He Is Gone

You can shed tears that he is gone Or you can smile because he has lived.

You can close your eyes and pray that he will come back Or you can open your eyes and see all that he has left.

Your heart can be empty because you can't see him Or you can be full of the love that you shared.

You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.

You can remember him and only that he is gone Or you can cherish his memory and let it live on.

You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back Or you can do want he would want:
Smile, open your eyes, love and go on.







Floral and Pall Bearers Family and Friends

Acknowledgement

We, the family of James Thomas, would like to thank everyone for your many acts of kindness shown during the passing of our beloved. Please continue to keep us in your prayers.

May God continue to bless all of you.

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Celebrating the Life of Mr. James Thomas "Tic Tac" Sunrise Sunset December 24, 2024 November 9, 1938 Gregory Funeral Service Chapel 601 N. York Street Gastonia, North Carolina Thursday; January 2, 2025 10:30 a.m. Pastor Curtis Carter, Officiating New Generation Harvest Church Gastonia, North Carolina

Order of Service

Processional

Visitation for family and friends from 10:00 until 10:30 a.m.

Call to Worship

Pastor Curtis Carter

Song

Scripture Readings
Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Remarks (2 minutes, please)

Song

Words of Comfort

Recessional

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Interment
Gaston Memorial Park
Gastonia, North Carolina









"I am the light of the world; he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." (John 8:12)



Life Reflections

On Tuesday; December 24, 2024, the door of earthly life for **James "Tic Tac" Thomas** was quietly closed in Lumberton, North Carolina and a new life began.

James Thomas, the son of the late Riley Mae Blue Jones, was born on November 9, 1938 in Dillon County, South Carolina. He was educated in the South Carolina School System and loved gardening and planting flowers.

James was preceded in death by his parent:Riley Mae Blue Jones; grandmother: Mary Alice Blue, one sister: Flora Mae Nance; one aunt: Mrs. Corine Whittington, four uncles: Perlie Blue, Farmer Blue, Sr., David Blue and Truss Whittington; one brother-in-law: Marvin Nance, Jr., and his significant other: Annie Ruth "Ann" Ross.

James leaves to cherish fond and loving memories to his caregiver: Farmer (Linda) Blue, Jr. of Lake View, South Carolina; former caregiver: Patsy Williams of Dallas, North Carolina; one sister: Flora "Boy" McInnis of Little Rock, South Carolina; one brother: John David (Emma) Thomas of Laurinburg, North Carolina; one aunt: Louise Blue of Lake View, South Carolina; two special cousins: Bridgette (Preston) Abraham of Lake View, South Carolina; Alice Faye Blue of Mullins, South Carolina and a traveling buddy: Kenneth Whittington of Charlotte, North Carolina and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.