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**Rufus Key Sr.**

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*Funeral Services*  
*for*



**MR. RUFUS KEY, SR.**

Sunday, December 2, 1990 - 3:00 p.m.

**James R. Barnes Mortuary Chapel**

Statesboro, Georgia

Rev. Julius Abraham, Officiating

Rev. Japan Holmes, Pastor

Burial - Church Cemetery



*Another Service By James R. Barnes Mortuary, Statesboro, Ga.*

# Obituary

Mr. Rufus Key, Sr. was born on January 23, 1927 to Mrs. Alberta Key Ramsey in Screven County, Georgia. He departed this life on November 28, 1990.

Mr. Key was a retired employee of Claude Howard Lumber Company.

He leaves to mourn his passing, three daughters, Mrs. Thelma Louise Cooper of Statesboro, Ga., Miss Lillie Mae Key and Miss Leola Key, both of Cincinnati, Ohio; two sons, Mr. Bobby Key and Mr. Rufus Key, Jr., both of Statesboro, Ga.; his mother, Mrs. Alberta Ramsey of Cincinnati, Ohio; three brothers, Mr. Curtis Ramsey, Mr. Charles Ramsey and Mr. Willie Ramsey, all of Cincinnati, Ohio; two sisters, Ms. Ruth Helen Reynolds and Ms. Virginia Ramsey, both of Cincinnati, Ohio; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; several nieces, nephews and other relatives.



## SHOULD YOU GO FIRST AND I REMAIN

*Should you go first and I remain, to walk the road alone,  
I'll live in memory's garden dear, with happy days we've known,  
In Spring I'll wait for Roses red, when fades the Lilacs blue,  
In early Fall when brown leaves fall I'll catch a glimpse of you.*

*Should you go first and I remain, with battles to be fought,  
Each thing you've touched along the way, will be a hallowed spot,  
I'll see you smile, I'll hear your voice, though blindly I may  
grope*

*The memory of your helping hand will lead me on with hope.  
Should you go first and I remain to finish with the scroll,  
No lengthing shadows shall creep in, to make this life seem droll,  
We've known so much of happiness, we've had our cup of joy,  
and memory is our gift of God that death cannot destroy.*

*Should you go first and I remain, one thing I'll have you do,  
Walk slowly down the path of death, for soon I'll follow you.*

# Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL

SELECTION ..... James R. Barnes Choir

INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE

SELECTION ..... James R. Barnes Choir

REMARKS ..... Mr. Billy Hendrix

SELECTION ..... James R. Barnes Choir

EULOGY ..... Rev. Julius Abraham

VIEWING

RECESSIONAL

## Pallbearers

Bro. Billy Hendrix  
Bro. Styles Davis  
Bro. Lucious Timmons

Bro. Robert Byrd  
Bro. Willie Wells  
Bro. Russell Reed

## Floral Attendants

Sis. Rose Hendrix  
Sis. Rosalee Moore  
Sis. Wyomia Timmons

Sis. Selrya Roberson  
Sis. Shirley Wells



## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family is at a lost for words to express our gratitude to all of you. The family would like to thank you for your presence, prayers, phone calls, telegrams, flowers, food and many acts of kindness shown us during our sorrow. May God forever bless and keep you all.

The Family