

HOMEGOING CELEBRATION FOR

*Rev. John Quincy Punch*

SUNRISE  
December 10, 1941

SUNSET  
February 11, 2011

~ SERVICE ~

Saturday, February 19, 2011 - 11:00 am

GROVETON HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM  
207 North Main - Groveton, Texas 75854

Pastor Travis Hulett, Jr., Officiating  
New Bethel Baptist Church  
Cleveland, Texas

Rev. P. Gibson, Eulogist  
Greater New Hope Baptist Church  
Groveton, Texas



# THE *Life* OF

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**Rev. John Quincy Wilbert Albert Punch**

John Punch was born on December 10, 1941 in Lacy, Texas. The son of the late Willie and Rosie Lee Punch and attended school at G.W. Carver. He was known as (Qua) to his siblings and friends.

He united in holy matrimony to Bernice Hawkins that he had known for 5 years before being married 49 years on August 22, 1961. To this union five children were born. One baby boy who proceeded him in death and four daughters: Roshenia Punch of Groveton, Deborah (Travis Hulett) of Kingwood, Texas, Joyce Punch (Friend Curtis) of Groveton, Texas, Stephanie (Johnnathan Johnson) of Grapeland, Texas.

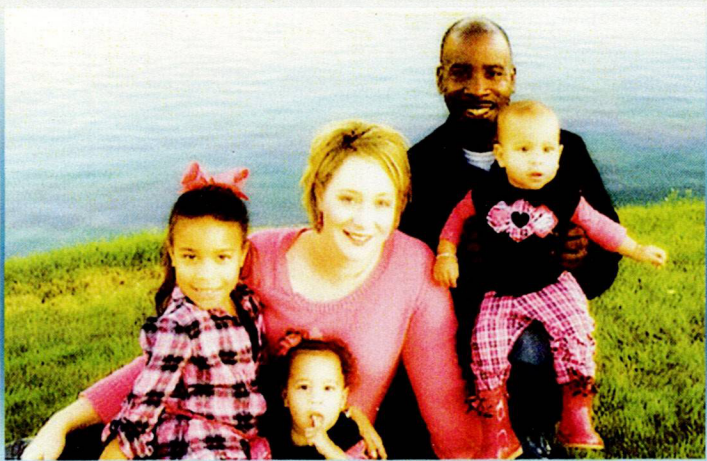
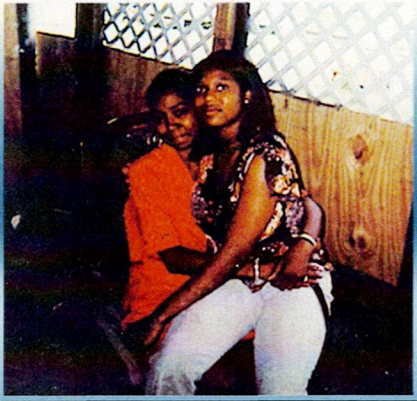
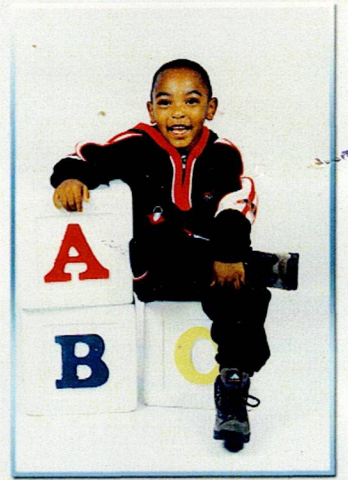
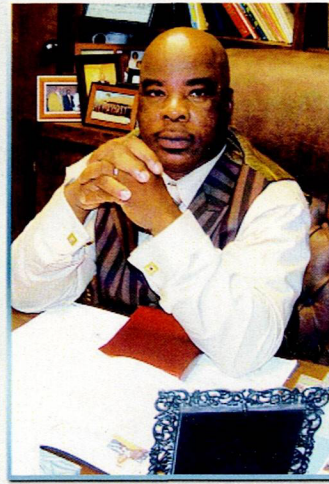
He was united with the New Hope Baptist Church and baptized at an early age under the late Rev. Wesley. He later formed a group named the United Gospel Singers and Sensational Gospel Singers. After that he and some more friends formed a group named the Groveton Male Chorus. Then the Lord called him into ministry where he pastored Mary's Chapel Baptist Church for 7 years.

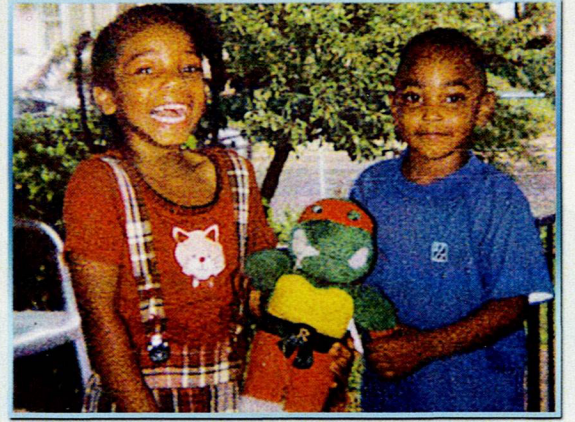
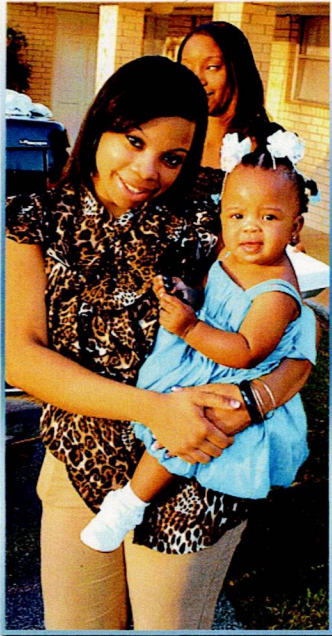
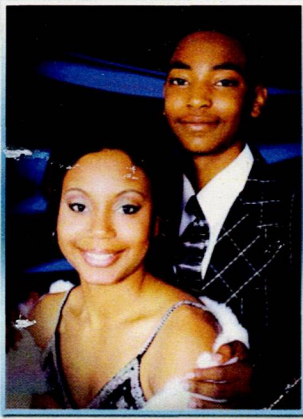
Rev. John Punch was employed at Memorial Hospital in Lufkin, Texas for 14 years. He later worked at the Texas Foundry and Dunbar Elementary. He then worked at Groveton ISD where he retired when his health begin to fail him.

He is proceeded in death by 5 brothers and 3 sisters.

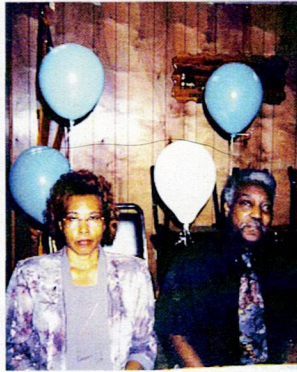
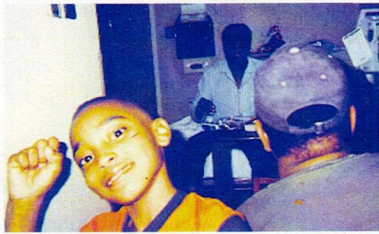
He leaves to mourn his wife: Bernice; his four daughters, 9 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren, 3 sisters: Hazel (Roy Maiden) of Lufkin, Texas, Ruby Wyatt of Groveton, Texas and Elizabeth Horace of Lufkin, Texas; brothers: Rev. W.D. (Jonnie Hall) of LA, California and Author (Willie Mae Punch) of Groveton, Texas; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.







*Our Precious Memories*

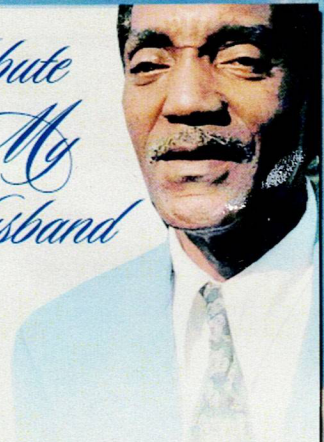


*A Tribute  
To My  
Husband*

God saw you getting tired,  
When a cure was not to be.  
So He wrapped his  
arms around you,  
and whispered,  
"come to me."  
You didn't deserve  
what you went through,  
So He gave you rest.  
God's garden must  
be beautiful,  
He only takes  
the best  
And when I saw  
you sleeping,  
So peaceful  
and free  
from pain  
I could not  
wish you back  
To suffer  
that again.

**Your Loving  
Wife**

**Bernice**



## *To Our Dad:*

We'll always remember  
that special smile,  
that caring heart,  
that warm embrace,  
you always gave us.  
You being there  
for Mom and us  
through good and bad times,  
no matter what.  
We'll always remember  
you Dad because  
they'll never be another one  
to replace you in our hearts,  
and the love we will always  
have for you.

***Love Your Girls***

## *To Our Grandfather:*

A precious one from us is gone, A voice we love is still;  
A place vacant in our home, That never can be filled.  
He is safe in the Arm's of Jesus, Safe on HIS gentle breast  
There by HIS love over shadowed, Sweetly his soul ever rest.

***Love Your Grandchildren***



## *Active Pallbearers*

Craig Spiller  
Jayson Johnson  
Harry Williams

Johnathan Johnson  
Johnathan Hulett  
Curtis Runnels

Jerome Runnels

## *Honorary Pallbearers*

Rev. W.D. Hall  
Bro. I. Gotis Smith

Bro. Author Punch  
Bro. Virgil Curry

## *Special Friends*

Rev. Hardin  
Donald Wayne Parker

Rev. Jackson  
Billy and Dinah Cockran

Connie Due

## *Special Thank You to*

Divita Dialysis, Memorial Hospital and Hospice In The Pines,  
Woodland Heights Hospital and Groveton Nursing Home.

## *Words of Gratitude*

The family of Rev. John Q. Punch would like to thank each of you for the many expressions of kindness extended to us during our hours of bereavement. Perhaps you called with words of encouragement; or just stopped by, and sit quietly in a chair. Perhaps you were not there at all but lifted us up in prayer. What ever you did to console our hearts we thank you so much what ever the part. May GOD richly bless each of you and forever keep you in his care.

**~The Family**

## *Final Resting Place*

Lacey Cemetery - Groveton, Texas

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