

~Life Reflections~

Our beloved Mr. Isaih Sullivan Sr. went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, October 22, 2022, at the age of 87 years. He was born to Mrs. Willie B. Crowell (Sullivan) Bester and Mr. William Sullivan on September 27, 1935, in Pickens County, Alabama, and raised by his maternal grandparents, Mrs. Annie Lou Crowell and Mr. Early Crowell.

He confessed Christ at an early age and was baptized at the Liberty Missionary Baptist Church. He later joined Saint Mark African Methodist Episcopal Church where he served faithfully until his health failed. He sang in the Male Chorus and served as a Trustee.

Isaih worked at Fair Electric Company for 18 years while simultaneously working as a pipe fitter at Central Foundry for 27 years. He was later employed as a Plumber for 25 years at Tuscaloosa City Schools. He was blessed to retire, but always had home projects that he and his wife would plan and do together. He was a gentleman, generous to a fault, and always very calm. He was a friend to everyone and would do plumbing work at the drop of a hat. He genuinely loved working with his hands and enjoyed being a plumber and appliance repairman. He knew a great deal about plumbing and life. He put in time to teach and train his children on his craft. He was a sports fan and especially liked watching baseball and football on TV. He was an excellent cook and was well known for his homemade biscuits and Fried Catfish. He loved to dress sharp on Sunday mornings for church service, and his children kept him in the latest fashions.

Mr. Isaih Sullivan Sr was preceded in death by his parents, Mrs. Willie B. Bester and Mr. William Sullivan, grandparents, Mrs. Annie Lou Crowell, and Mr. Early Crowell; Brothers, Early Sullivan Sr., James Jake Sullivan, Jesse Sullivan Sr., Tommie Sullivan, and Willie J. Bester; Sisters, Annie Pearl Howard, and Mary Morrison.

Continuing to cherish his memory and celebrate his life and legacy are his loving wife of 54 years, LouElla Sullivan, five children: Loretta (Hugh) Reed, Isiah Sullivan Jr (Sarah), Patrick (Melissa) Sullivan, Cynthia (Howard) Dancy, Cerone (Carlisa) Sullivan; six siblings, Larry(Loretta) Bester, Perry Bester, Dorothy Reeves, Martha Martin, Johnnie M.(Jimmy) Edwards, and Bessie M. Love; one Aunt, Sarah Delaney, eighteen grandchildren, host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, dear friends, church family, neighbors; and numerous others whose lives he touched.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Prelude.....Musician

Processional

Selection.....Reverend Clarence Tunstall
Ms. LaTala Tunstall
Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church

Scripture Reading

Old & New TestamentPastor J. D. Webb

Pray.....Reverend H. P. Thomas Jr.
Second Baptist Church

Words of EncouragementReverend David E. Gay Jr.
Beulah Missionary Baptist Church

Selection.....Reverend Clarence Tunstall and LaTala Tunstall

Reading of Obituary (Silently)

Acknowledgement and Resolution.....Mrs. Mary Porter

Eulogy.....Reverend Antonio Thomas
Saint Mark A.M.E. Church

Recessional



Interment

Cedar Oak Memorial Park
1401 Mimosa Park Rd.
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

May I Go?

May I go now? Don't you think the time is right? May I say goodbye to pain filled days and endless restless nights? I have lived my life and done my best, an example I tried to be. So, can I take that step beyond and set my spirit free? I did not want to go first. I fought with all my might! But something draws me now to a warm and loving light. I want to go! I really do! It is difficult to stay. But I will try as best I can to live just one more day... To give you time to care for me and share your love and fears. I know you are sad and are afraid because I see your tears. I will not be far, I promise that, and hope you will always know, that my spirit will be close to you wherever you may go. Thank you so for loving me. You know I loved you too. That is why it is not hard to say goodbye and end this life with you. So, hold me now, just one more time, and let me hear you say. Because you care so much for me, you will let me go today.

Honorary Pallbearers

Saint Mark AME Church Family	Saint Mark AME Trustee Board
Saint Mark AME Male Chorus	Beulah Missionary Baptist Church
Hospice of West Alabama	Dr. Fawad M. Aryanpure
Dr. Mohammad Azam	Mr. Kenneth Hardy
Mr. Danny Patton	CHS Classes of 1986, 1987, 1998

Pallbearers

Mr. Darren Morrison	Rev. Chris Chappell
Rev. Jeff Webb	Mr. Jessie McKinney
Mr. Kenneth Mahan	Mr. Reonshello Sullivan Jr.

Flower Bearers

Central High School Classes of 1986, 1987, 1998
Matrons of Beulah Baptist Church
Family & Friends

Acknowledgement

The family wants to thank all of you for your prayers, visits, flowers, cards, and other deeds of kindness shown during the illness and passing of our loved one. May God continue to bless each of you individually and collectively.

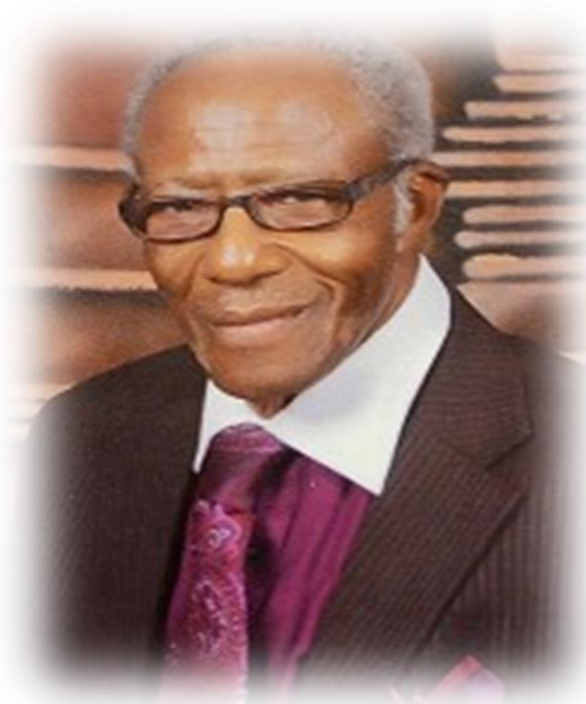
~ The Family of Mr. Isaih Sullivan Sr.

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Rainey Mortuary Service
205-758-1300



Celebrating the Life of Isaih Sullivan Sr.



Sunrise

September 27, 1935

Sunset

October 22, 2022

Saturday, October 29, 2022 * 11:00 AM

Saint Mark A.M.E. Church
2715 18th Street
Tuscaloosa, AL 35401

Pastor Antonio Thomas, Officiating