## —Order of Service— In Loving Memory of Randy Thomason

Prelude

Processional

Hymn "Blessed Assurance"

JoAndrea Costner and Congregation

Scriptures

Old Testament Psalm 90:1-10

Rev. Charles Ashley

New Testament Revelation 21:1-7

Prayer

Acknowledgments Rev. Charles Ashley

Robert Carpenter
Samuel Moss
Doug Moore

(Please Limit 2 mins)

Song "I'm Going to Leave You in the Hands of the Lord" Samuel Moss - Prayer Band

The Eulogy Rev. Jelester Sanders

Hymn "Amazing Grace"

Samuel Moss - Prayer Band

The Recessional Prayer Band

—Interment—Gaston Memorial ParkGastonia, North Carolina

**Randy Thomason**, son of Mae Ola Thomason and the late John M. Thomason was born April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1953 in York County, South Carolina.

On August 10, 2022, Randy transitioned from his earthly home. He is preceded in death by his beloved grandmother, Viola Ashley Ratchford and grandparents, Robert and Essie Ashley, and his aunt Geraldine Shanks.

Randy was defined by his many passions; Genealogy, History, Reading, and being a Fireman. Also, he had a passion for solar and renewable energy. He also had a passion for all forms of racing especially drag racing and was a devoted UNC Tar Heel Basketball fan.

Randy was a member of various societies which included: Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society, Charlotte Chapter, Gaston/Lincoln Genealogical Society, Olde Mecklenburg Genealogical Society, Hoyle Historic Homestead Board of Directors, and The Ranlo Fire & Rescue Board of Directors. Also, The Mecklenburg Historical Association-Portrayer for "Voices of the Past" -William Henry Houser "A Builder of the New South", Historic Rosedale, Historical Old Blue Branch Presbyterian Church of Sharon, SC. Randy was a benefits coordinator for CWA3605.

Randy fought the good fight, stayed the course, kept the faith; Henceforth, you have been an inspiration to all that has met him on this side of Heaven. There is another meeting place as we come to the end of this life; where separation comes no more. A meeting place on those beautiful shores, a place called Heaven.

Randy was an influential and an inspirational pillar whom shared his knowledge and wisdom to all of those that were honored to cross his path along his earthly journey.

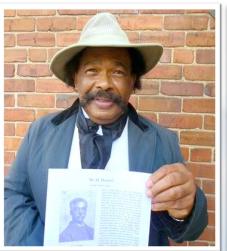
Randy is survived by his wife, Rhonda H. Thomason; three sons, Ronald Thomason (Peggy), Randy Thomason (Carrie) and Ryan Thomason all of Gastonia, NC. Mother: Mae Ola Thomason of Winston Salem, NC: Sisters, Sharon Moore of McDonough, GA, Donna Kendrick of Gastonia, NC, Yolanda Davenport (Calvin) of Winston Salem, NC, and Lisa Phillips of Cramerton, NC; Brother; Sam Berry of Gastonia, NC; Three Grandchildren, Ashleyn Thomason, Dallas Garvin, and Mallory Jade Thomason all of Gastonia, NC; Aunts, Pauline Wilkerson, Annie Lee Simpson, Alice Thomas (James), Mary Ann Jackson (Harvey), and Pennina Thomason and Emma Mae Thomason; Sisters-in-law; Elizabeth Byers, Ann Moss (Samuel); Brothers-in-law; Sam Hardy (Queen) and Roy Hardy (Willie Mae). Also, a host of cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.





















## 23 Psalm

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadet me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

Flower Bearers - Nieces

Pall Bearers - Nephews

## Acknowledgements

The family of Mr. Randy Thomason would like to express with sincere appreciation to the pastor and deacons of New High Springs Baptist Church, relatives, and friends for all expressions of kindness and love shown to us during the loss of our loved one. We are comforted by your prayers, phone calls, and floral tributes and everything that you've done has helped to lighten our heavy hearts during our time of bereavement.

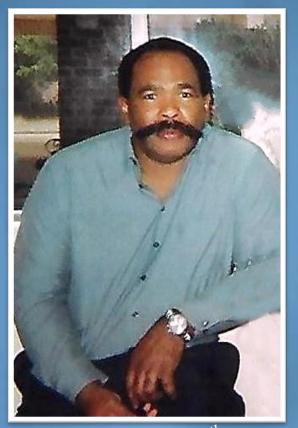
A special thank you to Ranlo Fire and Rescue. May the grace of God continue to bless each and every one of you.

The Thomason Family!

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## A Celebration of Life of Randy Thomason April 23, 1953 - August 10, 2022



Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> 2022 2:00 PM Quiet Hour 1:00 - 2:00 PM

New High Springs Baptist Church 811 South Dalton Street Gastonia, North Carolina 28052 Rev. Jelester Sanders, Pastor