Afterglow I'd like the memory of me

To be a happy one. I'd like to leave an afterglow Of smiles when life is done. I'd like to leave an echo Whispering softly down the ways Of happy times and laughing times And bright and summer days. I'd like the tears of those who grieve To dry before the sun Of happy memories that I leave When life is done.

Pallbearers

Dunbarton Lodge #371 PHA

Floral Attendants

Friends of the Family

Acknowledgement

The family of the late Mr. Thomas Edwards would like to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to each of you for the kindness and love extended to us during our time of bereavement.

> May God bless each of you. The Edwards Family

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Thomas **EDWARDS**

Sunrise Sunset
MARCH 31, 1932 JULY 11, 2023

Tuesday, July 18, 2023 | 11:00 AM

MT. SINAI BAPTIST CHURCH 1451 Washington Badger Road Martin, South Carolina 29836

Reverend Dr. Edward Johnson, Pastor Reverend Wayne A. Bennett, Eulogist

Obituary

Mr. Thomas Edwards, 91, passed away on July 11, 2023, at Veteran's Victory House Retirement Home in Walterboro, South Carolina. He was born on March 31, 1932, in Martin, South Carolina, to Mr. Robbie Edwards and Mrs. Daisy Edwards.

Mr. Thomas Edwards served his country in the United States Air Force for four years and then enlisted in the United States Army for 21 years. After retiring from active duty in the military, Thomas was employed with EEOC for 31 years.

Thomas was a member of the NAACP, Retired Officer Association, Dunbarton Lodge Masonic Lodge #17 in Barnwell, South Carolina, whereby he served as a Senior Steward, Deacon at Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church of Martin, South Carolina, Martin Male Choir, and the Big 7 Association.

Thomas enjoyed singing and spending time with his family.

Thomas was preceded in death by his mother, Mrs. Daisy Overstreet Edwards; father, Mr. Robbie Edwards; sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Edwards Williams and husband Johnny Williams; brothers, Mr. Robbie and wife Mary Edwards, Jr., and Mr. James Edwards, Sr.; niece, Sandra Edwards Shine; and nephew, Edgar Edwards.

He leaves to cherish his life: his brother, Mr. Otis (Callie) Edwards; sister, Mrs. Gladys Juanita (Joseph) Jenkins; sister-in-law, Wilhelmina Edwards, nephews, Mr. Obie Andre (Artri) Spratling, Mr. James Edwards, Jr. and Mr. Mark Williams; nieces, Mrs. Earline (Stephen) Washington, Mrs. Linda (Artillious) Holmes, Mrs. Cynthia (Joseph) Miley, Ms. Shancy Edwards, and Alicia (Kenneth) Chisholm and many other family members and friends.



Order of Service

| Presiding | Reverend Dr. Bernice Graves |
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| Praise and Worship | |
| Processional Viewing | Clergy, Family, and Friends |
| Scripture Readings: Old Testament New Testament | Deacon James L. Pinkney Deacon Eugene Capers |
| Selection | Martin Male Choir |
| Neighbor/Friend Family Member | Brother Terrance Wallace, 32 Degree WM |
| AcknowledgementsMrs | s. Earline Washington, Jacksonville, Florida |
| Selection | Thomas Edward's Favorite Song Martin Male Choir |
| Words of Comfort | Reverend Wayne A. Bennett Mt. Hope Baptist Church Martin, South Carolina |
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Interment

The Edwards Cemetery 1082 Patterson Mill Road Martin, South Caroline 29836 With Full Military Honors

Repast will be held at Mt. Sinai Fellowship Hall.



