

Flower Bearers - Elizabeth Chapter #3  
Honorary Flower Bearers - Nieces, Family, and Friends

Pall Bearers, Clover Hill Lodge #10  
Honorary Pallbearers - Family and Friends



### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family of Mr. Forest Edward Vinson would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude for the many acts of love, kindness, and support shown to us during this difficult time.

A special thank you to Revonda Vinson.

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*Celebrating*  
the Life of

# Forest Edward Vinson

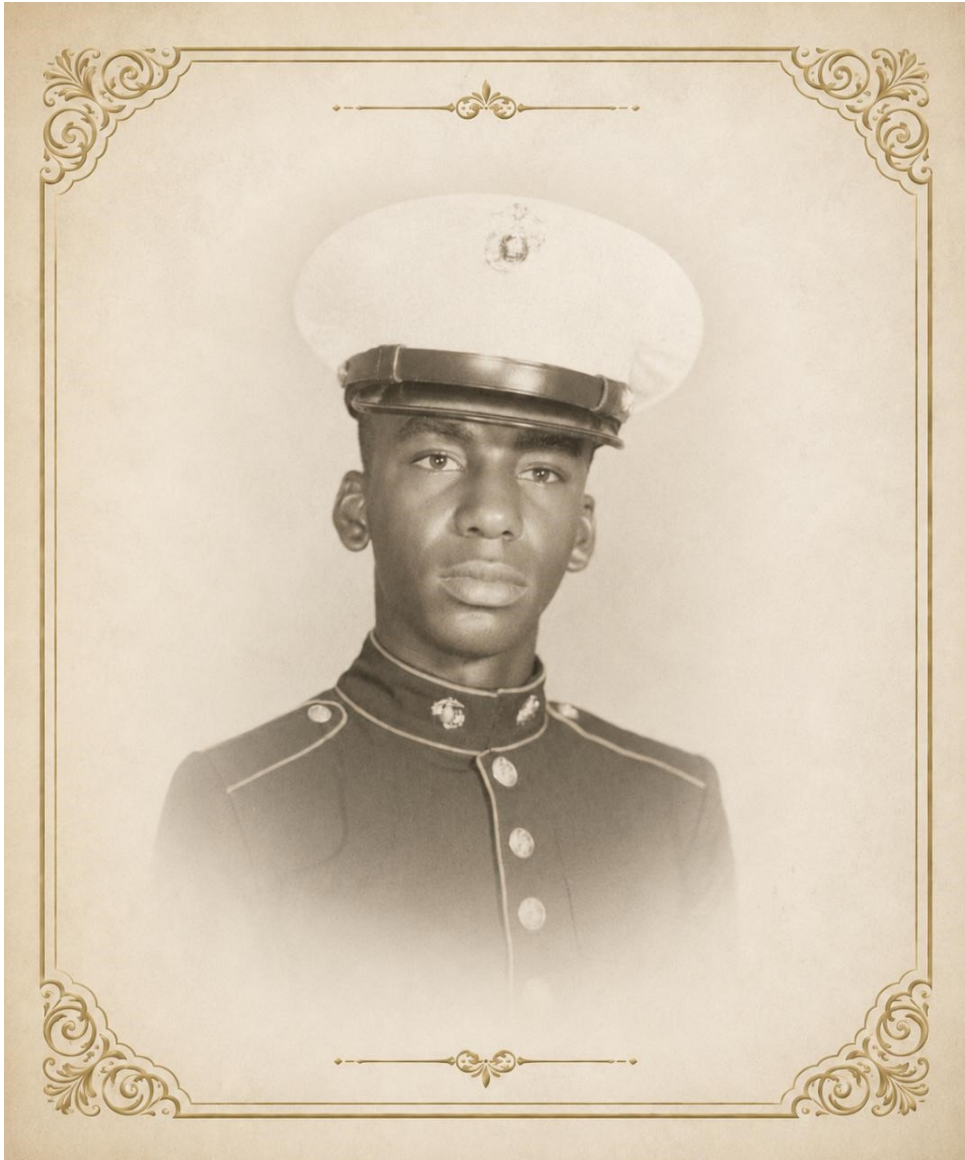
*"Vince"*

November 17, 1949 - May 9, 2026

**Monday, May 18, 2026**  
at 2:00 PM

**HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
312 East Stagecoach Trail  
Lawndale, North Carolina

*Rev. Skip Allen, Pastor*  
*Rev. Johnny Searight, Officiating*



# “The Title”

SEMPER FIDELIS

IT CANNOT BE INHERITED;  
NOR CAN IT EVER BE PURCHASED.

YOU OR NO ONE ALIVE CAN BUY IT AT ANY PRICE.

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO RENT  
AND IT CANNOT BE LENT.

YOU ALONE AND YOUR OWN  
HAVE EARNED IT  
WITH YOUR BLOOD, SWEAT, AND TEARS.

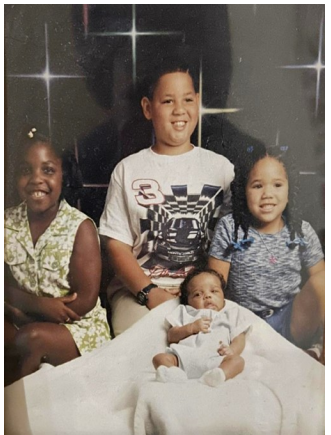
YOU OWN IT FOREVER;  
THE TITLE  
“UNITED STATES MARINE.”



GEORGE L. SCOTT, JR.



# MEMORIES



# MOMENTS OF SHARING

- Prelude
- Processional
- Receiving of Friends ..... 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM
- Masonic Rites Service..... 2:00 PM - 2:15 PM

## ORDER OF SERVICE

Officiating Minister, Rev. Johnny Searight

Selection ..... "What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

Affirmation of Faith (*congregation standing*)

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead, he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.*

Prayer of Comfort.....Rev. William Scott

Scripture Reading

Old Testament.....Rev. Veldon Meredith

New Testament.....Rev. Veldon Meredith

Selection .....Mr. Ryan Gingles

Remarks (Two Minutes).....Ms. Mary Merritt  
Rev. John Nix

Acknowledgements

Reading of Obituary.....Silently

Selection .....Ms. Angeline Byrd

Words of Comfort.....Rev. Johnny Searight

Recessional Selection....."I'll Fly Away"

## INTERMENT

Jones Tabernacle CME Church Cemetery  
Lawndale, North Carolina

## HIS JOURNEY

Mr. Forest Edward Vinson, 76, of Cherryville, NC, passed away on May 9, 2026 at Atrium Health Cleveland. He was born in Cleveland County on November 17, 1949 to the late Leroy Vinson, Sr. and Alvesta Clements Vinson.

Forest was a 1967 graduate of Douglas High School and attended Cleveland Community College. He was a bus driver during high school and participated in many speaking contests. He loved people, driving, and talking. He served as a motor pool driver in the Marines during the Vietnam War. He was always committed and faithful to his calling—church, country, family, and business.

Mr. Vinson was affectionately known as 'Vince' all over the country. He was a self employed entrepreneur for Vince Charter Services for more than thirty years. He worked for Yellow Freight Trucking for twelve years. He loved driving the bus and traveling around the country.

Vince was a good Christian family man- devoted husband, loving father, provider, and business man. He spent time with his family teaching them to aim for more and become successful and fulfill God's potential and purpose. As a family man, he loved laughing and telling jokes. He always found time to take family vacations and cook for his family. He loved to grill, cook some goat, make oyster stew, pintos, and a good Boston butt.

He was a member of Jones Tabernacle CME Church for many years, serving as Chairman of Trustees, Chair of Ministry to Men, Steward Board and singing in the choir. He was referred to as "Uncle Forest" by many of the members because of his warm, gentle, and kind spirit. They gravitated to him because he believed in talking to people, especially the young people, and not judging them. Vince was very concerned for others and would help you out if he could. He believed in family love, including his church family, and serving the Lord.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his daughter, Renee Vinson Lail and his brother, Leroy Vinson, Jr.

His precious memories are left to his wife of 55 years, Mary Rebecca Vinson of the home; daughter, Terry Whitworth (Larry) of Cherryville, NC; brothers, William Vinson, Sr. (Marie) of Shelby, NC and Dale Vinson of Panama City, FL; sisters, Wenda Vinson and Brenda Nix (Rev. John Nix) both of Charlotte, NC; five grandchildren; four great grandchildren; special friend, Keith Perkins of Kings Mountain, NC; and a host of other family, relatives, and friends.

## LOVING MEMORIES

