



## Mr. Ambrose Lafayette Lucas Jr.

June 24, 1942 - January 15, 2021

Ambrose L. Lucas, Jr. of Fayetteville, N.C. was the son of the late Ambrose L. Lucas, Sr. and the late Pauline Artis Lucas of Spring Lake, N.C. He was preceded in death by his sister Beatrice A. Farmer and brother-in-law Arthur J. Farmer. Ambrose's early years were spent in Spring Lake in a loving community which included many family members spanning several generations. One may call this type of community a village for it is often said "it takes a village to raise a child". This village took that adage seriously for friends and family did not hesitate to report to your parents whenever you appeared to be out of line. Ambrose ultimately came to realize that those were the "best of years".

Having professed faith in God at an early age, he was welcomed into the fellowship of Bethel A.M.E. Zion Church where he was a faithful member until his health began to decline. Over the years, Ambrose served as Superintendent of Sunday School, Class Leader, member of the Steward Board and the Male Chorus. As Class Leader, He often made calls to the youth to encourage them. Ambrose was a graduate of Anne Chesnut High School, Class of 1960. Special activities he enjoyed included the Drivers' Club and the Drill Team. Through these activities Ambrose developed lifelong friendships. Although he was admitted to Fayetteville State University, he decided to leave school to begin his work experience.

He was a faithful employee at the Fort Bragg School System ensuring the facilities were always in good condition for the children and staff. Upon his

retirement he became an entrepreneur starting his own business, Lucas Cleaning Service. Family was very important to Ambrose and he continued a special bond with his parents throughout his life and always remembered the mandate from his Mother; "be kind to your brother and sisters". From his prior marriages, he always felt blessed to have his wonderful children, grandchildren and great grandchildren who were his ultimate joy.

He was preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Arthur J. Farmer, Jr. Surviving to honor and cherish his memory are: daughters, Pamela Lucas McCray (Kevin) of Fayetteville, NC, Tara Lynn Matthews (James) of Sanford, NC and Anna Maria Marquez-Lopez Smith (Kenneth) of Sanford, NC; sons, Pierre LaMar Lucas of Houston, Texas, Mackie Marquez-Lopez of Hollywood, FL and Luis MarquezLopez (Diana) of Fayetteville, NC; brother, Jerry M. Lucas of Spring Lake, NC; sisters, Muriel Allen of Spring Lake, NC, Evelyn Smalls of Berwyn, PA and Tressie Staten of Spring Lake, NC; 22 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; one aunt, Ernestine Nichols; one uncle, William Lucas Sr. both of Spring Lake, NC; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Bethel AME Zion Church Cemetery

255 Vass Road  
Spring Lake, NC 28390

# Previous Events

## Viewing

JAN 21. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Colvin Funeral Home Chapel  
2010 Murchison Road  
Fayetteville, NC 28301

## Funeral

JAN 21. 12:00 PM (ET)

Colvin Funeral Home Chapel  
2010 Murchison Road  
Fayetteville, NC 28301

## Livestreaming

JAN 21. 12:00 PM.

Facebook: Colvin Funeral Home and Crematory-Fayetteville & Lumberton  
<https://www.facebook.com/ColvinFuneralHomeCORP/>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Colvin Funeral Homes & Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Ambrose Lafayette Lucas Jr.*



H. M. Colvin Funeral Home - January 20, 2021 at 03:51 PM

RM

*beautiful family memories*

Richard Benjamin McBride - January 22, 2021 at 01:01 AM

RM

“ *Richard Benjamin McBride lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ambrose Lafayette Lucas Jr.*



Richard Benjamin McBride - January 22, 2021 at 01:05 AM

IR

“ *India V. Rives lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ambrose Lafayette Lucas Jr.*



India V. Rives - January 21, 2021 at 07:26 PM

WB

“ *My condolences to the Lucas family. Beautiful video. Thank you for sharing. Willetha King Barnette (Durham)*



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**Willetha Barnette** - January 21, 2021 at 11:35 AM

KM

“ *You are in our hearts, thoughts, and prayers with much love always. Kay, Tammy and Mervin Moats, Jr.*

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**Kay Moats** - January 21, 2021 at 11:07 AM

LS

“ *Levetta Gainey Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ambrose Lafayette Lucas Jr.*



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**Levetta Gainey Smith** - January 21, 2021 at 10:55 AM

SM

“ *I'm sending love and hugs to the Lucas Family,so sorry to my cousins Pam,Pierre on the loss of your Dad ,please accept myself and Debbie sincere condolences. RIP Sandra Kay McArthur*

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**Sandra McArthur** - January 21, 2021 at 05:35 AM

AF

“ Audrey Elliott & Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ambrose Lafayette Lucas Jr.



Audrey Elliott & Family - January 20, 2021 at 09:26 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Ambrose Lafayette Lucas Jr..



January 20, 2021 at 04:10 PM

DJ

“ Debora Hudson & Carrie Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Ambrose Lafayette Lucas Jr.



Debora Hudson & Carrie Johnson - January 20, 2021 at 03:10 PM



Debora Thank you both so very much. We love you all so much 💕

Pamela McCray - January 21, 2021 at 07:35 AM

MM

*Pam, Pierre, and the Lucas family. Our hearts are saddened by the passing of Ambrose. We know that God will comfort you in this time of sorrow. Please know that we love you and will keep you in our prayers.*

*Love You,*

*Your Cousins,  
John, Michelle and Grannie*

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**Michelle McNair** - January 21, 2021 at 01:00 PM

AJ

“ *Angela (T.C.) & Willie Johnson Jr. lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ambrose Lafayette Lucas Jr.*



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**Angela (T.C.) & Willie Johnson Jr.** - January 20, 2021 at 03:01 PM



*Thank you so very much T.C. & Willie. We love you cousin 💕*

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**Pamela McCray** - January 21, 2021 at 07:34 AM

JM

“ *Jasper And Judy Musgrave lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ambrose Lafayette Lucas Jr.*



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**jasper and judy musgrave** - January 20, 2021 at 09:45 AM



*Thank you Mr & Mrs Musgrave 💕*

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**Pamela McCray** - January 21, 2021 at 07:33 AM

PL

*From the Lucas Family in Albuquerque NM Paul and Alfreda you will be missed RIP ur cousin God bless the whole family*

**Paul. E Lucas** - January 21, 2021 at 11:21 AM

CN

““ *Condolences to the family of Ambrose  
“Scooter” Lucas, Jr.  
Continuously praying for each of you.  
Blessings and always BELIEVE,  
Kitty White Newkirk and family*



**Catherine “Kitty” White Newkirk** - January 20, 2021 at 01:11 AM



*Thank you so very much Kitty for these beautiful words of condolences and prayers. YES ma'am, we will always BELIEVE 🙏💕*

**Pamela McCray** - January 21, 2021 at 07:32 AM

MM

““ *So sorry to hear of Ambrose’s passing. Please know that I will be praying for your strength during this difficult time.*

*Marian P. McPherson McLean, Class of 1959  
Jacksonville, NC*

**Marian McLean** - January 19, 2021 at 10:29 PM



*Thank you so very much for your prayers Mrs. McLean. 💕*

**Pamela McCray** - January 21, 2021 at 07:30 AM

WS

“ *Willie And Linda Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Ambrose Lafayette Lucas Jr.*



Willie and Linda Smith - January 19, 2021 at 09:19 PM

WS

“ *Willie And Linda Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ambrose Lafayette Lucas Jr.*



Willie and Linda Smith - January 19, 2021 at 09:18 PM



*Thank you so very much for your prayers 💕*

Pamela McCray - January 21, 2021 at 07:29 AM

FJ

“ *Felicia Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ambrose Lafayette Lucas Jr.*



Felicia Jones - January 19, 2021 at 08:55 PM



*Thank you so very much Felicia. Our love and prayers to you and your family 💕*

Pamela McCray - January 21, 2021 at 07:28 AM

DW

“ *Mary joins me in offering our sincerest condolences to Ambrose Lucas' family. He was a dear friend and will be missed.* ”



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**David Williams** - January 19, 2021 at 06:47 PM



*Thank you so very much for your condolences 🌸*

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**Pamela McCray** - January 21, 2021 at 07:27 AM