



CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR



James Earl Thompson

SUNRISE
NOVEMBER 22, 1950



SUNSET
MAY 27, 2026

"Forever In Our Hearts"

Sunday, June 13, 2026 | 11:00 a.m.

ST. MATTHEW CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
729 Calhoun Avenue - Yazoo City, MS 39194
Administrative Asst. John H. Scott, Sr., Officiating Pastor

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family of James Earl Thompson would like to express our sincere gratitude for the many compassionate thoughts, love, prayers, and acts of kindness extended throughout this difficult time. Your visits, phone calls, comforting words, cards, food, gifts, and every expression of sympathy have brought strength and comfort to our family. We are deeply grateful for the outpouring of love shown during our time of bereavement. Your kindness will always be remembered. We ask that you continue to keep our family lifted in your prayers. A special thank you to the Thompson family for your unwavering love, support, and strength during this most difficult time. Your care and devotion will never be forgotten.

~The Thompson Family~



HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Leroy Thompson | Edward Thompson
Pearley Thompson | David Thompson
James Thompson Jr. | Trevaris Thompson
Jacob Solomon | Alvin Reynolds

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Lamont Johnson | Glenn Whitney
Arthur Thompson | Jose Moreno
Melvin Thompson | Jeremy Anderson

FLOWER BEARERS

Family & Friends

INTERMENT

Robinson Family Cemetery
White Lane Road
Yazoo City, MS 39194



REPAST

Hartley's Place
738 E. 12th Street
Yazoo City, MS 39194

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ENTRUSTED TO



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Yazoo City, MS 39194
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LIFE'S REFLECTIONS

James Earl Thompson

Mr. James Earl Thompson was born on November 22, 1950, in Yazoo City, Mississippi, to the late Martha Woods and Leroy Thompson, who both preceded him in death.

James's journey began at the age of 13 when he left Yazoo City, Mississippi, and moved to Florida. After arriving in Florida, he worked as a laborer in the orange groves, where his strong work ethic and determination helped him advance to the position of truck driver.

Years later, James and his brother, Pearley, started their own lawn maintenance business and became well known for their expertise and dedication to their work. When they were not working, the brothers shared a passion for fishing and spent many enjoyable hours together on the water. On Wednesday, May 27, 2026, God in His infinite wisdom called his servant home to eternal rest at the age of 75.

James was a loving father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and devoted friend. He was well known throughout the community for his kind heart, quiet strength, warm smile, and willingness to lend a helping hand to anyone in need. He never met a stranger and always welcomed family and friends with love, laughter, and wisdom.

At an early age, James accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior and carried his faith throughout his life. He believed in the importance of family, hard work, and treating others with kindness and respect. His presence brought joy and comfort to those around him, and the fondest memories he shared with family and friends will forever be cherished.

James enjoyed spending time with his loved ones, telling stories, sharing laughter, and creating memories that will live on for generations to come. He especially loved the ocean, fishing along the shoreline, and finding peace in the rhythm of the waves.

Though he will truly be missed, his legacy of love, strength, and devotion will continue to live within the hearts of all who knew and loved him.

James leaves to cherish many precious memories and gifts that have touched our hearts, including his two children: Mary A. Thompson and James E. Thompson Jr., both of Lake Worth, FL; three grandchildren: Trevaris B. Thompson of Port St. Lucie, FL, Samone H. Thompson of Lake Worth, FL, and James Mathis of OH; and one great-grandchild: Amelia L. Wooten of Lake Worth, FL. James was one of thirteen children. He leaves to cherish his memory: Lily Bee Thomas (Walter) of Markham, IL, Pearley Thompson of Boynton Beach, FL, Maggeline Thompson (Ronald) of Atlanta, GA, Leroy Thompson Jr., Edward Thompson (Betty Ann), Mae Ann Tubbs (Willie Knox), all of Yazoo City, MS, and David Thompson (Regina) of Moreno Valley, CA.

He was preceded in death by his siblings: Rebecca Thompson, Abraham Thompson, Mary Thompson and Joseph Thompson (Keisha).

Today, while our hearts are saddened by his passing, we rejoice in knowing that Earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal. We thank God for the life and legacy of Mr. James Earl Thompson and for the precious time He allowed us to share with him.

"Well done, thou good and faithful servant... enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." | Matthew 25:23

ORDER OF SERVICE

BELITA RANCE, MISTRESS OF CEREMONY

PRELUDE - SOFT MUSIC

PROCESSIONAL

Clergy and Family

MUSICAL SELECTION

Mt. Horeb M.B. Church Choir

SCRIPTURE CONSOLATION:

Old & New Testament

Pastor Patrick Webster

PRAYER OF COMFORT

Reverend Charles Thurman

SOLO

Angela Rogers

POEM

Your Son

EXPRESSIONS & REMARKS

Limit Two Minutes

Family and Friends

MUSICAL SELECTION

Mt. Horeb M.B. Church Choir

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & CONDOLENCES

Belita Rance

OBITUARY READING

Patricia Thompson

WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Patricia Thompson

POEM

Your Nieces

SOLO

Angela Rogers

EULOGY

Reverend Charles Thurman

SCOTT MEMORIAL FUNERAL DIRECTORS IN CHARGE

RECESSIONAL

Clergy, Deacons, and Family

"The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want." | Psalm 23:1

TRIBUTES OF LOVE

Tribute to My Father

We shed our tears because you're gone but smile because you lived.
We treasured every single day and all you had to give.
Your laughter echoes in our thoughts, your wisdom guides our feet,
Until the day our family chain is once again complete.
You loved the rhythm of the waves, the crashing of the surf,
Fishing from the ocean bank, your favorite place on earth.
You watched the endless waters rise with patience in your eyes,
and reeled in joy from simple days beneath the coastal skies.
We'll hear you in the rolling tide and where the seagulls soar.
Our fisherman has found his rest along Heaven's peaceful shore.
The water is calm, the morning is still, the mist gently rises over the hill.
You packed up your tackle, your reel and your rod,
to fish in the beautiful waters of God.
You taught me to cast, to watch and to wait,
to tie up a line and handle the bait.
But the greatest lesson you gave to your son,
was how to stay strong when the fishing was done.
The boat has anchored, the shoreline is clear,
I'll carry your strength through every new year.
So cast out your line Where deep rivers flow,
I love you Dad, but it's time to let go.
You taught us to stand tall, to walk with honest grace,
to find the good in every day and face life's changing pace.
The bedrock of our family, the hands that helped us grow,
you left a legacy of love, The greatest gift we'll know.
We hold your memory in our hearts, your lessons in our chest.
Sleep peacefully, dear Father, you have earned your quiet rest.
Forever Loved, Forever Missed

Our Uncle

Our lives go on without you
But nothing is the same,
We have to hide our heartaches
When someone says Uncle James.
Sad are the hearts that love you
Silent the tears that fall,
Living our hearts without you
Is the hardest part of all.
Uncle James, you did so many things for us
Your heart was kind and true,
And when we needed someone
We could always count on you.
The special years will not return
When we were all together,
But with the love within our hearts
You will walk with us forever.
We love you, Uncle James.
Your Favorite Nieces