

A portrait of a smiling man with a mustache, wearing a light-colored suit jacket, a white shirt, and a dark tie. He is positioned on the right side of the image against a blue background with white stars.

A Celebration of Life

OCTOBER 28, 1932
Sunrise



JULY 13, 2024
Sunset

Earnest "Howard" Torry

Saturday, July 20, 2024 at 11am
Pastor Lonzo McClure, Sr. Officiating

Greater White Oak M.B. Church
5142 MS Hwy-18
Utica, MS 39175



*"The Righteous perisheth, and no man layeth it to heart;
and mericiful men are taken away; none considering that
the righteous is taken away from the evil*

Isaiah 57:1-2 KJV

Ernest "Howard" Torry

OBITUARY

Ernest Howard Torry was born on October 28th, 1932 in Utica, Mississippi to the late Ernest Powell Torry and Cloteal Stewart Torry. He was the youngest of six children.

Ernest Howard Torry early years consisted of him working on the Torry family farm. Also, he worked for the Town of Utica as a Plumber for more than 20 years.

Ernest Howard Torry mentored the youth children of White Oak Church of Christ, Holiness, USA, in Utica, Mississippi, where he attended until his health failed.

Ernest Howard Torry was married to his beautiful wife, Cora Terrell Torry on March 9th, 1977, and to this union of Mr. Howard and Cora Torry were two children.

Ernest Howard Torry departed this earthly life on Saturday, July 13th, 2024. He leaves to cherish his loving memory; his wife, children, grandchildren, sister, special niece & nephews, close family members, and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and four siblings.

The Old Account was Settled Long Ago...

SONG

*1 There was a time, I know,
When in the book of heaven,
An old account was standing
For sins yet unforgiven;
My name was at the top
And many things below,
I went unto the Keeper,
And settled long ago.*

Refrain:

Long ago, long ago,

*Yes, the old account was settled long ago;
And the record's clear today,
For He washed my sins away,
When the old account was settled long ago.*

*2 The old account was large,
And growing every day,
For I was always sinning,
And never tried to pay;
But when I looked ahead
And saw such pain and woe,
I said that I would settle,
And settled long ago.*

[Refrain]

*3 When at the judgment bar
I stand before my King,
And He the book will open,
He cannot find a thing;
Then will my heart be glad,
While tears of joy will flow,
Because I had it settled,
And settled long ago.*

[Refrain]

*4 O sinner, seek the Lord,
Repent of all your sin;
For thus He has commanded,
If you would enter in;
And then if you should live
A hundred years below,
E'en here you'll not regret it,
You settled long ago.*

[Refrain]

Order of Service

Mistress of Ceremonies - Sister Cloteal Newsome

Prelude

Musician

Processional

Ministers & Family

Selection

St. John Missionary Baptist Church

Prayer

Minister Jesse Terrell IV

Scripture Readings (Old/New Testament) *Minister Jesse Terrell IV*

Selection

Sister Mamie Terrell

Words of Encouragement

Brother Ron Jones

Selection

St. John Missionary Baptist Church

Expressions

Two Minutes

Obituary

(Read Silently)

Soft Music

SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO UNCLE HOWARD

Dedicate by "Them Girls" (My Brother ONLY Kids)

Selection

Brother Jonas Nelson

Acknowledgment

Sister Cloteal Newsome

Selection

St. John Missionary Baptist Church

Euglogy

Pastor Lonzo McClure Sr.

Funeral Directors of West Haven Memorial Funeral Home In Charge

Recessional



My Life with You

Honey,

Out of all the special gifts in life, big or small, to have you as my husband was the greatest gift of all. If tears could build a stairway and memories a lane, I would walk right up to Heaven and bring you back again. My heart still aches with sadness, and my secret tears still flow. What it meant to love you. No one can ever know. I am hurt, sad and heartbroken but I know that being absent from me is being presence with the Lord. So, I will continue to live right so I can get my wings and be with you again as your heartstring. Til Death Do Us Part...

Your Soulmate, Your Darling,
CORA

Tributes in Memory of You

Dear Paw Paw,

Today is hard. Saying goodbye to you feels like losing a part of myself. You weren't just my grandpa; you were my hero. Your hugs made me feel safe and you always made me strive to do my best.

Remembering our times together brings tears & smiles. Your jokes that never failed to make me laugh, your strong hands that held mine when I was scared - those are the memories I'll hold on to forever.

I miss you more than words can say. But I know you'll always be with me, In every lesson you taught and every love-filled moment we shared. Rest easy, paw-paw. I'll carry you in my heart always.

With all my love,

Jada

Papa,

I will miss you! But i will only say my earthly goodbye because I know one day we will meet again in heaven. You and your little Angel back together again! Papa you were the most incredible, hard working man I've ever known. Yes I am grieving the loss of you, but I know you are no longer in pain hurting Papa. I Love You Very Much!

Love,

Trin

My Paw Paw

*A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands at rest,
It broke our hearts to see you go,
God only takes the best.*

*They say that memories are golden,
Well maybe that is true,
But we never wanted memories,
We only wanted you.*

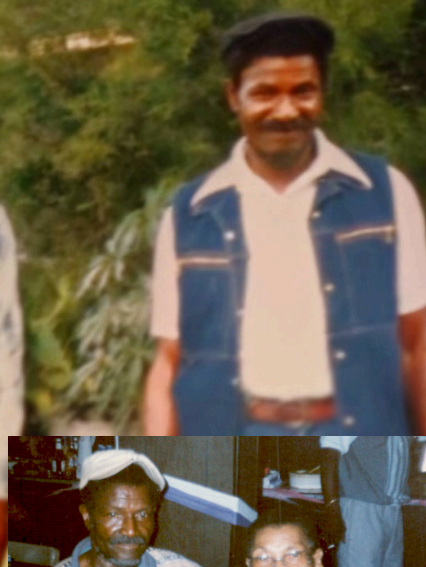
*Your life was Love and Labour,
Your love for you family true,
You did your best for all of us,
W will always remember you.*

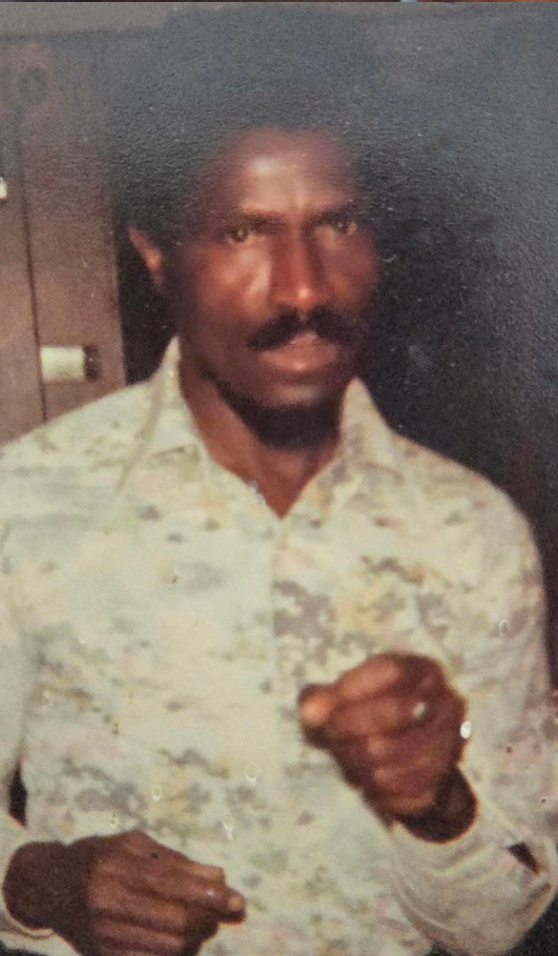
*We sat beside your bedside,
Our hearts were crushed and sore,
We did our duty to the end,
'Til we could do no more.*

*In tears we watched you sinking,
We watched you fade away
And though our hearts were breaking,
We knew you could not stay.*

*Our lips cannot speak how we loved you,
Our hearts cannot tell what to say,
But God only knows how we miss you,
In our home that is lonely today.*

Phillip





Active Pallbearers:

James Odoms

Steven Willis

Chris "Bushi" Whitaker Jr.

Xavier Redmond II

Chris Broome

Phillip Ellis II

Honorary Pallbearers:

Glenn Broome

Mack Shears Sr.

Don Taylor Sr.

Danny Thomas

Gerald Torry

Joe Johnson

Flower bearers:

Neices & Friends

Committal Interment:

Brick Iron Cemetery

Utica, Mississippi

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With Love,
The Torry Family