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He had a unique relationship with each of his siblings. He looked up to his older brother, Chuckie, and looked after his younger brother, Vincent, especially in middle school. Oldest sister, Burnetta, guided him with a stern hand and a teacher's voice. Gwin expressed a soft and calming voice of encouragement, and Elaine pushed and demanded his best effort. His siblings took care of him, and always made sure he had all the medical and personal supplies needed to care for him, including snacks. Denise (Neicy), his devoted baby sister, was his friend and bodyguard. They were always together. Throughout his life and his final moments, she never left his side. He knew he could always rely on her and the rest of his family, no matter what.

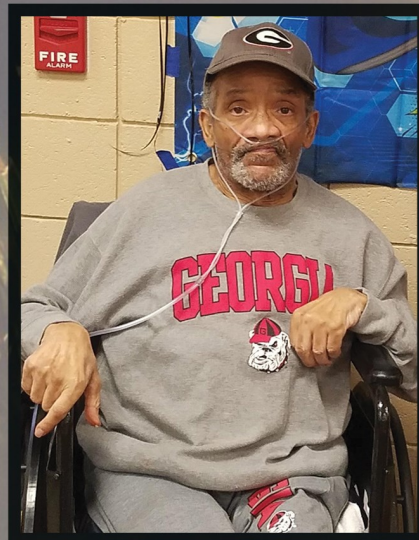
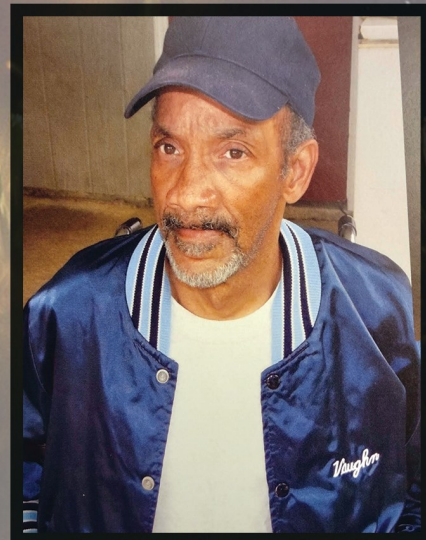
Greg was dear to all of his family. Whether near or far, he always wanted to know where his family was, what they were doing and when they were coming home. He enjoyed feeding the birds, especially the red ones. So, if you see a red bird, think of him. If you think you can't do it, think of Greg, be inspired and know that you can do it. When you have a sweet treat, think of him. He led a full life, and our hearts are full of love for our brother, uncle, cousin, and friend.

He is survived by four sisters, Burnetta (Charles) Pender, Elaine Wiggins, Denise Brown all of Summerville, GA, and Gwinetta (Orange, Jr.) Evans of LaGrange, Georgia; two brothers, Charles A. (Madonna) Vaughn, Jr. of Deltona, Florida and Vincent (Christy) Madden of Chickamauga, Georgia; uncle Cleveland L. (Annie) Vaughn of Summerville, GA; brother-in-law, Larry Allen of Summerville, GA; devoted niece and caregiver, Nakia Brown; dear friends, Dan Mosteller, Linda Wooten, Myrtis Evans and Susan Reece; nieces, Tabatha, Kiera, Alissa, Erika, Timerra, Ziyah and Shelby, nephews, Johannes, Craig Sr., Scott, Zayvian, Trey, Devin, Malik and Connor, great nieces, Asia, Kaylin, Joshlin, Ashlin, Alexa, Sierra Grace, Moriah, great nephews, Jacques, Craig Jr., Demontaye, Courtney, Jae-Taj, Kariden, Elijah, Jadieah, Javon, Jarred and Jordan; great great niece Melina, and great great nephew, Jackson and a host of cousins, relatives, and friends.



# God Saw You

*God saw him getting tired,  
And a cure was not to be;  
He wrapped his loving arms  
and whispered, "Come with me".  
He suffered much in silence,  
his spirit did not bend.  
He faced his pain with courage,  
until the very end.  
He tried so hard to stay with us,  
but his fight was not in vain.  
God took him to his loving home,  
and freed him from pain.*



# Celebrating the Life of

SUNRISE  
JUNE 28, 1955

SUNSET  
NOVEMBER 12, 2023



## Mr. Gregory Lee

# VAUGHN

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**MR. GREGORY LEE VAUGHN**



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READING FROM THE HOLY WORD.....

OLD TESTAMENT.....MINISTER

NEW TESTAMENT.....MINISTER

THE PRAYER OF COMFORT.....MINISTER

SELECTION.....

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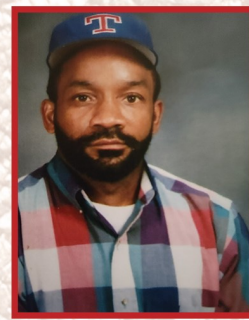
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The Vaughn family is grateful for your expressions of love and kindness. We thank you for your prayers that continue to guide and support us at this time. We also would like to thank the medical staff at Atrium Health Floyd.

May God richly bless you all.



**The Life Story of**  
**MR. GREGORY LEE VAUGHN**  
JUNE 28, 1955 - NOVEMBER 12, 2023



Mr. Gregory Lee Vaughn- Age 68, of Summerville, Georgia passed away peacefully Sunday morning, November 12, 2023 surrounded by his family. He was born June 28, 1955 to his late parents, father Charles Augusta and mother Jimmie Lee Long Vaughn, Sr. Greg was a member of New Bethel Baptist Church. He was previously employed at Lyerly Glove Mill and for many years he was employed by the Chattooga County School System as a Custodian at Summerville Middle School.

Gregory lived a blessed and spirited life. He always met life's challenges and his disabilities head on. In his early life he attended Trion West Side Elementary and graduated from Chattooga High School in 1974. He was always great with numbers and enjoyed home economics class.

Greg created his own words, his own way, and his own unique will of spirit. He never asked "Why me?" but always asked "Why not?" " I can do anything. I just may need to do it differently." His spirit was strong in a world of "He won't", but he did. In a world full of "No you can't", he said, " Yes, I can. I can graduate. I can drive. I can work. I can own a home." If you count him out, he would prove you wrong.

Gregory liked to work because he loved to have his own money and not have to depend on others. During his life he was employed at the Lyerly Glove Mill and Chattooga County Middle School. He worked hard, earned money and saved his money because he valued his independence.

Greg may have been the smartest person in the room. He never forgot anyone or anything and always saw the little details. He had a great memory. If you lost something, he could find it. Being good with numbers, he loved the lottery. He just knew he would figure those numbers out. Sometimes he had good luck, but his life wasn't about luck. It was about hard work. He worked hard at things most people took for granted.

Gregory connected to others in an individual and unique way. He may not have been good with names sometimes, but he would find something special about that person; eyes, hair, voice, their job, or a kindness they expressed to him, and he would remember him or her always. Greg was polite and grateful. He looked out for his family, friends and the elderly. His words may not have always been clear to others, but his intentions were always clear through his tone of voice and facial expressions. His closest family and friends always knew his heart.

Greg enjoyed life. Wearing a hat was part of his daily dressing routine. His favorite colors were blue, black and gray. Along with Cash3 and Scratch-off tickets he liked watching his favorite TV shows (the Price is Right, Let's Make A Deal, Family Feud, Blue Bloods, Fast and Furious, scary movies (even though he was terrified and cooking shows (as long as they were not making vegetables). He loved fast cars and beautiful women, including pretty nurses. James Brown was his favorite singer, and he enjoyed playing cards. Greg was an avid sports fan, especially a big Georgia Bulldogs fan. He watched the Atlanta Braves, the Falcons, Florida State, Atlanta Hawks, and the Golden State Warriors (and any team his nieces and nephews played for, as well). He loved watching the game with family and friends, but especially his favorite caregivers Neicy and Nakia. All of his life he had a connection and love for animals. He had pet dogs, cats, a rabbit, and a duck (named Quack Quack). His most recent favorite pets we his cats... Domino (ate right out of his hand and slept next to him), Lucy (with a little attitude), and Sweetie (rolling around & doing tricks for him). He always wanted to adopt the "pet of the day" on TV, telling Nakia to call that number right now because he'd like to have that dog. He enjoyed food, dessert, and candy. In his last moments, he asked for a piece of candy and gave the nurses a big "Go Dawgs!"

Greg enjoyed working at the school. Part of the reason he enjoyed it was that Uncle Greg could always keep an eye on his nieces. If he saw them in the office he would report it to his mom, and they were in trouble before they got home from school, just for taking a note or the attendance record to the office in the morning. He would always make sure his nieces and their friends had a ride home from school, but let them know these extra stops were wasting his gas for the week. Even after he retired, he made sure to keep up with the school calendar and activities, counting down to the start of school, holidays, vacation days, and summer vacation.

Gregory loved to vacation with his family, although he didn't like flying. He went to the beach, took a cruise to Mexico and road the Big Thunder Mountain roller coaster at Disney World.

Greg loved his family, all of them. He would do anything for family and friends, he was good at giving small secret gifts to others. And as any good uncle does, he always gave nieces and nephews a little money or change; telling them not to spend it and not to ask for anymore. He always supported his nieces and nephews in fundraisers, sports, pageants, and anything they wanted to accomplish. Recently, he'd been telling his great nieces and great nephews, who have or will soon graduate, to find jobs and work hard every day. Although he didn't have children of his own, he was very influential and inspirational to so many young lives.