



# Mr. Melvin Artis

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**F**remont - Mr. Melvin Artis, 78 of 1399 Norwayne School Road, passed on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at Wake Medical Center, Raleigh, NC. The celebration of his life will be held on Saturday, January 21, 2017 at 12:00 noon at First Missionary Baptist Church, 410 S. Goldsboro Street, Fremont, NC. He will be laid to rest at the Hooks Grove Church Cemetery, 290 Hooks Grove Church Road, Pikeville, NC. There will be a viewing held on Saturday, January 21, 2017 from 11:00am until 12:00 noon at First Missionary Baptist Church, 410 S. Goldsboro Street, Fremont, NC.

He was born on August 1, 1938 in Johnston County, NC to Edward and Gertrude Coley Artis. He is survived by his wife, Bessie Harvey and four children: Melvin Artis Jr., Edward Artis, Sherby Artis and Amanda Artis.




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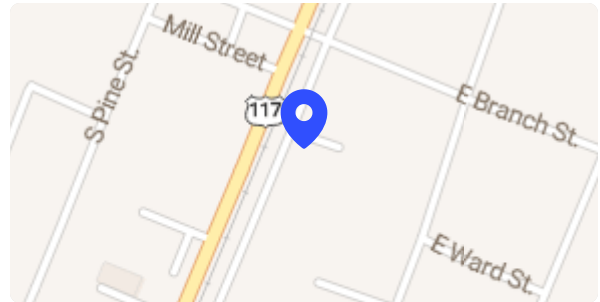


# Events




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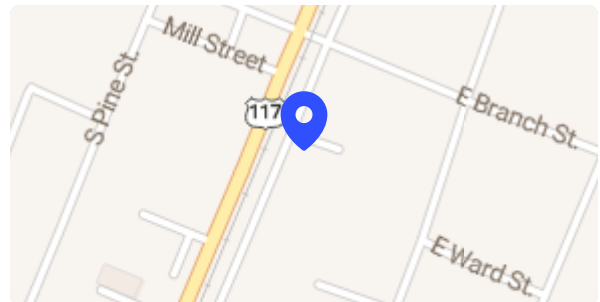
## Viewing

-  **Saturday**, January 21, 2017
-  11:00 AM - 12:00 PM ET
-  **First Missionary Baptist Church**  
410 S. Goldsboro Street, Fremont NC 27830



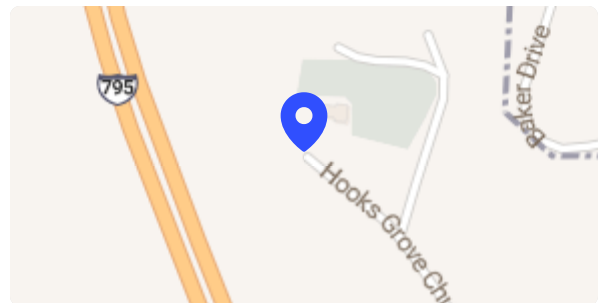
## Service

-  **Saturday**, January 21, 2017
-  12:00 PM ET
-  **First Missionary Baptist Church**  
410 S. Goldsboro Street, Fremont NC 27830



## Cemetery Details

-  **Hooks Grove Church Cemetery**  
290 Hooks Grove Road, Pikeville NC 27863





# Tribute Wall

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**Herman Braswell** lit a candle in honor of Melvin.

January 22 at 1:34 PM



**Diane Ruffin Coley** lit a candle in honor of Melvin.

January 21 at 5:20 AM



**Franklin "Ted" Coley (Josephine)** posted:

Away. Heard too late to change an obligation. Thanks Bessie, Linda, Sharon. Cousins Ollen and Hattie might not be able to make the trip home. Shall call and visit ASAP. A very interesting, historical and comical story exists about the stern look that Melvin might have given anyone calling him "Pasha by our former-slave grandfather, Olin Coley (Emma/Imogene). Correctly, Melvin's pet or nickname ought to have been "Paschal" or "Pasha Douala". Think, Ivory Coast, West Africa. Very interesting findings that might help to define some of the pretty, bad, genius, ugly, Godliness, etceteras about us. Peace, love and traveling mercy we pray.

January 21 at 3:01 AM



**Cliftine S Shields** lit a candle in honor of Melvin.

January 20 at 11:39 PM



**CS Cliftine S Shields** January 20 at 11:40 PM  
May God strengthen you all during your time of bereavement



**Joyal Sutton Newkirk** lit a candle in honor of Melvin.

January 20 at 8:19 PM





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**John Pippin, Jr** lit a candle in honor of Melvin.

I was sorryto hear of Melvin's passing, May the Lord give you peace and comfort in your time of need.John Pippin, Jr.

January 20 at 4:38 PM



**Consuelo Edwards, Great-Niece, Upper Marlboro, Md** sent a Lavender Reflections Spray to the Artis family.

January 18 at 10:28 PM



**Consuelo M Edwards** posted:

Our loved ones never leave our side. Even if death does us part, their soul still remains safe in our hearts. They live on in the kindness they have shared and the love they have brought into our lives. Wishing you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead, and loving memories to forever hold in your heart.~ Consuelo M. Edwards, great-niece, Upper Marlboro, MD

January 18 at 9:36 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Melvin by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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