

## ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Shaver Autry  
Cameron Dunn

Clifton Autry  
Daniel Quen Dunn

Arthur Dunn  
Ian Crim-Davis

## HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Rehobeth High School Class of 1965

## ACTIVE FLOWER BEARERS

Heather Dunn  
Latoya Ash-Dunn

Olivia Dunn  
Crystal Autry

Annslee Dunn  
Nikki Walker

## HONORARY FLOWER BEARERS

Rehobeth High School Class of 1965

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

*The family of the late Coach Arthur Dunn, Jr., is grateful for all of the acts of kindness, love and sympathy shown to them during this time of bereavement. Special thanks to Pastor Eric Stamps, Hall Memorial C. M. E., Dr. David Fagan and staff, Florence Hand Staff, Chattahoochee Hospice Staff, Reverend Michael T. Stiggers, UAB Hospital and the staff of Dr. Mustafa Ahmed, and EAMC-Lanier, especially Nurse Denise Hughes.*

## INTERMENT

Hall Memorial C. M. E. Church  
208 Huguley Road | Valley, AL 36854

## FAMILY REPAST

New Dimensions Worship Center  
5610 20th Avenue | Valley, AL 36854  
Bishop Donald Lancaster, Pastor

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ENTRUSTED TO

**M. W. Lee Mortuary, Inc.**

1304 East 10th Street

West Point, GA 31833

Phone: (706) 643-3222 Fax: (706) 643-3022

Website: [mwleemortuary.com](http://mwleemortuary.com) email address: [mwlee@charter.net](mailto:mwlee@charter.net)

"Where Services Becomes An Everlasting Memory"



*Celebrating*  
**THE Life AND**  
*Homegoing*  
OF



**Coach**  
**ARTHUR DUNN, JR.**  
**OCTOBER 5, 1929 - MAY 20, 2022**

Saturday, May 28, 2022 | 12:00 p.m.

**RAM STADIUM**  
Valley, Alabama

*Reverend Michael T. Stiggers, Officiant | Reverend Eric Stamps, Eulogist*  
*Reverend Michael Winston | Reverend Jesse Walker II*  
*Reverend Richard Carter | Bishop Donald Lancaster*  
*Reverend Frederick James, PhD | Reverend Willie G. Wimberly*

# Life

**ARTHUR DUNN** grew up as the oldest child of the late Arthur Dunn, Sr., and the late Petronia Avery Dunn of Cusseta, Alabama, on October 5, 1929, in Chambers County, Alabama. He departed this life on Friday, May 20, 2022. He accepted Christ early in life, and he was a faithful member of Hall Memorial C. M. E. Church in Valley, Alabama. Through his years at Hall Memorial, he served in many capacities, such as Sunday school superintendent, steward, and choir member.

He attended grade school and junior high in Shawmut and graduated from Lanier High in Lanett, and Tuskegee University, where he earned numerous medals in track and field. He also studied at the University of Maine and the University of San Francisco.

Arthur was a 2nd Lieutenant in the U. S. Army and was honorably discharged.

On December 23, 1954, Arthur made a lifelong commitment of love and faithfulness to the late Ollye Shaver Dunn. To this union, three children were born, Tamalita, Aquenda, and Kevin.

He was preceded in death by Ollye Shaver Dunn, his loving wife for over 54 years, his brother, Ross Dunn, and his sisters, Letronia Dunn and Elizabeth Barnes.

Coach Dunn spent 37 years in the field of education, including 16 years as a coach and math teacher at Valley High School, and five additional years teaching after his retirement from coaching. Before beginning his career at Valley High, Dunn taught at Davis Trade School in Hopkinsville, KY, and Five Points School in Five Points, Alabama. He also taught and coached at his beloved Rehobeth High School in Valley, Alabama. He was principal of Hopewell Junior High in Hopewell (Milltown), and he taught mathematics at Greenville High School in Greenville, Georgia, for two years.

When he retired as coach in 1986, his teams had accumulated a record of 379 wins and 161 losses. Coach Dunn earned a Meritorious Service Award from the Alabama High School Athletic Directors and Coaches Association.

While at Rehobeth, he believed it was his job to take the boys home after practices.

# PRECIOUS MEMORIES



# PRECIOUS MEMORIES



When they had a game, he took all the players home after the game. He used his truck for many purposes such as driving through the crowd in the field when his boys were 'misbehaving.' He rode around town at night checking to see if any players were missing their coach-mandated curfew. His wife, Ollye, rode with him.

Coach Dunn ruled his students with "a short hose pipe and a stern voice," but students still loved him because they knew he cared. When Coach walked the hall, things changed. People would say, "Here comes Coach Dunn!" Teachers would run as well as students.

Coach went to Valley High School in 1970 under integration laws. He made history by becoming the first Black basketball coach at Valley High School. Coach faced this great task as a great man. Valley High Rams were champions that year. God always has a plan, just look at Jeremiah 29:11. In his retirement, he continued to be a dedicated mathematics tutor.

## Legacy

The new gymnasium at W. F. Burns Middle School officially became the Coach Arthur Dunn, Jr., Gym, named for an amazing legend who was a longtime educator and coach.

He leaves to cherish his precious memories: a loving and devoted daughter, Minister Tamalita (Reverend Leonard) Autry of Lanett, Alabama; two loving and dedicated sons, Aquenda (Patricia) Dunn of Covington, Georgia and Kevin R. Dunn of LaGrange, Georgia; grandchildren, Shaver Autry, Clifton (Crystal) Autry, Latoya Ash-Dunn, Heather Dunn, Cameron Dunn, Olivia Dunn, Daniel Quen Dunn, Annslee Dunn, J'Arthur Dunn; great-grandchildren, who lovingly called him "Paw Paw," Ian Crim-Davis, S. J. Autry, McKinley Grace Autry, Matthew Dunn, Jordyn Morgan, Cayden Dunn, and Princeton Dunn; one sister-in-law, Rosa Leatherwood Dunn; many nieces and nephews; and a host of cousins and friends.

He will live on in the memory of those whose lives he touched. For his death is not a benediction, it is a resurrection. Now in a fairer land with finer materials and better working conditions, he will do better, for he will find the last home and last assignment the best.

*“For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand, I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me on that day and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.”*

**2ND TIMOTHY 4:6-8 (KJV)**

# Order of Service

*Reverend Michael T. Stiggers, Officiant*

**Processional**

**Scripture Readings:**

Old Testament..... Reverend Michael Winston

New Testament..... Reverend Dr. Jesse Walker II

Prayer..... Bishop Donald Lancaster

Song of Praise..... Dr. Rosephanye Dunn Powell

Words of Comfort..... Reverend Frederick James, PhD

**Reflections:**

As a Student Athlete..... Deacon Willie “Bo” Dunn

As a Church Member..... Sister Charlene Atkinson

As a Mentor..... Reverend Richard Carter

Family Tribute..... Grandchildren and Children

Acknowledgements..... Reverend Gretchen Holloway

Song of Praise..... Reverend Willie G. Wimberly

Eulogy..... Reverend Eric Stamps,

*Pastor of Hall Memorial C.M.E. Church*

**Mortician and Staff**

**Recessional**

# PRECIOUS MEMORIES

