



Semore Ladson, Jr.

November 1, 1950 - October 31, 2025

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Semore Ladson Jr was born in Columbia, South Carolina, on November 1, 1950. He was

The son of the late Semore Sr. and Marie Green Ladson. He accepted Christ in his

youth and was baptized at First Nazareth Baptist Church of Columbia, S.C.

Semore was educated in the Richland County Public Schools. He was an avid debater

in class as well as being a high achiever. He was awarded the Scholastic Award for Star

Student, based on his SAT performance and gained admission to the University of South

Carolina in 1968, where he earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration in 1972.

Semore was united in Holy matrimony with Carolyn Gillie before moving to Atlanta, Georgia in 1972.

He started a career in the insurance industry before choosing a more independent,

productive, and sustainable path for his family's well-being. Being business-minded, a hard worker, and wanting to control his own career path, he formed Ladson Transportation Services in the trucking industry and operated for nearly 50 years, creating lasting friendships and partnerships along the way.

He found joy in renewing and meeting old friends and family at gatherings. His smile was able to brighten any room, function, or place. Semore was generous and kind and had a wonderful sense of humor.

Semore was predeceased by his father and mother, Deacon Semore and Mrs. Marie.

Ladson, his first-born son, Semore Ladson, III, and his brother Levy Green.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife of 52 years, Carolyn Gillie Ladson, 2 sons,

Brandon Ladson, Atlanta, GA; Shannon Ladson, Stockbridge, GA; 2 sisters, Brenda

Ladson Harris (John, deceased), Sharon Ladson Greene (Leroy), 2 sister-in-laws,

Jennifer Gillie Sims, Valerie Jean Gillie Walton, a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and many friends who will miss him greatly. Special appreciation to his classmate, colleague, and lifelong friend, Alphonso Baker.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 7. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rainbow Park Baptist Church
2941 Columbia Dr
Decatur, GA 30034

Celebration of Life

NOV 8. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

HC

“ *My prayers are with the family. God will take care of you in times like these. God bless. Helen Blanks Cofield. FNBC.*

Helen Blanks Cofield - November 08, 2025 at 05:59 PM

RS

“ *To Carolyn, Brannon, Shannon, Brenda & Sharon we were devastated to hear of Semore 's passing. He was always a joy to be around, and lots of laugh. He will truly be missed. Prayers & condolences to the family.*

Rosa & Marvin Sanders - November 08, 2025 at 02:05 PM

LS

“ *To Carolyn, Brandon, Shannon, Brenda, & Sharon, and other family members our Condolences, Prays, and Thoughts are with you all during this difficult time. Semore it's been fun, I will miss your phone calls, jokes, our political conversations, and our family get together. Cuz you will truly be missed. Rest now dear Semore, we loved you but God loves you best!!!*

Your Cousins 🙏🙏🙏🙏

(Kitty, Kim, Michelle, Breanna, Sun, Yogi, Billy, Teddy, Carey, and Tony)

Lois Smith - November 08, 2025 at 10:43 AM

H6

“ Carolyn, Shannon, Brandon and family, our deepest sympathy and prayers. Remembering with you when the heart is grieving God comes near, to bring His comfort, to catch every tear. The sadness of the passing of Semore is felt by many. May the thought of knowing that friends share in the Loss of your love one be of comfort to you.

Hopkins High Class of 1968 classmates 🙏🙏💕💕💕

Hopkins High Class of 68 - November 07, 2025 at 11:07 AM

BC

“ Dear Carolyn, Shannon, Brandon and family of my classmate Semore. My condolences and prayers are with you all may God hold you close, comfort you gently, and carry you through. My friend Semore will truly be missed any time I wanted someone to discuss politics with oh yeah he was the one to call..

Deepest Sympathy, Barbara Robinson and Family: Classmate Hopkins High Class of 68.

Barbara, Classmate - November 07, 2025 at 10:49 AM

CC

“ May God, whose love and gentle care our daily footsteps lead, be near to comfort and to bless, and meet your every need. With

Deepest Sympathy

Christian Fellowship Baptist Church Family



Christian Fellowship Baptist Church - November 06, 2025 at 02:47 PM

KR

“ Praying that you will be surrounded by God's comforting love and filled with the peace that only He can give. With Heartfelt Sympathy.
Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Keith L. Reynolds



Keith and Marilyn Reynolds - November 06, 2025 at 02:45 PM

SB

“ Shannon, my heart aches for you and your family during this difficult time. While I didn't have the honor of knowing your father, I can only imagine how special he must have been to raise someone as kind and genuine as you. I'm keeping you and the family close in my thoughts and prayers and wishing you strength, comfort, and peace in the days ahead. ❤️

Shakeerah Brodie - November 04, 2025 at 12:42 PM

AJ

“ To the Ladson family I sorry to have learn the loss of your love one and my classmate may your spirit be uplifted thur GOD present CLASS of 1968

Andrew Jackson - November 04, 2025 at 08:17 AM

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Shakeerah Brodie - November 04, 2025 at 12:39 PM

PH

*I'm deeply saddened with the passing of Semore. We were classmates at Hopkins High School. graduating class of 1968
His spirit was full of joy and laughter . He always had a smile and positive conversation. He will truly be missed.*

Portia Hopkins Holliday - November 04, 2025 at 12:43 PM

GH

It was with deep regret that I learned of Seymour's passing and extend my deepest condolences to Carolyn, their children, his sisters and family. I have not seen or personally talked with Seymour or Carolyn in quite some time but we lived around the corner from each other and Carolyn and her family were our neighbors prior to us moving to the Atlas Rd. Community and all of my memories of both families are fond. They were kind and caring people and I have little doubt they changed over the years. My prayers are with the family as they go about trying to navigate life without him.

George Butch Hampton - November 18, 2025 at 05:07 PM