



Mr. Thomas Slawson Sr.

August 16, 1935 - September 10, 2018

Thomas Slawson, Sr. was born and raised in Charleston, SC on August 16, 1935. He was the eldest son of Freddy and Wilhelmina Miller. He attended Charleston County Public Schools. And in 1951, he enlisted in the United States Armed Service.

While stationed at Fort Benning, GA, he met and married Bernice Brooks. Together they had seven children. Also during this time, he enrolled in college with the University of Maryland, University College. After honorably serving his country in the United States and overseas for more than 23 years, he retired from active duty in 1974 at Charleston Air Force Base, Charleston, SC.

This transition led him to another service oriented career as an educator with the Summerville School District where he effectively impacted the lives of countless students. His influence on the youth was not limited to his children and students. For many years, he coached little league football, basketball, and baseball.

Upon numerous years of public service, his transfer to a second retirement enabled him to help raise his grandchildren, spend more time with family and friends, and travel.

Although he gave his life to Christ at an early age, upon relocating to

Charleston, SC, he joined Eastside Missionary Baptist Church where he faithfully serviced on the Youth Committee and in the Senior and Male Choirs.

He was preceded in death by his parents (Freddy and Wilhelmina Miller), two sisters (Jennie Poinsett and Naomi Washington), and two brothers (Leon and Earl Miller). He leaves to cherish his memories his devoted wife Bernice (Bunny), four sons: (Thomas Slawson, Jr. (Karen), Summerville, SC; Mark A. Slawson, Hackensack, NJ; Michael E. Slawson (Susan), Philadelphia, PA; and Randall S. Slawson, Sr. (Alicia), Ladson, SC), three daughters: Brenessa T.S. David (Daryl), Mount Vernon, NY; René L.S. Boyd (Eric), Fairview Heights, IL; and Kim M.S. Hawkins (Michael), Florence, SC), a sister (Earthalee M. Brown, Charleston, SC), two brothers (Irvin Miller (Rosalind), Charleston, SC) and Larry Miller (Patricia), Brooklyn, NY), a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, nephews, nieces, and extended family (the Blands, Clausens, Malloys, Penns, and Robinsons).

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race,
I have kept the faith.

2 Timothy 4:7 (NIV)

The relatives and friends are invited to attend his funeral service on:
Saturday, September 22, 2018 at 1:00 PM
Eastside Baptist Church
584 Meeting Street
Charleston, SC 29403

Wake Services:
Friday, September 21, 2018 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM
Eastside Baptist Church
584 Meeting Street

Charleston, SC 29403

Interment:

Live Oak Memorial Gardens

Highway 61, Charleston, SC 29407

Cemetery Details

Live Oak Memorial Gardens

Highway 61
Charleston, SC 29407

Previous Events

Wake

SEP **21**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

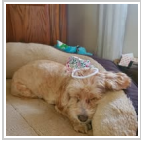
Eastside Baptist Church
584 Meeting St.
Charleston, SC 29403

Funeral

SEP **22**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ So sorry for the loss of a man who lived such a full life and contributed so much to so many, especially my dear friend, Tat Matthews. Peace to all who loved Mr. Thomas Slawson.

Love,
Deb (Bams) Holt

Deborah Holt - September 21, 2018 at 06:28 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mr. Thomas Slawson Sr..

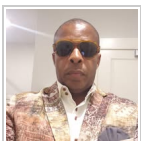


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“ Mr. Slawson was always my cheerleader. He motivated and encouraged me to be the best me. He will always be remembered in my heart. Thank you, Mr. Slawson!! Rest in Peace.

Marsha Sanders - September 18, 2018 at 09:48 PM



“ I've always believe in the village and he was always apart of my life ,my growing to become who I am my father figure ,my mentor thank you so much supported my business every week for a hair cut hold your heads high because all of did a great job with your dad luv u all

Anthony Rivers - September 18, 2018 at 08:22 PM

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*My condolences to the family.
Charmaine Mazyck*

Charmaine Mazyck - September 18, 2018 at 08:06 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for
the family of Mr. Thomas Slawson Sr..*



September 18, 2018 at 12:05 PM