



IN LOVING MEMORY
— Of —
Mr. Kenneth
Carter
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Thursday, September 3, 2026
1:00 P.M.

George E. Trice, Jr. Memorial Chapel
639 Old Talbotton Road
Thomaston, GA

Pastor Jimmy Lyons, Eulogist

Jesus said ... "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?" -John 11:25-26

A Life Well Lived

Mr. Kenneth Carter was born on August 11, 1950, in Thomaston, Upson County, Georgia, to the late Mrs. Leila Walton Carter and the late Mr. John Albert Carter.

Kenneth learned the value of hard work early in life while working in his family's business, The Blue Dot Cafe. He attended the public schools of Upson County and graduated from Drake High School with the Class of 1969.

Following high school, Kenneth enlisted in the United States Navy on July 16, 1969, and was honorably discharged on April 17, 1970. Kenneth confessed his need for a Savior and joined New Lincoln Park A.M.E. Church.

After returning home, Kenneth continued working at the family business. He later gained employment at Thomaston Mills before discovering the work he truly enjoyed, concrete finishing. Over the years, Kenneth poured and finished concrete throughout Thomaston, Upson County, and the surrounding areas. His skill and dedication to his craft earned him recognition as Black Contractor of the Year on May 6, 2000.

Kenneth was also deeply involved in his community. He was a member of the Emancipation Committee of Upson County and faithfully served as its President for many years. He also served as a member of the Trustee Board for the Lincoln Park Playground. In February 2009, he was recognized for his service during the Thomaston Trio Black History Program. In May 2024, he received the William Guildford Award from the Emancipation Committee of Upson County in recognition of his dedicated service.

During his leisure time, Kenneth enjoyed talking with his friends and taking walks around the lake. He was a man who believed in learning from life's experiences and doing better as you learned better. One of his favorite sayings was, "When you know better, you'll do better." Those simple words reflected the wisdom he shared with those around him.

Kenneth was preceded in death by his parents and six siblings, Lillie Mae Chatman, Annie Ruth Rakestraw, Willie James Jones, Alma Jean Cokley, Jo Ann Blackman, and Lyne Perry Carter.

On Thursday, August 27, 2026, the Lord called his name. He answered the call and went home to rest. His life of hard work, service, and dedication to his community will be remembered by all who knew and loved him.

He leaves to cherish his memory his soulmate, Ms. Jo Evelyn Quiller of Thomaston, GA; two children, Tonia (Dexter) Greenway of Stockbridge, GA, and Mr. Brenton Carter of Thomaston, GA; eight grandchildren, Ariel Greenway, Antonia Greenway, Brittany Carter, Bria Carter, Kiashawna Carter, Brentavton Carter, Bretasia Carter, and Aiden Carter; two sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Bragg of Hartford, CT and Mrs. Maryette (James "Mac") Johnson of Thomaston, GA; two devoted friends, Mr. George Carriker of Thomaston, GA and Mr. Edward Starling of Ellenwood, GA; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives, and friends who will forever cherish his memory.

*Sometimes I wish you would come back
but I don't want you to suffer again
I know you're with me and I'll love and miss you forever.*
Jo Evelyn





Order of Service

PROCESSIONAL Clergy, Family and Friends

MILITARY HONORS

PRAYER Pastor Ralph Searcy
New Lincoln Park AME Church, Thomaston, GA

SCRIPTURES

Old and New Testament . . . Evangelist Sandra T. Trice

SONG Because He Lives

REMARKS Mr. George Carriker
Open (2 minutes please)

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EULOGY Pastor Jimmy Lyons
Friendship Baptist Church, Thomaston, GA
East Mt. Sinai Baptist Church, Barnesville, GA

CLOSING PRAYER Pastor Jimmy Lyons

BENEDICTION Pastor Jimmy Lyons



Acknowledgements

As we celebrate a life so deeply loved, we pause to thank each of you for walking beside us through this journey of loss. Your prayers, encouragement, and heartfelt expressions of sympathy have brought peace to our hearts and have been a source of strength during these difficult days. We are comforted by God's enduring presence and by the love He has shown through each of you. May His grace continue to surround and bless you as richly as you have blessed our family.

The Carter Family

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