

**Flower Bearer**  
*Family and Friends*

**Pall Bearers**  
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**Psalm 23**

*The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want, He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; Thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: And I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.*

**Acknowledgment**

*Words cannot express the gratitude and appreciation that we, the family of James "Granddaddy" Ray, have for you.*

*We thank you for your many deeds, encouraging words, prayers, telephone calls, visits and expressions of love shown to James and our family during his illness and out time of bereavement.  
May God continue to Bless You!*

**-The Family**

*Final Arrangements Lovingly Entrusted To:*

**PEOPLES FUNERAL HOME**  
*Athens, Alabama*

*Celebration of Life*

*for*

*Mr. James Franklin Ray*

*"Granddaddy"*

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*Saturday, July 14, 2001  
1:00 P.M.*

*Fletcher's Chapel Primitive Baptist Church  
Madison, Alabama*

**Reverend Kenneth Lankford, Jr., Officiating**

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### *A Time to Work...*

*He accepted Christ at an early age, a baptized believer and was a member of Red Bank Baptist Church, Town Creek, Alabama. He was employed for numerous years by Miller and Miller Construction. He was and inspirer and friend to all he knew.*

### *A Times to Live. . .*

*He lived in Limestone County, Alabama his entire live. His parents were Willie and Alice (McDonald) Ray and he had an adored younger sister, Lillie (Ray) Walker.*

### *A time to die. . .*

*He departed from this world on Tuesday, July 10, 2001, to begin his eternal life with our Heavenly Father.*

### *A time to mourn. . .*

He is survived by his devoted and cherished wife, Bertha R. Ray, step-children, Sharon (Kendall) Gamble, Stone Mountain, Georgia, Darryl (Belinda) Watkins, Lithonia, Georgia and Steve Watkins, Chattanooga, Tennessee; devoted sister, Susie N. (Melbert) Lee, brother-in-law, Tommy Walker all of Knoxville, Tennessee; sisters and brothers-in-law, Lorene (Robert), Christine, Joe Jr. (Annie Pearl), James (Maple), Roosevelt (Viola), John Willie all of Athens, Alabama, Annie Mae Watkins of Chattanooga, Tennessee, George (Barbara Jean), Quillie (Lucille) all of Huntsville, Alabama; adored step-children, Deon, Jamal, Darryl II, Kevin and Kayla, many devoted aunts, uncles, Coreen Spangler and Taft McDonald both of Town Creek, Alabama and Tom McDonald (Ann) of Chattanooga, Tennessee, a great aunt Ellen Ray of Leighton, Alabama, a loyal and devoted special god-brother and sister Hubert and Marie Ward; god-nieces, Sharon (Glenn and Erica) and Christie (Alphonso and Dezmond) all of Athens, Alabama, a host of devoted cousins, extended family members and special friends.

### *The Order of Services*

PRELUDE.....Soft Music

#### **Family Visitation**

12:30 – 1:00 P.M.

MUSICAL SELCETION.....Fletcher's Chapel Choir

#### **SCRIPTURE**

Old Testament Reading  
New Testament Reading

#### **PRAYER**

#### **FAMILY TRIBUTES**

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.....Edmonia Lankford

SOLO.....Zelma Lockhart

EULOGY.....Pastor Kenneth Lankford, Jr.  
Fletcher's Chapel P.B. Church

#### **RECESSIONAL**



#### **Interment**

Warren Cemetery  
Town Creek, Alabama