

Acknowledgement

Your words have comforted us, your support has strengthened us and your love has sustained us. We extend our deepest thanks to you for your kindness during our greatest sadness. We appreciate it more than words can express, and it will always be remembered. Special thanks to Coty Bryant from Choice Home Care Hospice. - *The Family of Cornelius Singletary*

Active Pallbearer

Troy Allen
D’Korian Ford, Sr.
Kenneth Grice

Elonza James
Tra’Shode James
Ahmad Johnson

D’Marcus Miles
Cornelius Singletary, Sr.
Jerious Singletary

Kalvin Singletary
Tommy Singletary, Jr.

Honorary Pallbearers

Freddie Allen Jr.
Freddie Allen, III
Calvin Ayres
Christopher Brown

Clarence Brown, Jr.
Donald Brown, Jr.
Donald Brown, Sr.
Dontrae Brown

Dontrell Callis
Bernard Ford
Ben Grice
Eddie Grice

Cornelius Singletary, Jr.
Johnny Singletary
Joshua Singletary
Keith Singletary

Tommy Singletary, Sr.
R. A. Wiley

Final Resting Place

St. John Cemetery
Van Vleck, Texas

FUNERAL HOME
703 N Brooks St.
Brazoria, TX 3318



CHAPEL
Avenue D
Bay City, TX 77414



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Pastor Ruben Newell, Eulogist - March 25, 2023 - 1:00 PM - St. John Baptist Church - 510 Ave D - Van Vleck, TX

Order of Service

Prelude

Processional Ministers and Family

Musical Selection Jeanie Fields

Old Testament Readings Pastor Russell Pointer

New Testament Readings Rev. Thomas Swist

Prayer Pastor Thomas Bree

Musical Selection The Lewis Family

Resolution(s)/Acknowledgement Ella Alliniece

Reflections

O.H. Herman High School Class of 1959

Friend Paul Ellis & Hussein Abdullahi

Family Calvin Singletary & Markisha Wheeler

Instrumental Musical Selection "Amazing Grace"

Words of Comfort Pastor Ruben Newell

Recessional

My Journey's Just Begun

Don't think of me as gone away
My journey's just begun
Life holds so many facets
This earth is but one
Just think of me as resting
From the sorrows and the tears
In a place of warmth and comfort
Where there are no days and years
Think of how I must be wishing
That you could know today
How nothing but your sadness
Can really go away
And think of me as living
In the hearts of those I touched
For nothing loved is ever lost.

Thinking About CH

On Saturday, December 3, 1938, Clifton Singletary and Althea Hayes Singletary welcomed their baby boy, Cornelius Henderson Singletary into the world. Little Cornelius grew up in the home with his mom, bonus father Henry Franklin and his three sisters in Van Vleck, Texas. There was so much love for him that they all had to agree that he was spoiled. Although they spoiled him, he was very protective of them as well as the ladies in his life!

Cornelius became affectionately known as C.H. He was a proud member of the O. H. Herman Class of 1959. He loved sharing stories about his days with the Steers. Even at 84, he told how he ran over many players with much enthusiasm. His love for sports was seen throughout his life as he continually supported his community at the high school football games. He also enjoyed teaching his nephews his football strategies, moves and plays that he enjoyed when he was a running back.

C. H. was a great provider for his family. He was a carpenter by trade. This passion started in his young life as his father instilled in him his carpentry skills that he also passed down to his sons, nephews, and many of the young men in the neighborhood. He was well known throughout the county because of his kindness and his abilities. He not only helped to build one of the banks in Bay City, the first elementary school in Van Vleck, a Baptist church in Palacios, but he also would work on small projects for people in the community. Later in life when he could no longer do the physical labor, he would take pride in supervising others who could do the manual labor.

C. H. was one who never met a stranger. It was commonplace for someone to come to his house to visit and he would jump in their car and ride off with them if he knew them or not. He was one to help others, from his family, to his neighbors, or strangers who needed his help, he was just that kind of guy.

Cornelius Henderson and Rosie Marie Singletary were united in holy matrimony on December 24, 2001. He loved his family, friends, church members and those in the community. C.H. was a member of St. John Missionary Baptist Church. He had a gifted voice and enjoyed gospel singers such as Bishop G. E. Patterson. Although he did not sing publicly, the family enjoyed him singing casually to them.

There are so many great memories. Those memories include his great storytelling. No matter how many times he would tell

the story and no matter how many times we would hear it told, it would be just as funny as it was the first time he shared it. Memories also include him dressing up as Santa Claus each year for the family and for the church; he really had us fooled. We remember him being a gentle giant who would threaten the kids with the "tippy-toe belt" when they got out of line. We recall how he loved going fishing as well as planting gardens that grew some of the best egg plants, corn, and most of all his prized sweet potatoes. We will miss just getting in the car and riding around with him reminiscing over old times. There is no way we can forget his green truck that leaned to one side that he used to get from job to job, nor can we forget the look on his face when he came outside his sister's house and noticed his truck was gone and thought it was stolen only to find out that his sister got in the truck and drove it back to his house. Yeah, he learned to take her serious when she told him not to block her driveway. It warms our hearts when we reminisce on the great turn-out for his birthday parade during COVID where the police and fire truck lead the line with many families, friends, community and church members participating. Wow, what great times... what precious memories.

On Friday, March 17, 2023, CH's last construction job was completed and he moved from his earthly home to the home that was prepared for him that was not made by man's hands. Those who will cherish these and many other precious memories include his wife, Rosie Marie Singletary; children: Johnny Singletary, Tommy (Tiffany) Singletary Sr., Amey Singletary, Kenneth (Alzenia) Grice, and Eddie (Nancy) Grice; grandchildren: Cornelius Singletary, Sr., Tommy Singletary, Jr., Markisha Wheeler, Calvin Singletary, Joshua Singletary, Jazz Singletary, Diamond Grice, Ashley Grice, Ahmad Johnson and Ayanna Grice; great-grandchildren: Cornelius Singletary, Jr., Keith Singletary, Jerious Singletary, and Amiyah Grice; nieces: Bonnie Brown, Teresa (Bernard) Ford, Susan (Calvin) Ayres, and Paula (Ben) Grice; nephews: Clarence Brown, Jr., Freddie (Lisa) Allen, Jr., and Donald Brown, Sr., and a multitude of great-great-nieces and nephews, extended family, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, along with his son, Keith Grice; sisters: Willie Lee Brown, Bonnie Faye Porter, and Amey Mae Coulter; brothers, Moses, Sam, Donald, and Tom Wilkerson; aunt: Addie McNeil; mother-in-law: Carrie Mae Richardson; nephew: Travis Singletary; and great-great-nephew: D'Korian Ford, Jr.

Psalms 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

