



REMEMBERING *Jesse*

On December 1, 2025, Jesse Earl Beverly was called to his heavenly home. Jesse was born in Birmingham, Alabama on January 11, 1963, to the late Frank Beverly, Sr. and Molly Mae Evans Beverly.

Jesse was the third of nine children and never hesitated to share his wisdom with his siblings. Affectionately called “Earl the Pearl” by family and friends, he carried himself with quiet strength and courage, qualities his siblings deeply admired.

Jesse spent most of his adult life in Forest City and Gastonia. While living in Gastonia, he was grateful for the opportunity to work at Jackson’s Cafeteria, a job that allowed him to share his passion for cooking. He became quite fond of both his work and his co-workers, and he often said he felt as though he had gained another family. Jesse loved his job and was known for being the early bird. Customers looked forward to seeing his big smile and enjoying the food he prepared with such pride.

Outside of work, Jesse enjoyed a variety of hobbies. He was an enthusiastic chess player who competed twice a week at Defray’s Barbershop and proudly liked to say, “No one can beat me because I’m the JB”. He was also a devoted sports fan who loved watching the Carolina Panthers and discussing the games with his sister, Fulvia whom he fondly referred to as “Wook”. When he wasn’t watching sports, he could often be found listening to music, adding a few of his own dance moves. Jesse also loved indulging in his favorite pastimes, watching movies. He was known to recite entire scenes word for word and especially enjoyed old-school films, including classic cowboy movies.

He was preceded in death by his brothers, Frank Beverly, Jr. David McClinnham and his sisters, Theresa McClinnham and Matrice McClinnham.

He is survived by his daughter, Denecia “Delicious” Bevil of Washington, DC; sisters, Cynthia Fredlaw of Charlotte, NC, Fulvia Beverly of Charlotte, NC, Debra Ann Beverly of Gastonia, NC and brother Andre Beverly of Charlotte, NC; 4 grandchildren, Kelvon, Remedey and Marquel Bevil and Teliyah Wade of Washington, DC and a host of special nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Jesse leaves behind a loving family who will forever cherish his presence, his wisdom, and his joyful spirit. We are grateful for the time we had with him and for the many memories that will continue to warm our hearts.



Thursday, December 11, 2025

12:00 Noon

Center Baptist Church

3301 S. New Hope Road, Gastonia, North Carolina

Rev. Dr Pierre J. Crawford, Th.D., Pastor

ORDER OF SERVICE

Call to Worship - Rev. Dr Pierre J. Crawford, Th.D.
Senior Pastor Center Baptist Church, Gastonia, NC

Open Selections-My soul is Anchored in the Lord
Douglas Miller

Old Testament-Bishop Nate M Jefferson

New Testament-Bishop Nate M Jefferson

Prayer of comfort-Overseer Rodney Lynch

Selection- Amazing Grace - Jessica Gibbs

Acknowledgments

Remarks (2 minutes)

Defay Lomick

Fulvia Beverly

Reading of the obituary Silently
(I Can Only Imagine Instrumental)

Eulogist Rev. Dr Pierre J. Crawford, Th.D.
Senior Pastor Center Baptist Church Gastonia, NC

Benediction-Rev. Dr Pierre J. Crawford, Th.D.
Senior Pastor Center Baptist Church, Gastonia, NC

Closing Selection - I've Been In the Storm Too Long
Composer -Mighty Clouds of Joy

Repast donated by Jackson's Cafeteria of Gastonia

To Those Whom I Love & Those Who Love Me

When I am gone, release me, let me go.
I have so many things to see and do,
You mustn't tie yourself to me with too many tears,
But be thankful we had so many good years.

I gave you my love, and you can only guess
How much you've given me in happiness.
I thank you for the love that you have shown,
But now it is time I traveled on alone.

So grieve for me a while, if grieve you must,
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
It is only for a while that we must part,
So treasure the memories within your heart.

I won't be far away for life goes on.
And if you need me, call and I will come.

Though you can't see or touch me, I will be near.
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear,
All my love around you soft and clear.

And then, when you come this way alone,
I'll greet you with a smile and a 'Welcome Home'.
Arthur Unknown

NOTE OF THANKS

The family would like to express our feelings of gratitude to all that called, texted, emailed or just said a prayer for the family during our time of bereavement.

A special thanks go to the management of
Jackson's Cafeteria Gastonia for the wonderful repast meal.



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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

Jesse E. Beverly
JANUARY 11, 1963 - DECEMBER 1, 2025

