

## *Acknowledgements*

A very special thanks to Joe and Dennis Thomas and Preston Charles Funeral Home. Perhaps you sent a comforting message, flowers or a card; or maybe just sat quietly praying at heart. Maybe you came by to show that you care, with tender hugs and kisses all given in prayer. Thank you for all the acts of kindness and whatever you may have done to console our hearts. We thank you so much whatever the part.

## *Active Pallbearers*

Malcom Thomas • Kyle Henderson • Dexter Hillman  
Joey Kimbrough • Marcus Harris • Johnathan Moon

## *Honorary Pallbearers*

Jasper Thomas • A.C. Mitchell • Dale Hill • Doug Howard  
McCoy Wright • Enorris Thomas • Gerald Hildebrand



*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free. I'm following the path God laid for me.  
I took His hand when I heard Him call, I turned my back and left it all.  
I could not stay another day, to laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way, I've found that peace at the close of day.  
If my parting has left a void, then fill it with remembered joy.  
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss, Ah yes, these things I too will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow, I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I've savored much, good friends,  
good times, a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief, Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart and share with me. God wanted me now, He set me free.*



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# A SERVICE OF MEMORY CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF *Theodore Johnson, Jr.*

September 1, 1941 — May 16, 2023



Saturday, May 27, 2023

Visitation – 11 a.m. • Service – 12 p.m.

*Fried Stone Baptist Church*  
621 Lafayette Avenue • Middletown, OH 45044

Elder Jennifer Edwards, *Officiating*  
Pastor Steven McGee, Th.D., *Pastor/Eulogist*

# Obituary

**THEODORE (TED) JOHNSON, JR.**, 81, of Middletown, Ohio went home to be with the Lord on Tuesday, May 16, 2023.

He was born on September 1, 1941 in Conecuh, AL to the late Theodore and Eula (Riley) Johnson, then moved to Buffalo, NY. Ted was a member of Tried Stone Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his son, Marcus Thomas; sister, Maxine Johnson; and brother, John Johnson.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his devoted and loving wife of 36 years, Cathy; three stepchildren, which he was a father to, Russell Warfield (New York), Denny Arnett (Youngstown) and his special daughter, Natalee Henderson (Middletown); four grandchildren, Malcom, Devin, Kyra and Kyle Henderson; a very special great-granddaughter and his night time prayer warrior, Lyric Henderson; and a host of family and friends.

Ted retired from Monarch Marketing as an Auditor Quality Control Supervisor after 25 years of service.

Ted was also a veteran of the Air Force with a Honorable Discharge. He was also a mentor for several youths in the community and would not hesitate to share his wisdom from years ago.

All that knew Ted will always remember his infectious and unique laugh, along with his sense of humor!



*A precious one from us is gone, a voice we loved is still.  
A place is vacant in our home, which never can be filled.*

*But after a lonely heartache and many silent tears;  
There's always a beautiful memory of one we loved so dear.*

# Order of Service

Organ Prelude .....The Musician

## *Air Force Military Tribute*

Parting View.....The Family

Prayer.....Elder Gloria Edwards

Scriptures.....Ministers  
Old and New Testaments

Selection.....Tried Stone Choir

Acknowledgements.....

Remarks.....(2 minutes, please)

Obituary.....Read Silently  
*(A time to think, a time to pray, a time to reflect and  
thank God for the life of **Theodore Johnson, Jr.**)*

Selection.....Natalee Henderson

Eulogy.....Pastor Steven McGee

Benediction.....Pastor Steven McGee

Recessional.....Clergy, Bearers and Family



Repast, immediately following the services.