

Order of Service

Shannon Thomas, Presiding

PROCESSIONAL

PRAYER

Minister Issac Williams

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 23

(Congregation Reading)

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CARDS
AND CONDOLENCES**

Shannon Thomas

OBITUARY

(Read Silently)

Shannon Thomas

"A Change Is Gonna Come" by Sam Cooke
(softly playing)

POEM

You Never Said Goodbye ~ Read by Dionni Thomas

SCRIPTURE

The Lord's Prayer ~ Matt 6:9-13

Kamiah Thomas

REMARKS

(Two minutes please)

EULOGY

Shannon Thomas

MUSICAL SELECTIONS

"Walk Around Heaven" by Patti LaBelle

"God Is" by James Cleveland

"One Sweet Day" by Boyz II Men

"I Can Only Imagine" by Tamela Mann

"Well Done" by Deitrick Haddon

RECESSIONAL

Flower Attendants

Family and Friends

Repast

(Immediately after service)

Charlie Joseph Senior Center

6943 Buffalo Avenue | Jacksonville, FL 32208

Acknowledgement

On behalf of the family, we wish to express our
gratitude for your many kindnesses, as evidenced in
thought and deed, and for your audience at this service.

The Family of the late

- Don Earl Thomas, Sr. -

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In Loving Remembrance



Don Earl
THOMAS, SR.

SUNRISE
SEPTEMBER 27, 1953
CROSS CITY, FL

SUNSET
FEBRUARY 15, 2023
JACKSONVILLE, FL

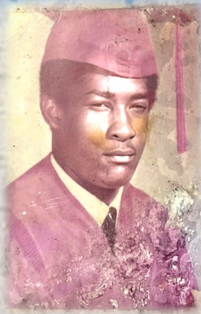
Memorial Service

3:00 PM, SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 2023

Samuel C. Rogers, Jr. Memorial Chapel
4315 N. MAIN STREET | JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA 32206

Shannon Thomas, Officiating

Obituary



Don Earl Thomas Sr. affectionately know as "Bo" or "Big Donnie" was born in Cross City, Florida on September 27, 1953. He received his education at William M. Raines High School, Jacksonville, FL where he excelled in his studies. He independently studied and mastered martial arts, several foreign languages, free hand drawing and carving artistic structures.

Don attended Florida Community College of Jacksonville and later became a carpenter by trade after attending United Brotherhood of Carpenters & Joiners of America in 1986. Big Donnie was an avid believer in furthering your education. In his spare time, he loved to do crossword puzzles, read books such as the Bible, dictionary, thesaurus, encyclopedia, and a host of other literature. He loved to watch game shows such as *Jeopardy*, *Let's Make a Deal*, and *The Price is Right* (which he watched daily with his late mother, Geneva S. Thomas "G-Ma"). He also loved games like Scrabble and Chess.

Don departed this life on February 15, 2023, and was preceded in death by: father, John E. Thomas; mother, Geneva S. Thomas; and son, Will Thomas. He leaves to mourn: daughters, Kenyota Martin and Donnetta Thomas; son, Don Thomas; grandchildren: Kiambre Phelps, Demetrius Hunter Jr., Kiarrah Hunter, Karleek Thomas, Temiko "TJ" Smith Jr., Dionni Thomas, and Ashlee Thomas; siblings: Reneldia Thomas, Hattie Lynette Brooks (David Brooks Jr.), Tina Thomas, Derrick Thomas, and Jeffery Martin (Bonus brother); aunts: Viola Thomas, Dorothy Lindsay, and Melinda Coley; uncles: Nathaniel Thomas, Larry Thomas (Jackie) and Cornelius Thomas; nephews: Shannon Thomas (LaDawna) and Malcolm Thomas; nieces: Jordan Jolly and Gen'Navia Jolly; special cousin, Victor "Mr. Cool" McKiver; and a host of grand nieces, nephews, and other relatives.

Loving Memories



When I'm Gone

*When I come to the end of my journey
And I travel my last weary mile,
Just forget if you can, that I ever frowned
And remember only the smile.*

*Forget unkind words I have spoken.
Remember some good I have done,
Forget that I ever had a heartache
And remember I've had loads of fun.*

*Forget that I have stumbled and blundered
And sometimes fell by the way.
Remember I have fought
Some hard battles and won,
Ere the close of the day.*

*Then forget to grieve for my going,
I would not have you sad for a day,
But in summer just gather some flowers
And remember the place where I lay.*

*And come in the evening
When the sun paints the sky in the west,
Stand for a few moments beside me
And remember only my best.*

