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The Celebration of Life
for
Mr. Arthur Auburn "Art" Farria, Jr.

Sunrise:
December 30, 1950

Sunset:
November 29, 2025



~Service~

Saturday, December 6, 2025

12:00 P. M.

Mt. Peria Baptist Church

341 Sparks St.

Ringgold, GA 30736

Rev. Timothy Bullock, Eulogist

Pastor Edward Ellis, Presider

The Order of Homegoing Service

Presider, Pastor Edward Ellis

Prelude.....Mr. Vincent Stalling, Musician
Processional

Selection.....Voices of Grace

Consolation from the Holy Word

Old Testament.....Minister

New Testament.....Minister

Prayer of Comfort.....Minister

Resolutions & Remarks.....Family, Friends, & Ministers
(2 minutes please)

Selection.....Voices of Grace

Eulogy.....Rev. Timothy Bullock
Wood Memorial Baptist Church, College Park, GA

Recessional.....Musician
Postlude

The repast will immediately follow the recessional

Committal, Closing Prayer, Benediction, & Interment
Ringgold Community Cemetery

Our Deepest Gratitude

*We are sincerely grateful for your prayers, love,
support, and concerns extended during the life
and passing of our loved one. Your kindness and
thoughtful deeds will live within our hearts forever.
Your faithfulness has served as a source of strength
which will help sustain us during the days ahead.
May God bless each and every one of you.
~The Family ~*

A Loving Farewell for *Mr. Arthur Auburn “Art” Farria, Jr.*

December 30, 1950 – November 29, 2025

A Life Filled With Love, Faith, and Family

Arthur Auburn Farria, Jr., beloved husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend, passed away peacefully on Saturday, November 29, 2025, surrounded by his loving family. Born in New Orleans, Louisiana, he carried the spirit, soul, and resilience of his hometown with him throughout his life. He had been baptized as a child at the family church, True Vine Baptist in New Orleans, a moment that sparked his everlasting love for the Lord.

He graduated in May 1968 from Joseph S. Clark Senior High in New Orleans, where he first discovered his love for performance and rhythm as a drum major in the band. He then furthered his education at Grambling State University, where he earned a scholarship to participate as a drum major in the “World-Famed Tiger Marching Band.” He ended his time at Grambling early but found his professional calling with Southern Railway (now Norfolk Southern) in New Orleans. His dedication and strong work ethic earned him the respect of his colleagues and lifelong friendships.

It was in New Orleans that he married his first wife, Rhodia Rolling (Farria Charlton). In New Orleans they welcomed their first child, Garrick Arthur Farria, and later moved with the railroad to Cincinnati, Ohio where their family grew with the additions of Jerren Jamar Farria and Ronita Joyce Farria. Art continued his career and embraced the Midwest with his characteristic warmth. The family attended Good News Church of God in Christ and Christ Emmanuel Christian Fellowship. He and Rhodia were married for 25 years. Art was a very involved father, attending all the children’s sporting events, becoming the official announcer “voice” of their high school football Friday nights, finding fun adventures for the family to be a part of, and making sure that the little joys of life were experienced.

In time, the railroad led him to Atlanta, Georgia, where he married his second wife, Dorothy Mae Farria, and became stepfather to his bonus children, Timothy Henderson, Margaret Hubbard, and Joia Henderson. Atlanta became a new home filled with new memories, a new community, and renewed joy. Art retired from Norfolk Southern Railway after 40 years of service. He worshipped faithfully at Woods Memorial Baptist Church, where he served proudly as a deacon until the family moved to Ringgold, Georgia, to be closer to family. His faith was not just something he practiced on Sundays; it was the guiding force of his life.

A lifelong sports enthusiast, he was a passionate fan of the Cincinnati Bengals Football team, Cincinnati Reds Baseball team, and the Ohio State Buckeyes Football team. After settling in Georgia, he grew to love the Atlanta Falcons Football and Atlanta Braves Baseball teams—yet he always kept a place in his heart devoted to the New Orleans Saints. No matter the season, you could always find him in his man cave watching one of his teams take the field.

He also held a deep appreciation for Black history, especially Negro League Baseball. Collecting memorabilia and clothing items, he loved discussing the history and legacy of Blacks in baseball. If he wasn’t watching sports he was watching old western movies

Above all else, he loved his family. His children, grandchildren, and extended loved ones brought him his greatest joy. His love, his wisdom, and his unwavering support will live on in each of them. Art is preceded in death by his father, Arthur Auburn Farria, Sr., mother, Ida Mae Baxter Farria, and brother, Karl Farria.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Farria; his children, Garrick Farria (Denita), Jerren Farria (LaTia), Ronita Farria Dean (Scott), Timothy Henderson, Jr. (Letha), Margaret Hubbard (Phillip), and Joia Henderson (Allyson Brooks); grandchildren, Demetrius Singh, Tre’ Dean, Christina Farria, Roman Dean, Ryanne Farria, Langston Dean , Gregory Pitmon, Jr., Naurice Pitmon, Arterian Pitmon, Savannah Hubbard, Timira Bell, Devin Henderson, Timothy Henderson III, Anthony Henderson, Ezra Jream Lopez, and T’naya Henderson; sisters, Rhonda Moore, Alethia Coxen, Tara Arnold (Harold); sisters-in-law, Glenda Williams and Wanda Farria; brothers-in-law, Robert Williams, Jr., Larry Williams, Johnny Williams (Bertha), Bill Hall, and William Cotton, Jr.; aunt, Elaine Warrick Steward; Godchildren, Claude Steward, Jr. and Triscelyn Landor McDonald; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends.

Art’s life was a testament to love, faith, loyalty, and perseverance. Though he will be deeply missed, his light continues through the countless lives he touched. May he rest in eternal peace.