



## PASTOR NATHANIEL COOK III

July 12, 1953 - January 8, 2021

<https://livestream.com/accounts/7325565/nathanielcook>

Pastor Nathaniel E. (Nat/Nate) Cook III was born in Estill, Hampton County, South Carolina on July 12, 1953 and was the oldest of two children born to the late Alberta (Simmons) Cook and the late Nathaniel E. Cook, Jr.

At an early age, Nathaniel accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior. He, along with his brother, Ramon, served as a Junior Deacon at Morris Street Baptist Church in Charleston, South Carolina. Nat attended Charleston public schools.

During his childhood years, he would also spend many summers in Ridgeland, South Carolina and attend church with his grandfather and grandmother, the late Pastor John C. Simmons and Hattie Simmons. During his teen years, he attended Gary Job Corps in San Marcos, Texas and became licensed as a truck driver which he loved to do. The last place he worked at was Southeastern Freight Lines in Austin/Pflugerville, Texas until he retired in July 2019.

Nathaniel lived and worked in various places across the country, but would always talk about his experience in Seattle, Washington. Then one day, he met his beautiful wife, Jamie Reed Cook, and the two united in holy matrimony on December 11, 1999 at Cottonwood Baptist Church. He was a wonderful and loving father to his beautiful daughter, Cashina Gardner, whom he loved dearly.

Nathaniel joined Cottonwood Baptist Church in Del Valle, Texas and served there as President and Vice President of the choir, Sunday School Teacher for the Teens class, Church Tape Ministry Coordinator, a Deacon from April 2003 and then accepting his calling into the Ministry on February 27, 2005. He served as an Associate Minister at Cottonwood under the former Pastor Detoneal Cook.

Nathaniel then joined Mt. Ararat Missionary Baptist Church in Bartlett, Texas then served as an Associate Minister and Youth Minister and was ordained by Pastor Daniel Blane, Sr. From there, In November 2013, God led him to serve as Pastor of the Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church in Elgin, Texas. In April 2015, he then accepted the call of Pastor at Cottonwood Baptist Church in Del Valle, Texas. Although his health started failing him later in August 2018, he was determined to serve there as Pastor until the Lord called him home.

Nathaniel never met a stranger and had many things that he loved to do. He loved to cook gourmet meals as he was once a chef; coastal fishing and crabbing every chance he got; traveling; singing and recording/producing music as he sat up his own recording studio at home that he called Anointed Generations Productions. He along with his wife and daughter always sang and made music together. Everyone he met would know that he was also a true Carolina Panthers fan to his heart as he would always talk to anyone about his favorite team. Most of all, he loved preaching and teaching the word of God, and just as importantly, believed that we must "live" the word. Pastor Cook was a nononsense, tell it like it is, open and honest man of God and was respected because of his "Do as I Do" and "Not as I say" attitude. He will be sorely missed.

Nathaniel is preceded in death by his mother, Mrs. Alberta (Simmons) Richardson, and his father, Nathaniel Edward Cook, Jr. and other close relatives that have gone home before him.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife, Jamie Cook, one daughter, Cashina Gardner, both of Del Valle, Texas; one Brother, Ramon Cook of

McCleansville, South Carolina; mother-in-law, Ms. Rosie Rose of Del Valle, Texas and a host of very close relatives, aunt, uncle, nieces, nephews, cousins and many, many friends. His Special Church Mother, Iva Henry, also loved him dearly.

# Previous Events

## Celebration Service

JAN 16. 2:00 PM (CT)

St. John Regular Baptist Association Tabernacle  
7501 Blessing Ave.  
Austin, TX 78752

# Tribute Wall



“ PASTOR NATHANIEL COOK III

October 06, 2023 at 07:08 AM



“ I'll always remember Nat at work at Southeastern Freight Lines, always trying to see the better out of a hard day's work. Yelling across the dock " Hey !! FAMILY !! " When I worked the dock I always tried loading his trailer to where he never had to back track. Now I'm a driver.. You are missed Nat for your great personality and giving heart. I still hear your voice as you tell us WHATS UP FAMILY !!! We were just that at SEFL. FAMILY !!!

Justin Tabor - August 16, 2023 at 05:19 AM



“ 8 files added to the album Memories Album



A Life Celebration by Franklin - January 21, 2021 at 05:24 PM

CW

“ *Cindy Wilson lit a candle in memory of  
PASTOR NATHANIEL COOK III*



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**Cindy Wilson** - January 16, 2021 at 09:11 PM

CW

*Will greatly be miss my brother.  
Gone to soon rest in peace 🌸*

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**Cindy Wilson** - January 16, 2021 at 09:14 PM

ML

“ *Mechelle Leslie lit a candle in memory of  
PASTOR NATHANIEL COOK III*



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**Mechelle Leslie** - January 16, 2021 at 02:55 PM

HR

“ *Haywood Reed lit a candle in memory of  
PASTOR NATHANIEL COOK III*



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**Haywood Reed** - January 16, 2021 at 02:24 PM

BS

“ *Brother Willie And Sis Lowanda Stoglin lit a candle in memory of PASTOR NATHANIEL COOK III*



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**Brother Willie and Sis Lowanda Stoglin** - January 16, 2021 at 01:34 PM

PW

“ *Pamela White lit a candle in memory of PASTOR NATHANIEL COOK III*



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**Pamela White** - January 15, 2021 at 10:08 PM

PW

“ *To First Lady Jamie Cooke and family. We the White/Harper family send our deepest condolences. Pastor Cook will be missed in our hearts. Love you much*

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**Pamela White** - January 15, 2021 at 10:05 PM

BW

“ *My dear brother Nat my ❤️ still remembers one of your way back sermons "The best seller - The Bible" and now you rest in the Lord.*  
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**Betty Wilson** - January 15, 2021 at 05:01 PM

BW

“ Betty Wilson lit a candle in memory of  
PASTOR NATHANIEL COOK III



Betty Wilson - January 15, 2021 at 04:56 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for  
the family of PASTOR NATHANIEL COOK III.



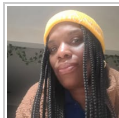
January 15, 2021 at 04:38 PM

AM

“ We The Black Velvets offers this song to Mrs. Jamie Cook & Family!



Anthony McKnight - January 15, 2021 at 04:28 PM



Sending my sympathy and condolences to the friends and family 🙏🙏



Lakisha Loatman - January 16, 2021 at 10:59 AM

AM

“ If anyone remembers the original members of our group *The Black Velvets*, we would like to send out our Condolences and Heartfelt Sympathies to Mrs. Jamie Cook & Family for the loss of her husband the Rev. Nathaniel E. Cook.

When we were in High School he sang with our High School group "The Dynamic Diamonds" whereas he was affectionately known as "Woo-Woo Man who sang 1st & 2nd Tenor, then after high school we morphed into "The Black Velvets". We all will miss him, But God Lo... See More

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**Anthony McKnight** - January 15, 2021 at 04:18 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of PASTOR NATHANIEL COOK III.



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January 15, 2021 at 01:54 PM

AS

“ Ann Duncan, Phil, Susie and Sarah purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of PASTOR NATHANIEL COOK III.



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**Ann Duncan, Phil, Susie and Sarah** - January 15, 2021 at 12:58 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of PASTOR NATHANIEL COOK III.*



January 14, 2021 at 10:49 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss Jamie and the rest of your family. May your husband rest in peace. Lots of love and prayers sent.*



**Michelle Zahler** - January 14, 2021 at 04:35 PM



“ *Prayers for you and your family during this time. God always chooses the best, so keep your head up and know he is resting in him. Be blessed!  
Love you guys,  
The Mays, Ogbor and Jernigan family*

**irene** - January 13, 2021 at 11:25 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of PASTOR NATHANIEL COOK III.*



January 13, 2021 at 04:53 PM

BM

“ *My condolences to the cook family. I will always remember his kind spirit and smile. May the Lord forever wrap you in grace and love.*

*With Sympathy,  
Byron Mitchell  
Elgin, Texas*

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**Byron Mitchell** - January 12, 2021 at 06:33 PM

DB

*Nat  
Rest in peace. We love you but God loves you BLESS. Your cousin,.  
Pat McAlister Bynum*

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**Dr. Pat McAlister Bynum** - January 14, 2021 at 09:31 AM

AB

*My condolences to Jamie and the Cook Family. It was a beautiful Home Going Service for Pastor Cook. Please know that I will keep all the family in my prayers today and in the days to come. God Bless, God Keep, and God Comfort the Cook Family is my prayer.  
Allen Bledsoe*

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**Allen Bledsoe** - January 16, 2021 at 04:54 PM

CW

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you, the Cook and Cottonwood family. God Bless You*

*Curtricia A. Whitley-Thompson*

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**Curtricia Whitley-Thompson** - January 11, 2021 at 06:58 PM

AC

“ Our thoughts and prayers goes out to the Cook family, Pastor HC Coleman was a very good friend and co-worker of Reverend Cooks for many years, they shared lots of spiritual knowledge, and advice with one another, Minister Cook would often lead the morning prayer with the drivers and other employees of the Southeastern Freight Line before they began the work day. May the Lord Bless and keep you is our prayer.

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**Annie Coleman** - January 11, 2021 at 03:38 PM

RR

“ Renee Rossell lit a candle in memory of  
**PASTOR NATHANIEL COOK III**



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**Renee Rossell** - January 11, 2021 at 03:21 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the  
family of **PASTOR NATHANIEL COOK III**.



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January 11, 2021 at 09:39 AM