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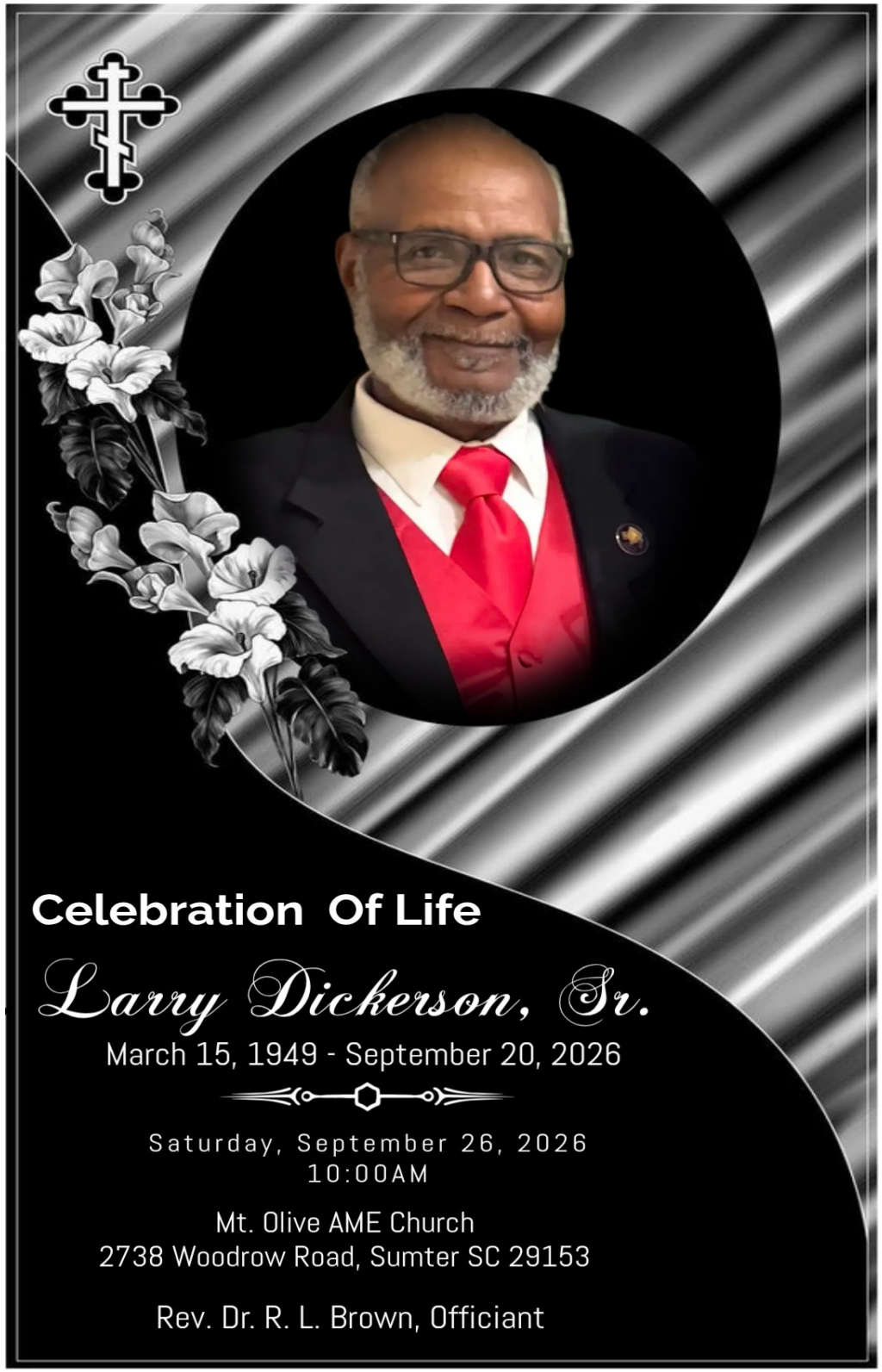
Acknowledgement

The family of **Larry Dickerson, Sr.** sincerely thanks everyone who has shown us love, prayers, and support during this difficult time. We extend special appreciation to **Crescent Hospice of Sumter, SC**, **The William Jennings Bryan Dorn VA Medical Center in Columbia, SC**, and the **Mt. Olive A.M.E. Church family**, who faithfully stood alongside Larry during his illness. To our family, friends, and community, thank you for every prayer, phone call, visit, message, and act of kindness. Your love and support have been a source of strength and comfort to us, and we are truly grateful.

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Larry Dickerson Sr.
March 15, 1949 - September 20, 2026

Larry Dickerson Sr. passed away peacefully at his home on September 20, 2026. He was born on March 15, 1949, in Clarendon County, South Carolina, to the late Richard Dickerson and Alethea Riley Dickerson. Raised in Pinewood, South Carolina, Larry attended the public schools of Sumter County graduating from Manchester High School.

Larry proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam era, fulfilling his overseas service in Okinawa, Japan. He remained connected to the veteran community as a member of the Sumter County Combat Veterans.

Larry dedicated his professional life to maintenance, working in a variety of industries. He was especially proud of his more than 20 years of dedicated service with Santee Print, from which he retired.

Larry met and married his beloved wife, Thelma Blanding Dickerson, at his cousin's wedding. Together, they built a life centered on family, love, and commitment.

Larry was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. He leaves to cherish his memory his three sons, Shelton Rayshane Dickerson of Virginia Beach, Virginia; Larry Dickerson Jr. (Tobe) of Odenton, Maryland; and Brandon Denzel Dickerson of Sumter, South Carolina; and three grandchildren, Treyleesa Dickerson, Braydon Dickerson, and Savannah Dickerson.

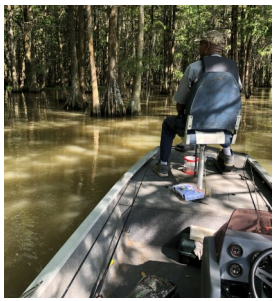
Larry was a true "Mr. Fix-It"—the person everyone called when something was broken, needed to be built, or simply needed someone who knew how to make it work. Whether repairing cars, working on home projects, or creating something through woodworking, Larry could find a way to get the job done. He freely shared his knowledge, especially with his three sons, teaching them not only how to fix things, but the value of hard work, dependability, and helping others.

Larry was a faithful member of Mt. Olive A.M.E. Church in Woodrow, South Carolina, for more than 20 years. He served on the Steward Board, as a Trustee, in the Sons of Allen, and as a member of the Male Chorus.

He is also survived by his brother, Morris Dickerson of High Point, North Carolina; sister, Barbara Dickerson Canty (Lawrence) of Pinewood, South Carolina; his sisters-in-law and their families, Rev. Henry J. and Ruth Murray, Juanita and Clarence Weston, Mildred Kincaid, and Barbara Brunson; and a host of beloved cousins, nieces and nephews.

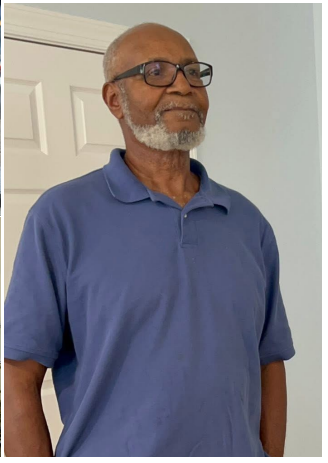
Larry was preceded in death by his parents, Richard Dickerson and Alethea Riley Dickerson, and brothers, Leslie Dickerson and Melvin Dickerson.

His legacy of faith, family, service, hard work, and helping others will live on through all who knew and loved him.























The Order of Sacred Worship

Rev. Dr. R. L. Brown, Presiding

Prelude …….…...…… Medley of Music ……..... Musicians

Processional ……..……..…….. Ministers and Family

Hymn of Celebration ……....…….. Combined Choir
Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Invocation ……..……...……. Minister

Old Testament ……..…....…….. Rev. H. J. Murray

New Testament …….. Pastor Susan Canty Burgess

Selection ……..…….…… Combined Choir

Resolution ……...….. Sumter SC Combat Veterans

Tributes …….. James Ray, Trustee and Sons of Allen
Lucille Burnett, Family Friend
James Mashore, Classmate
Ruth Murray, Family

Acknowledgements ……....…… Tobe Frierson Dickerson

Solo ……...…..……. Morgan Ray

Words of Comfort ……..……..…… Rev. Dr. R. L. Brown
Mt. Olive A.M.E. Church

Solo ……..…….. Ricardo Murray

Recessional and Postlude ……...… Medley of Music …… Combined Choir

The Benediction, Committal, & Interment

Hillside Memorial Park
2561 Cains Mill Rd., Sumter SC 29154

All are invited to a repast in the fellowship hall. The burial will be immediately following the repast.







To My Beloved Thelma

Thelma, my love, my partner, my friend,
With you by my side, I'd do it all again.
Through laughter and teasing,
through joy and through tears,
You stood right beside me through all of the years.

I loved to joke, to laugh, and to play,
And you always had something clever to say.
You could give it right back,
never missing your cue—
And that playful spirit was part of loving you.

Together we built a beautiful life,
Three sons, a family, through joy and through strife:
Shelton, Larry Jr., and Brandon, too,
Three precious blessings we shared and watched grow.

Then came our grandchildren,
three more gifts of love,
More reasons to thank our Father above.
We shared church, family, and memories so dear,
Moments I treasured year after year.

Thelma, my sweetheart, my wife and my friend,
Our love is a treasure that never will end.
If I could choose again, with all that I knew,
I'd live this life over—and still choose you.











To My Three Sons

Shelton, Larry Jr., and Brandon, my sons,

You were my shadows, my three little ones.
Wherever I went, you were close by my side,
Watching and learning, with eyes open wide.

You watched me fix cars, build, repair, and create,
Go fishing, lend a hand, and serve without hesitation.
You watched me cook and care for your mom,
And learned that a man leads with love, not just strength alone.

I didn't teach you only with words,
You learned by watching the things that you saw.
Through everyday moments, you learned how to be
Men who love family and serve faithfully.

Now you each have a child of your own,
Precious reflections of the seeds you've sown.
Love them, guide them, be present and true,
And give them the best of what I gave to you.

Carry our legacy, but make it your own.
Build on the foundation that you've always known.





