

TALMADGE HANCEL GAINEY



Brother Talmadge Hancel Gainey was born on October 20, 1929 in St. George, Georgia to the late Raliford Gainey and Thelma F. Thompson-Gainey. Brother Gainey answered the Master's call on Saturday, March 14, 2020 at UF Shands North. He joined the U.S. Army on February 27, 1951 and became a Military Police, Private E1 and received an Honorable Discharge on February 26, 1953. After being discharged he began working at Stone Container, Yulee Plant, on July 17, 1956 and retired on December 31, 1994.

Brother Gainey joined Greater Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church. Brother Gainey and Sister Willie Nell Upshaw were united in 1964 and were married on June 19, 2007 and to this union one daughter was born, Kaley Nicole "Nickie" Gainey.

He was preceded in death by his parents; siblings twin brothers, Robert Ashier and William F. Gainey; brother Jackie H. Gainey; and a sister DeMaurice Gainey Harvey.

He leaves to cherish his precious memories, his wife of 57 years, Willie Nell Upshaw Gainey; son Ron Greg (Rachel) Upshaw of Pompano Beach; daughter Nickie Gainey Hannan of Yulee; four grandchildren Brandon Upshaw, Destiny Hannan, Jobe Hannan and Caleb Hannan; sister Hilda Faye Gainey-Harvey of Macclenny; favorite niece Diana; and a host of nieces and nephews and friends.

Special thanks to VITAS Health Care, UF Shands North, Pastor Reginald Edwards, Sr. and the Greater Mt. Pleasant Church Family.

The family received friends prior to the home going service held March 21 at Greater Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church, Callahan.

Mr. Gainey was laid to rest Monday, March 23 at the Jacksonville National Cemetery, Lannie Road with full military honors.

Sarah L. Carter's Funeral Home Northside served the family.