



## HE ONLY TAKES THE BEST

God saw you getting tired,  
And a cure was not to be;  
So, he put His arms around you,  
And whispered, "Come to Me."  
With tearful eyes we watched you and saw you pass away.  
Although we loved you dearly,  
We could not make you stay.  
A golden heart stopped beating.  
Hard working hands to rest.  
God broke our hearts to prove to us,  
He only takes the best.



### PALLBEARERS

JaJuan Lee  
Jeffrey Francis  
Julian Francis  
Joshua Francis  
Phillip Jordan  
Andrew Rose

### FLOWER ATTENDANTS

Family and Friends

### INTERMENT

Edgewood Cemetery  
4519 N Edgewood Drive  
Jacksonville, Florida 32219

### REPAST

Union Progressive Missionary Baptist Church  
613 Pippin St  
Jacksonville, FL 32206

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We sincerely appreciate all that you have done. Our sorrow at the loss of our father, brother and grandfather is somewhat easier to bear because of your kindness. Thank you all for sharing in the celebration of Theo "Bobby" Collier's life.

Our entire family appreciates the support.

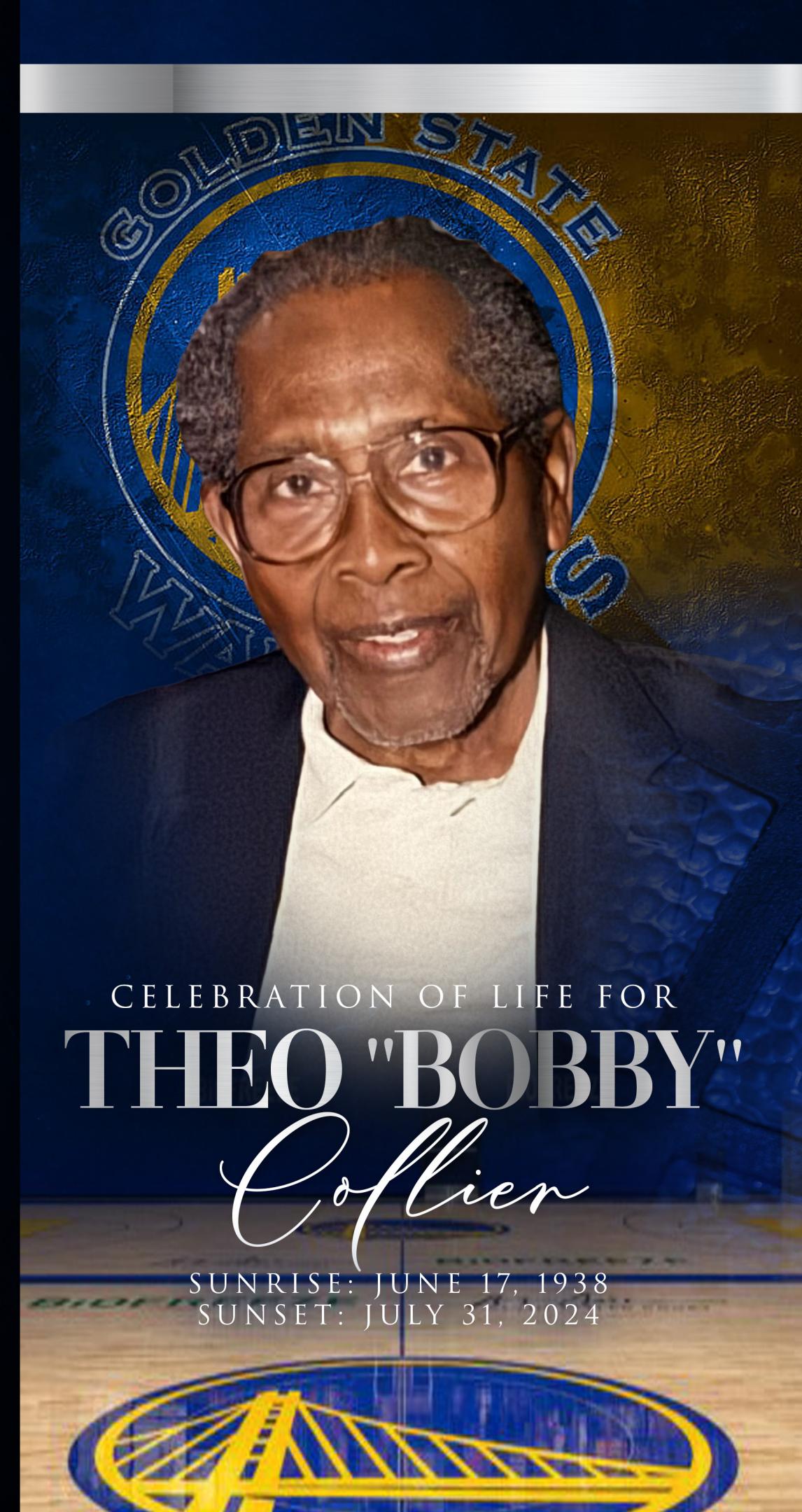
*The Family of Theo "Bobby" Collier*

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# THEO "BOBBY" *Collier*



Theo Collier, affectionately known as "Bobby", passed away on July 31, 2024. He was born in Arlington, Georgia to Harvey Collier and Lillie Johnson Collier on June 17, 1938. He graduated from Kessler High School in Damascus, Georgia, Class of 1956.

Over fifty years ago, Theo married the love of his life, Gwendolyn Shelton Collier. He was an excellent provider who worked tirelessly to provide for his family and enjoyed doing so. He retired from two careers, after working twenty-three years with CSX Transportation and seventeen years with the Florida Yacht Club. He was a member of Piney Grove Missionary Baptist Church in Arlington, Georgia and faithfully attended Union Progressive Missionary Baptist Church.

Theo loved spending time with his family, especially his grandsons. He enjoyed working in his yard, telling jokes and watching sports. His favorite sports included golf, football and basketball, with the Golden State Warriors being his favorite NBA team. He was funny, smart, debonair and an overall cool dude. He always carried Double Bubble gum and candy in his pocket to share.

Theo was preceded in death by his wife: Gwendolyn Collier; mother: Lillie J. Collier; father: Harvey Collier; brother: William Collier; sister: Catherine Holmes and mother-in-law: Fannie Mae Shelton.

Left to cherish his memory is his only daughter: Teresita Francis (Jeff); siblings: Harvey M. Collier (Leila), James Collier (Beulah) and Lillie Wellington (Thomas); grandchildren: JaJuan, Jailyn (Kavon), Jeffrey, Julian and Joshua; goddaughter: Sabina Rose and a host of other relatives and friends.



## ORDER OF SERVICE

Saturday, August 10, 2024 11AM

Union Progressive Missionary Baptist Church

613 Pippin Street | Jacksonville, Florida 32206

Pastor Jeffrey K. Francis, Officiating

Rev. Dr. Kendall Anderson, Presiding  
*Christian Fellowship Baptist Church*

Processional/Viewing

Scriptures:  
Old Testament

New Testament

Invocation

Selection

Reflections: (As a courtesy to the family, please remember the two-minute rule)

Acknowledgements and Resolutions

Solo

Eulogy

Recessional

Pastor Ambrose Merkinson  
*New Colossians Baptist Church*

Pastor Emeritus Corinthian Morgan  
*Union Progressive Missionary Baptist Church*

Rev. Dr. Kendall Anderson

Pastor Erich Jackson

Rosalind Williams

Ty Murray

Pastor Jeffrey K. Francis