

Celebrating the Life of
Charles J. Thompson, Sr.

Sunrise
January 17, 1947

Sunset
July 6, 2023



Obituary

Charles Joseph Thompson, Sr. affectionately known as “Chop” was born on January 17, 1947, in Hackensack, NJ. He was the son of the late Eleanor Thompson-Gray.

He relocated to Paterson, NJ in 1954 and there, he attended the Paterson Public School System.

Charles enlisted in the United States Air Force in 1965. After four years of service, he received an honorary discharge in 1969.

He was joined in holy matrimony to Jeanette Covington and from this union, three children were born.

Charles was previously employed by New Jersey Transit, and Jiggett's Transportation, later retiring from Para Transit. He was a member of the Neighborhood Baptist Church of Paterson, NJ, the Elks Lodge 333 of Paterson and the Albert Lawson V.F.W. of Passaic, NJ. He enjoyed bowling and would play in his leisure time.

On Thursday, July 6, 2023, Charles J. Thompson departed this life in Conway, SC.

He leaves precious memories to his wife; Jeanette Covington-Thompson, one daughter; Rita Denise Thompson of Maple Shade, NJ, three sons; Charles Thompson, Jr., Troy E. Thompson, and Darius C. Barbour all of Paterson, NJ, two daughters-in-law; Tomomi Thompson and Charlisa Barbour both of Paterson, NJ, two sisters; Lawana Thomas of Conway, SC and Roxanne Dotson of Paterson, NJ, two brothers, Donald Dolson, and Richard (Lavone) Gray, five grandchildren; Cyrus, Maya, DaQuan, Jalan and Rhyana all of Paterson, NJ; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Friday, July 21, 2023 - 12:00 Noon

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Rev. Arlie Shropshire, Officiating

Rev. D'Andra Johnson, Presiding

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading - Rev. Monroe Gilbert

Old Testament - Psalm 23

New Testament - St. John 14:1-6

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Reflections of Life

(Read Silently)

Selection

Words of Comfort

Rev. Arlie Shropshire

Neighborhood Baptist Church

Final Viewing

Recessional

Interment

Hackensack Cemetery

Hackensack, New Jersey

The Chains Have Been Broken

I heard the chains falling
I heard the Gods calling
He met me at the gate early that morning
He walked with me when I was crawling
until I started walking
He spoke to me when I couldn't speak until I started talking
He never let me fall when I started falling
It was the mid night hour and I heard Gods calling
The chains have been broken
You don' have to feel alone
Because God called me home
We will see each other some day
Somewhere not too far away
I'll be right in heaven singing songs of broken chains
The chains have been broken
And now my soul is free, and I no longer feel any pain.

Written by, Shannell G. Griggs

Acknowledgment

The family wishes to thank all of you for your prayers, messages of comfort and the many other acts of kindness shown during our hour of bereavement.

May God continue to bless you in a very special way.

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