

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

First and foremost, we would like to thank God for being faithful to us. We would like to express a sincere heartfelt thank you to the Bentonian community for your support you have given our family in our time of sorrow. The Lord has truly blessed us with a supportive circle of family and friends who have prayed and carried us through these difficult times in our lives and for that we are eternally grateful. May your kindness and thoughtfulness be abundantly rewarded.

The Thurman, Shaffer & Sanders Family

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Anthony Shaffer | Willie Holmes
James Small | Norman Hogue
Charles Small | L.C. McCree
William Small

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Shacobia Luckett | Connell Swinney
William Swinney, Jr. | Tony Reynolds, Jr.
Norman Small | Cortez Green

FLOWER BEARERS

Family & Friends

COMMITTAL & INTERMENT

Day Cemetery
Scotland Road
Bentonian, MS 39040

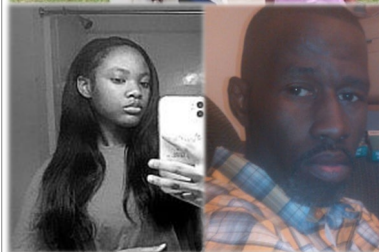
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RESTING IN PEACE & JOY FOR ALL ETERNITY



"CHRIS"

Christopher Mandale Thurman

HEAVEN SENT:

MAY 30, 1977

HEAVEN BOUND:

NOVEMBER 14, 2023

Saturday, November 25, 2023 | 11:00 a.m.

MT. ZION MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

6169 Scotland Road - Bentonian, MS 39040

Rev. Isaiah Jackson, Host Pastor

Rev. Aundre Brown, Sr., Officiating

Pastor - Mt. Olive M.B. Church - Bentonian, MS

Evangelist Chousetta Brown, Program Guide

LIFE'S REFLECTIONS

Christopher, affectionately known as Chris, was the oldest of five born to Roosevelt Shaffer and Ella Shaffer-Sanders on May 30, 1977, in Vicksburg, MS.

Christopher was preceded in death by Semaj Thurman and three other children; stepfather: Ervin Sanders; grandparents: Harvey and Lillie Mae Thompson and William Small, Sr. (maternal grandfather).

At an early age, Christopher gave his life to Christ. He was baptized and became a member of Mt. Olive M.B. Church under the leadership of Rev. N.C. Taylor. God whispered, "Well done my good and faithful servant." He then closed his loving eyes and humbly answered the call of his heavenly father, departing this life on November 14, 2023.

Christopher was educated in the Yazoo County Public School System. Christopher was a hardworking and dedicated truck driver for US Express, APAC Construction, Halmet Grave Pit and Ragland Farms for many years.

Christopher was a dedicated, loving father, son, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend to all that knew him.

He leaves to cherish his loving memories, one daughter: Zytiana Lewis of Yazoo City, MS; parents: Roosevelt and Ella Shaffer-Sanders; three sisters: Brenda (Micheal) Taylor, Michelle (Marcus) Sanders, and Rochelle (James) Bassett; one brother: Erik (Tiffany) Shaffer; aunts: Eddie Mae Patterson, Olivia Bolden, Rosie Small; seven uncles: William (Pat) Small, Charles (Priscilla) Small, Norman (Dorothy) Hogue, James Small, Willie Holmes, L.C. McCree and Anthony Shaffer; and a host of nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

TRIBUTES

You Never Said Goodbye

You never said 'I'm leaving'
You never said goodbye
You were gone before I knew it,
And only God knew why
A million times I needed you,
A million times I cried
If Love alone could have saved you,
You never would have died
In Life I loved you dearly
In death I love you still
In my heart you hold a place,
That no one could ever fill

Love Your Mom & Dad

My Hero

You held my hand when I was small.
You caught me when I fell.
You are the hero of my childhood.
And my later years as well
And every time I think of you,
My heart still fills with pride.
Though I will always miss you Dad
I know you're by my side.
In laughter and in sorrow
In sunshine and in rain
I know you're watching over me,
Until we meet again.

Love Your Daughter Zytiana

~ ORDER OF SERVICE ~

PROCESSIONAL

Clergy and Family

MUSICAL SELECTION

Choir

SCRIPTURE READING

Old & New Testament

Rev. Cleotha Hendrix

PRAYER

Dr. Jerry Crockett

SOLO

Bro. Paul Garner

WORDS OF COMFORT

Rev. Willie Richardson

EXPRESSIONS

Two Minutes

Anyone Who Desires

RESOLUTION

Mt. Olive M.B. Church
Evangelist Chousetta Brown

SOLO

Bro. Wallace Taylor

OBITUARY

Read Silently | Soft Music

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Evangelist Chousetta Brown

MUSICAL SELECTION

Choir

EULOGY

Pastor Aundre Brown, Sr.

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RECESSIONAL

Clergy, Family and Friends

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Memories of My Brother

How well I do remember
All the special times we had
As we were raised side by side
Sharing good times, sharing bad.
Sometimes we would disagree
But always made up in the end
But as we grew to be adults
We became the best of friends.
Then you heard the voice of Jesus
Gently calling from on high
He was holding out His loving arms
But I could not say "goodbye."
So, I said "see you later"
Dear brother, wait for me
In the beauty of God's Heaven
Where the best is yet to be.
Love Your Sister Brenda

To Our Brother

Our lives go on without you
But nothing is the same,
We have to hide our heartaches
When someone speaks your name.
Sad are the hearts that love you
Silent the tears that fall,
Living our hearts without you
Is the hardest part of all.
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.
Love Michelle, Eric and Rochelle

To Our Uncle

It broke our hearts to lose you,
but you did not go alone.
A part of us went with you,
the day God took you home.
Love Your Nieces & Nephews