



## Freddie D. Thomas

March 19, 1942 - June 28, 2022

Freddie Douglas Thomas was born on March 19, 1942, in Monticello, GA to the late Troy Thomas Sr & Hattie Ruth Solomon Thomas.

The Thomas family moved to Henry County when Fred was 9 years old. He attended Mt. Olive School and Henry County Training School. He went to work for the City of Atlanta Sanitation Department as a laborer in 1960 and retired as Superintendent of Code Enforcement in June 1992. During his tenure at the City of Atlanta, he hired many young Black women and men from Henry & Butts counties, who went on to serve long and successfully with the City of Atlanta, many of whom reaped the benefits of retirement as well. On March 3, 1963, Fred married the late Shirley Ann Barber and to this union, two beautiful children were born.

Fred confessed Christ as his savior at an early age and became a member of Mt. Carmel Baptist Church, in Ola, GA at the age of 18 years old. He was ordained as a deacon by Rev O.H. Stinson. Fred loved to sing! So when his daughter Yolanda, organized the male choir, he was elated to join! He also served as Chairman of the Finance Committee until his passing.

Fred was a very dedicated, committed and determined Man of God. He served his church and community with love. After retirement, Fred drove for the Henry County School System. He loved it so much that he started his own Charter Service, affectionately known as Thomas Charters LLC. He transported families, senior citizen groups, private schools, public schools and alumni classes all over the southern states. He was the private coach service

elected for the Henry County Youth United in Christ Choir. Wherever young people needed to go, he was there to serve them and never charged them for his services. He also transported volunteers to downtown Atlanta on a monthly basis for 3 years to feed and clothe homeless citizens of the metro Atlanta area. After the passing of his lovely wife, Fred decided to dissolve Thomas Charter.

Following a valiant battle with cancer, Fred gained his wings early Tuesday morning June 28, 2022. His devotion to his family, church, community and his firm belief in The Most High God, supported him in his fight and ultimately gave him peace.

Freddie was preceded in death by his wife Shirley Ann Thomas, his parents Troy & Hattie Thomas, his siblings Eddie Thomas, Joe Thomas, Troy Thomas Jr., Edward Thomas & Robert Thomas.

Freddie leaves to cherish his memory, his daughter Yolanda Thomas-Wright of Stockbridge GA; son Frederick (Audrey) Thomas of Locust Grove, GA; his beloved granddaughter Briyana Wright of New Orleans, LA; Three sisters Viola (Ivery) Craddock, Lois Tyler & Ida (Grady) Meadows. Sisters-in-law Evyone Daniel and Barbara Thomas; brother in law Albert Barber Jr. A special nephew Louico Andre Thomas, niece Janice Stillwell Cotton and a host of nephews, nieces, cousins and friends.

# Previous Events

## Viewing

JUL 1. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Carmel Baptist Church  
647 Highway 42 S  
McDonough, GA 30253

## Service

JUL 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

Tabernacle of Praise Church International  
1640 Hwy 42 North  
McDonough, GA 30253  
[admin@topci.org](mailto:admin@topci.org)  
<http://topci.org/>

# Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Video Tribute*



W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home - July 05, 2022 at 03:00 PM



“ 2 files added to the album *Program*



W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home - July 02, 2022 at 10:59 AM

LG

“ LeSonya Groover lit a candle in memory of Freddie D. Thomas



LeSonya Groover - July 01, 2022 at 04:37 AM

AJ

“ Dearest Mr. Fred! Wow! There are soooo many great memories I have of you. I can recall the countless bus trips we took to sing all over the world it seemed like, when Yolanda had the HCYUIC Choir. I always tell her how that segment of my life was foundational to who I am today. I can't forget the bus trips downtown Atlanta to go and feed the homeless. This smile in your picture is the smile you always had. If you ever got upset, I never saw it. You were always calm, humble, and oh so kind. I'm glad you enjoyed my brunswick stew. I'll definitely miss making it for you. Thank you for showing us as young people and adults what unconditional and everlasting love looked like as you relentlessly gave to Ms. Shirley, Yolanda, and Brie. I'll forever remember your example. You have gone on to receive your new body and I celebrate the fact that you fought the good, good fight and touched sooooo many lives in the process. Take your rest Daddy Fred! We love you, but God loved you best. Earnestly praying for this precious family.

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**Antoinette Jackson** - July 01, 2022 at 12:20 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Freddie D. Thomas.



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June 30, 2022 at 07:27 PM

CE

“ *Chiquita Crawford Edwards* lit a candle in memory of Freddie D. Thomas



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**Chiquita Crawford Edwards** - June 30, 2022 at 01:15 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Freddie D. Thomas.*



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June 30, 2022 at 09:49 AM



“ *Rainbow Reflections Basket was purchased for the family of Freddie D. Thomas.*



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June 30, 2022 at 12:31 AM



“ *As a friend of the Thomas family, I send my condolences to Andre", Beverly and all the rest. Mr. Thomas was a kind and humble man who was an anchor for all of you. May God bless and strengthen you all during this time of loss.*

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**Angela Denise Simon** - June 29, 2022 at 11:10 PM



“ *Neshundra Compton lit a candle in memory of Freddie D. Thomas*



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**Neshundra Compton** - June 29, 2022 at 09:31 PM

MC

“ *Melissa Craddock lit a candle in memory of Freddie D. Thomas*



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**Melissa Craddock** - June 29, 2022 at 08:52 PM

MP

“ *Mattie Price lit a candle in memory of Freddie D. Thomas*



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**Mattie Price** - June 29, 2022 at 05:42 PM

SG

“ *Scherley Gleaton lit a candle in memory of Freddie D. Thomas*



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**Scherley Gleaton** - June 29, 2022 at 01:20 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Freddie D. Thomas.*



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June 29, 2022 at 12:41 PM

LW

“ Uncle Fred I have no words..I am so sad that you had to leave but I am joyful that you are out of your pain and sickness.I promise to take care the salon .I love you..Tell my dad ams mom I said hello.I miss them and I am going to miss you



Levette Williams - June 29, 2022 at 11:26 AM

RN

“ My Condolences goes out Thomas Family a Great work with him down thru the years travel up down the road.to the flea market RiH



Rick Nelson - June 29, 2022 at 08:51 AM

NH

“ We gonna miss you Fred especially riding on da bus from da Henderson family ❤️❤️🙏🙏🙏🙏

neka Henderson - June 29, 2022 at 07:16 AM

PI

“ Prayers and condolences for our family and the Mt. Carmel Baptist Church Family. You have our love and support.  
-Pastor & First Lady Tyler and the Mt. Bethel Baptist Church family.



Pastor Gregory Tyler II - June 28, 2022 at 02:28 PM

FB

*I am saddened by Freddie's death. But I am happy that he is out of his pain. Freddie hired me as his secretary with the City of Atlanta in the early 90's. He taught me so much. He was so kind and considerate. We used to talk every week until he could no longer talk because he was resting. I love my friend dearly and I will always remember him.*

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**Florida Miles Brown** - July 01, 2022 at 10:25 AM