

HIS LIFE, HIS LEGACY

The Story of a Life Well Lived



DR. CHARVIS
"RUNT" BARTELLE
Buckholts

November 28, 1988 – June 6, 2026

Saturday, June 20, 2026 | 11:00 A.M.
DOOLY COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM
715 3rd Street, Vienna, Georgia, 31092

Dr. Beverly M. Bolden, Eulogist
Dr. Christopher S. West, Officiant

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FAITH AND FAMILY
Devoted Son, Brother, Nephew, Uncle, and Cousin

We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.
2 Corinthians 5:8

With hearts full of gratitude for a life that left a lasting impression on so many, we reflect on the early years of Dr. Charvis Bartelle "Runt" Buckholts, whose journey on Earth began on November 28, 1988, in Perry, Georgia, as the beloved son of Theresa Outlaw Buckholts and Charlie B. Buckholts, Sr. . He is preceded in death by his grandparents, Roosevelt (Elnora) Buckholts, Sr. and Freddie B. (Earner) Outlaw.

Faith and fellowship remained meaningful and sustaining pillars throughout Charvis's life. He professed his faith in Christ at an early age and remained steadfast in his spiritual walk throughout his life. He was a devoted member of Church of Life in Atlanta, Georgia, where he faithfully served as the Director of Youth and Young Adults for two years, encouraging spiritual growth, fostering community, and positively influencing the lives of those entrusted to his care.

At the center of Charvis's life was an unwavering love for family and a deep appreciation for the relationships that shaped and sustained him. He understood that family extended beyond shared names; it was expressed through presence, encouragement, loyalty, and the countless ways he showed up for those he loved.

In addition to his parents, Charvis leaves to cherish and honor his memory, his beloved brothers, Corey Buckholts (Sheila), Decatur, Georgia, Rodrekus Buckholts (Michelle), Vienna, Georgia, Charlie B. Buckholts, Jr. (Chimere), Jackson, Georgia, Chartavious Thomas, Unadilla, Georgia, Gregory Pruitt (Kendrell), Vienna, Georgia, Stacey Manning (Suzie), Decatur, Georgia, Owen Malone (Sharon), Atlanta, Georgia, and Eric Bryant, Drayton, Georgia; his loving sister, Vera Lisa Thomas, Unadilla, Georgia; aunts, Shellie Goolsby and Kimberly Taylor, Pinehurst, Georgia, Priscilla Bunley (Darryl), Perry, Georgia, Ellen Jean Towns, Forest Park, Georgia, Margie Nell Buckholts, Jonesboro, Georgia, and Debra Ann McIntosh, Virginia Beach, Virginia; uncles, Roosevelt Buckholts (Brenda), Elko, Georgia, and Timothy Buckholts (Dorothy), Albany, Georgia; great aunts, Ida Ruth Baker, Orlando, Florida, Mary Buckles, Mildred Efford, Dellia Roundtree, all of Warner Robins, Georgia, Rosa Rice, Henderson, Georgia, and Bernice Williams, of California; great uncles, Leon Buckles, Unadilla, Georgia; godmother, Bernice Butler Crapp, Cordele, Georgia; goddaughter, Kai Butler, Forest Park, Georgia; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and many sorrowing friends to include, Amber Clifton, Forest Park, Georgia; and Dr. Dantavious Hicks, Chicago, Illinois.

EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Charvis pursued opportunities that reflected both his intellectual interests and his commitment to helping others. His educational journey included studies in child development, sociology of education, and the humanities—areas that reflected his passion for understanding people, nurturing potential, and creating spaces where others could thrive.

Charvis received his foundational education in Atlanta Public Schools and was a 2007 Honor Graduate of South Atlanta High School where he graduated in the top 10% of his class. During his high school years, Charvis distinguished himself as a student leader and engaged scholar. He proudly served as Senior Class President and was an active member of several academic and leadership organizations, including the National Honor Society, BETA Club, Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), Jobs for Georgia Graduates, and Project Grad. Through these experiences, he cultivated the leadership, service, and academic excellence that would continue to define his life and future endeavors.

Following graduation from high school, Charvis embarked on his journey of higher education at Savannah State University in Savannah, Georgia, before continuing his academic pursuits at Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Child Development.

Committed to lifelong learning and driven by a passion for understanding people and society, Charvis furthered his education at New York University in New York City, earning a Master of Arts (M.A.) in Sociology of Education with a concentration in Cultural and Social Studies.

Driven by a lifelong passion for knowledge and self-improvement, Charvis remained devoted to expanding both his academic and personal horizons. At the time of his transition, he was continuing his scholarly journey as a doctoral student at Clark Atlanta University in Atlanta, Georgia, exemplifying his steadfast dedication to education and the pursuit of excellence. His dedication, perseverance, and scholarly commitment remained evident throughout his studies. In honor of his perseverance, academic achievement, and commitment to lifelong learning, his Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Humanities has been conferred posthumously, standing as a lasting symbol of his determination, pursuit of excellence, and the remarkable legacy that continues to inspire others.



AN ENDURING LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE AND SERVICE

EDUCATOR • LEADER • MENTOR • VISIONARY

Charvis's professional journey reflected a lifelong dedication to education, mentorship, and service. His work was not simply a career, but a calling rooted in the belief that education has the power to transform lives, uplift communities, and create lasting change for future generations.

He began building his impact through service within school systems and educational organizations, consistently bringing passion, creativity, and purpose to every role he held. His early professional experiences included teaching at KIPP New Jersey and Heritage Academy in Atlanta Public Schools, where he helped foster engaging learning environments that supported student growth and achievement. Charvis expanded his service within Atlanta Public Schools as a Test Intervention Tutor, providing targeted academic support to help students strengthen skills and reach their academic goals. In addition, he also served as a Teach for America Summer Faculty Advisor, investing in the development and preparation of emerging educators.

Charvis further extended his impact through community-based education with the City of Atlanta Department of Parks and Recreation, where he served as a Curriculum Developer and Enrichment Teacher for the Camp Best Friend Summer and After-School Program. In this role, he designed and implemented meaningful learning experiences that combined academics, enrichment, and youth development in engaging and accessible ways.

His professional journey also included international service with Aldar Academies in Abu Dhabi, where he contributed to global education initiatives and broadened his impact across diverse learning communities.

Most recently, Charvis served as the Director of Education and Youth Programs with the Historic Oakland Foundation, where he led impactful programming centered on historical education, youth engagement, and community enrichment. He also served as an adjunct professor at Gwinnett Technical College, where he continued his lifelong commitment to teaching, inspiring, and equipping the next generation of learners and leaders.

Beyond traditional educational institutions, Charvis remained deeply committed to expanding access and opportunity through innovation and leadership. As the Founder and Executive Director of Boys N Da Good, he dedicated himself to mentoring and empowering young people, creating pathways for personal growth, leadership development, and positive transformation. Through TeacherTalker LLC, he also served as an Educational Consultant, supporting educators and organizations through professional development, instructional coaching, and educational advocacy.

Across every role, setting, and community he served, Charvis exemplified excellence, compassion, and unwavering dedication. His legacy endures in the students he taught, the educators he supported, the programs he built, and the lives he profoundly touched.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

MUSICAL PRELUDE.....Minister Crandall Lewis

PROCESSIONALClergy, Family & Friends

PRAYER OF COMFORT.....Dr. Christopher S. West, *Pastor*
Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church
Warner Robins, Georgia

MUSICAL SELECTION.....Ms. Deondria West

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Pastor Tonya Cooper, *Associate Pastor*
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EULOGY.....Dr. Beverly M. Bolden, *Pastor*
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Pinehurst, Georgia

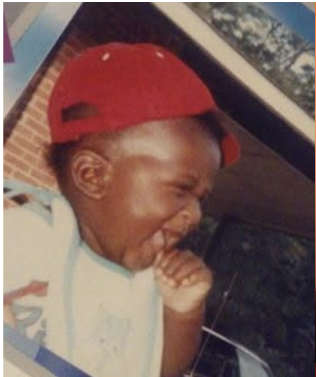
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Minister Alvita Coes-Lewis & Coes Funeral Home Staff

RECESSIONAL

MUSICAL POSTLUDE.....Minister Crandall Lewis

THE COMMITTAL SERVICE
Pleasant Valley Baptist Church Cemetery
1129 Peaceful Road
Pinehurst, Georgia 31070





FLOWER ATTENDANTS

Friends of the Family

PALLBEARERS

Friends of the Family

REPAST

Pleasant Valley Baptist Church Annex

WORDS OF GRATITUDE

The family of Dr. Charvis Bartelle "Runt" Buckholts extends heartfelt gratitude and sincere appreciation to each of you for the countless expressions of love, prayers, encouragement, visits, calls, messages, flowers, and acts of kindness shown during this time of remembrance.

Your support has provided comfort, strength, and peace as we honor and celebrate a life that touched so many. We are deeply grateful for every gesture of compassion and for standing with us as we reflect on Charvis's extraordinary life, enduring faith, and lasting legacy.

Though our hearts carry the weight of loss, we find comfort in the memories shared, the lives impacted, and the love that continues to surround our family.

May God richly bless each of you for your kindness, thoughtfulness, and continued prayers.

With Love and Gratitude,
The Family

Escort Courtesy of Dooly County Sheriff's Department
Sheriff Craig Peavy

"Your life was a blessing, your memory a treasure, and your love remains with us forever."



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