

Celebrating the Life of
Floyd
Thomas Batts

Sunrise

February 24, 1952

Sunset

February 5, 2024



Saturday, February 17, 2024
Viewing 10:00AM Service: 11:00AM

THE PROVIDENCE CHURCH

403 E. 43rd St. / Houston, Texas 77022

Pastor Nathan Jenkins - Officiant

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.. Revelation 21:4

Life History of Floyd Thomas Batts

Floyd Thomas Batts was born on February 24, 1952 in Robertson County to Robert & Minyon Batts. He was the oldest of eight children and attended HISD schools from kindergarten to 12th grade and graduated in 1970 from Booker T. Washington High School. He attended church with his family at Providence Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor King C. Mason, Sr. There, he met and married Helen Smith in 1976 and to this union, three children were born; twin daughters: La'Tonya Sharee & LaTorsha Lynnette and son, Triston Bernard Thomas. They lived and raised their family in the Southwest part of Houston but remained faithful to The Providence Church, currently under the leadership of Pastor Nathan Jenkins. Floyd was faithful to several ministries until his health failed, including but not limited to Sunday School, Brotherhood, Deacon Board, Trustee Board, Finance Team, Choir and anywhere he was needed or asked to serve.

Floyd worked several jobs over his lifespan including Cameron and Red Cross where he retired in 2015. Floyd was quiet in nature but had a strong will. It didn't take much to tickle him because he was fun-loving and loved to laugh. He was humble and never had anything negative to say about anyone. Although his health was up and down, he never complained. He showed up with his walker and a determination to be present.

He loved his Mama's cooking and spent most Sundays eating dinner and visiting with her and the family after church. She always fixed his plate because she knew what he liked and when she could no longer do it, she was on-hand to give others instructions so it could be perfect. Floyd was loved by everybody because he was always kind. He enjoyed playing dominos with his relatives and friends and he loved taking cruises and spending time with his family.

Floyd was preceded in death by paternal grandparents: Robert & Lela Mae Batts; maternal grandparents: Floyd Drew & Thelma Johnson; dad: Rev. Robert Batts, Jr.; in-laws: Willie & Betty Goodson; brother: Kenneth Bernard Batts and godson: Joseph "Joey" Bivins, Jr.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his wife of 47 years, Helen Batts, two daughters: La'Tonya Sharee Batts, La'Torsha Lynnette Batts and a bonus daughter: Giselle Bobb; one son: Triston Bernard-Thomas Batts and a bonus son: Robert Garner; four bonus grandchildren: Peyton Hines, Madisynn Garner, Serenity Garner, and JaCorie Garner; two god-daughters: Alexandra James & Kynnidie Parks; one brother: Alfred Batts (Betty), five sisters: Sherry Batts, Lora Brown (Norris), Yolanda Sheppard (Earl), Lawanna Meade, and Lavonna Gardner; one brother-in-law: Allen Smith (Gladys); one godbrother: Torrance Earle (Amy); one godsister: Quintoria Jones; and many aunts, nieces, great-nieces, cousins and friends.





Tribute to My Husband

Floyd, reflecting back on 47 years, it has been quite a ride. Through many ups and downs, we weathered the storms of life together! It hasn't always been easy but we made it all the way to the end until God called your name and you went home to rest from your labor. Thank you for working hard and providing for our family to the best of your ability. You had your share of challenges but you persevered until your health failed and then it was our turn to take care of you. Life won't be the same without you....47 years is a long time! We've had some good times and enjoyed life together and now I must continue this journey of life without you but I'm not alone....I will have God with me every step of the way. I will also have memories of you etched in the corners of my mind so I can hear you laugh, see your smile, and remember your voice. I'll never forget you, Floyd. I'm going to miss you but go on and take your rest and I'll see you on the other side.



Love, Helen



Tribute to Our Dad



Dad, We'll always remember that special smile, that caring heart, that warm embrace, you always gave us. Thank you for being there for Mom and us, through good and bad times, no matter what. We'll always remember you, Dad because there will never be another one to replace you in our hearts, and the love we will always have for you.

*All Our Love,
La'Tonya, La'Torsha & Triston*







Order of Service



Prelude..... "Soft Music"

Processional..... Clergy and Family

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Rev. Leotis Jones

New Testament..... Pastor Artis Allen

Prayer of Comfort Pastor Billy Williams

Song of Praise Sis. Kora Williams

"Take Me To the King"

Resolutions & Acknowledgments..... Sis. Marie Hamilton

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Obituary Read Silently

Expressions Two Minutes Please

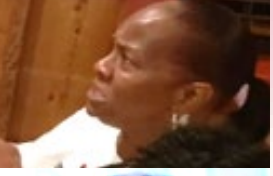
Song of Praise Rev. Stanley Williams

Eulogy..... Pastor Nathan Jenkins

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Recessional Clergy, Family and Friends

"Goin' Up Yonder"





Active Pallbearers

Roderick Smith
Kevin Keys
Torrance Earle
Roderick Batts

Donovon Gardner
Ed Mitchell
Alton Barry
Elbert Patterson



Honorary Pallbearers

Triston Batts
Norris Brown
Robert Garner
Darryl Goodson
Charles Johnson

Allen Smith

Alfred Batts
Earl Sheppard
Joseph Hamilton
Horace Batts
Artis Allen

Acknowledgements

To all our family and friends, we would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to each of you for your presence and prayers during the loss of our loved one, Floyd Thomas Batts.. Your phone calls, cards, flowers, monetary gifts and thoughtful deeds are very much appreciated. We ask that you keep us in your prayers as we continue on from this day. May God continue to bless you all! THE FAMILY

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