# CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

# MR. ROBERT CHARLES FINCH

COLUMN AND

Friday, August 2, 2024 1:00 PM Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church 1931 Old West Broad St. Athens, Georgia, 30606

Rev. Abraham Mosley, Pastor, Officiating Bishop Calvin Turner, Eulogist



Robert Charles Finch was born July 11th, 1942, in Athens-Clarke County to the late Johnny Burgess and Mary Sanders Finch. He began his eternal rest July 28th, 2024, after a brief illness.

Robert was preceded in death by six brothers: Jack Finch, Clarence Finch, Jesse "Bro" Finch, Deacon Alfred "Buddy" Burgess, Sr., Randolph Burgess, and Willie Ed Burgess. Four sisters preceded him in death: Agnes Walter, Susie Mae Walter, Beatrice Walter, and Emily Burgess.

Educated in Clarke County Schools, Robert went on to serve in the United States Army and fought in the Vietnam War. He was certified as a sharpshooter. After active duty, he continued his service in the Army National Guard Reserve until his retirement from the armed services in 1993, having served his country 32 years in active or reserve duty.

Robert had many talents and skills. He retired from Westinghouse (ABB) after 32 years of continued service. Even in retirement, he busied himself by remodeling houses, building porches or doing anything that involved carpentry, plumbing, or barbering. He had a passion for working with his mind and hands, refurbishing antique furniture to its original glory. He even tried his hand at limited–very limited–gardening. He loved to tend to his tomato garden.

Robert leaves to cherish his memories a loving and devoted wife of 57 years, Alfreada Mattox Finch; one son, Rev. Dr. Robert Dean Finch; one daughter, Robin Deneen Finch-Brinkley (Will); one granddaughter, Kasey Brinkley (Rashad); one grandson, Xavier Brinkley; one great granddaughter, Raelyn Simmons; one great grandson, Rashad Simmons, Jr.; four sisters, Odessa Howard of Springfield, MA, Lucy Harden of Hartford, CT, Henrietta Finch Jackson (William "Billy") of Athens, GA and Annie Lois Finch-Johnson of Chicago, IL; one sister-in-law, Magnolia Smith; one God daughter, Min. Tashsa Browner; one God granddaughter, Torrihanna Browner; a host of nieces, great nieces, nephews, great nephews, cousins, and friends.



#### Rev. Abraham Mosley, Presiding

Musical Prelude	
Processional	
Selection	
Scripture	
Old Testament	Min. Iris Cannon-Chandler Great Niece
New Testament	
	Pastor, Thankful Baptist Church
Praver	
	Nephew, Pastor, Friendship Baptist Church, Lexington, Ga
Selection	
Words of Comfort	
	Nephew, Springfield, MA
Remarks	itesAnita Shakir
	Niece Mr. J.T. Jones
	Friend and Neighbor for over 50 years
	Deacon George Gresham
	Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Stephens, GA
	Deacon Rick Dalton
	Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Stephens, GA
Resolution	Mother Mary-Prince Ollie
	Billups Grove Baptist Church, Athens, GA
Selection	
Eulogy	Bishop Calvin Turner
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Acknowledgements	Mrs. Shanna Jackson Sheats
6	Niece, Jackson-McWhorter Funeral Home

Recessional









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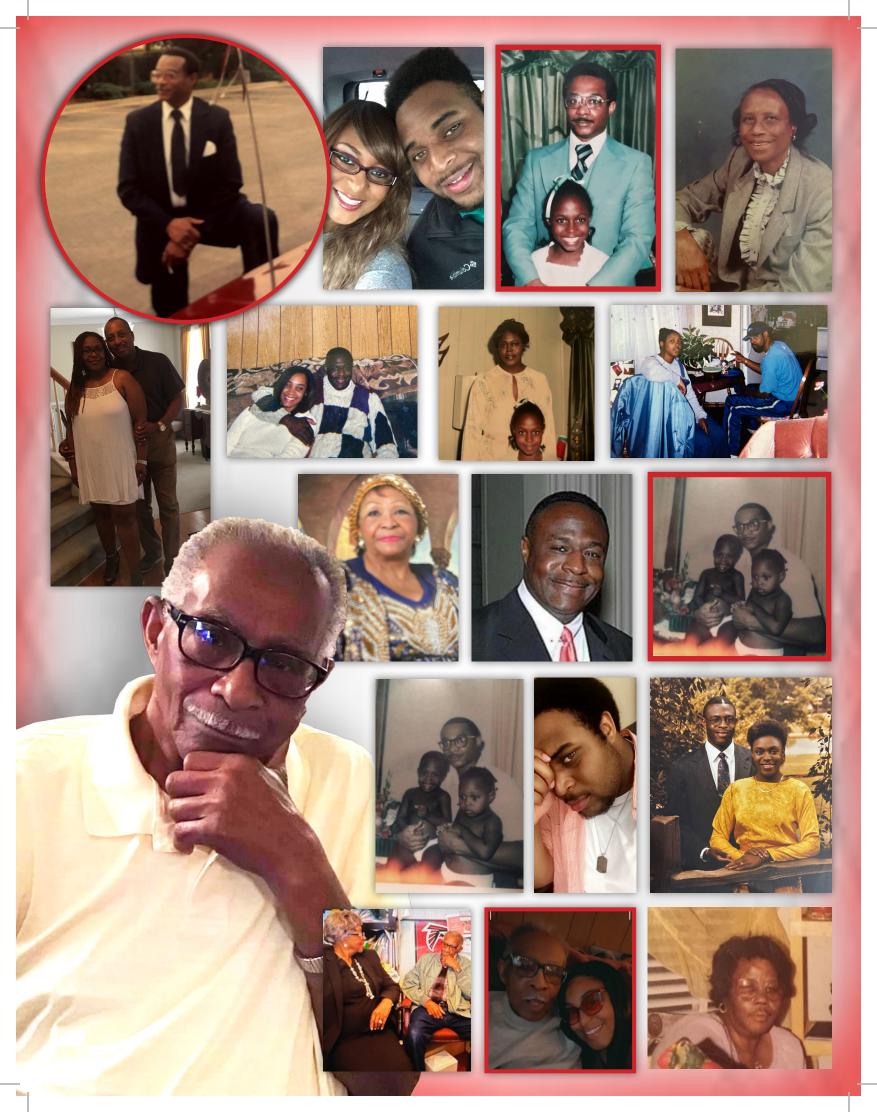


Mary Sanders Grand Children: Robert and Robin







































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## Psalm 23 A Psalm of David.

The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Dear Uncle Robert:

May your soul rest in peace, dear uncle. Your presence will forever be felt in our hearts; and we will keep your memory alive through the love you shared with us. Thank you for all the joy and wisdom you shared with us.

Fredrick (toon), Lisa, Neese, Patrick, and Tricia (the Smith's)

Pall Bearers Nephews

**Flower Ladies** Nieces

## Honorary Pallbearers & Honorary Flower Ladies Class of 1961

#### Interment

Athens Memory Garden 5195 Lexington Rd Athens, GA

#### Repast

Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

# Acknowledgements

The family of Robert Charles Finch offer these words of thanks to all who demonstrated genuine acts of kindness, compassion and love during this most difficult time in our lives. We are truly grateful to all for being so generous and attentive; you have certainly lightened the burden and given us hope. For the love you have shown, we pray that God will reward you in proper measure.

We offer a special thanks to Dr. Catherine Marti, Piedmont Heart Clinic, Dr. Alvin T. Wilson, personal care physician, and Dr. Ben Butler, Athens Pulmonary. Each of you provided spectacular care and enhanced the quality of life for our dad and husband. We are grateful.

Alfreada, Robert Dean and Robin Deneen

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