o'clock on Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at First Baptist Church of Bishopville, with The Rev. Keith Allison officiating. The family will receive friends from 5:00 until 7:00 pm on Monday, March 13, 2023, at Hancock-Elmore-Hill Funeral Home. A private family burial with Military Honors will be held at Florence National Cemetery.

Memorials may be made in his honor to the American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 7023, Merrifield, VA 22116, or First Baptist Church of Bishopville, 229 W. Church Street, Bishopville, SC 29010.

Born in Sumter, SC, he was the son of the late Samuel Copeland and the late Vivian Baker Copeland. After graduating high school, Sam served his country in the United States Air Force and was a member of the American Legion Post #29.

He held several jobs before moving to Bishopville. Sam was a simple person.

He loved cooking and put his talents to work running The Secret Garden Restaurant. Sam was a member of First Baptist Church in Bishopville, where he served as a Deacon, taught Sunday School, and cooked Wednesday Night Supper. Before retiring full-time, Sam also worked for Dollar General as an Assistant Manager and Manager.

He is survived by his loving wife, Sarah Logan Copeland; sister, Janice Alford; and a host of in-laws, nieces, and nephews.

Serving as Honorary Pallbearers will be: Dennis Roberts, Charles Jackson, Tim DuBose, Ray Arrants, Tracy Boyles, Russ Dowhower, Merriell Foxworth, Sam Garrick, David Watson, Roy Atkinson, Ernest Thigpen, and Jerry Adams.

Cemetery Details

Florence National Cemetery

850 Stockade Drive
Florence, SC 29506

Previous Events

Funeral Service

MAR 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church
229 W. Church Street
Bishopville, SC 29550

Visitation

MAR 14 (ET)

First Baptist Church
229 W. Church St.
Bishopville, SC

The Fellowship Hall - Immediately following the service.

Tribute Wall



“ Hancock-Elmore-Hill Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.



Hancock-Elmore-Hill Funeral Home - March 13, 2023 at 03:57 PM



“ Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.

October 08, 2023 at 04:16 PM



“ Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.

March 25, 2023 at 11:01 AM



“ Hugh Tindal lit a candle in memory of Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.



hugh tindal - March 15, 2023 at 09:34 AM

BE

“ *Bobbie Elmore lit a candle in memory of Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.*



Bobbie Elmore - March 13, 2023 at 05:59 PM

VB

“ *Virginia Branham sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.*



Virginia Branham - March 13, 2023 at 03:46 PM

VB

“ *Virginia Branham lit a candle in memory of Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.*



Virginia Branham - March 13, 2023 at 03:44 PM

RH

“ *Rosalie Hyatt lit a candle in memory of Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.*



Rosalie Hyatt - March 13, 2023 at 11:01 AM

DM

“ Debra Mims lit a candle in memory of Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.



Debra Mims - March 13, 2023 at 09:11 AM

MB

“ Matt And Betsy Bramlett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.



Matt and Betsy Bramlett - March 13, 2023 at 06:33 AM

CM

“ Clara McElveen lit a candle in memory of Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.



Clara McElveen - March 12, 2023 at 02:57 PM

CM

Sarah so sorry to hear of the loss of your precious husband. May God give you comfort, strength and peace in the days ahead. Clara McElveen

Clara McElveen - March 12, 2023 at 02:59 PM

TC

“ Terri Hopkins Camp & Will Camp lit a candle in memory of Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.



Terri Hopkins Camp & Will Camp - March 12, 2023 at 11:52 AM

AA

“ Archie And Kay Amerson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.



Archie and Kay Amerson - March 12, 2023 at 09:33 AM

JB

“ Our deepest sympathy. Lemuel and Jewell Bounds.



Jewell Bounds - March 12, 2023 at 08:52 AM

DC

“ Della Clark lit a candle in memory of Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.



Della Clark - March 11, 2023 at 07:23 PM



“ *Norman And Iris Hayes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Samuel Lankford Copeland Jr.*



Norman and Iris Hayes - March 11, 2023 at 06:44 PM