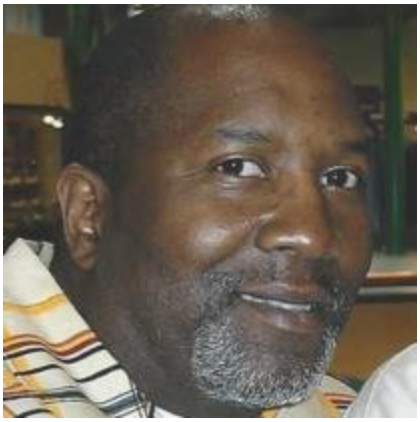


Thomas Bailey III

March 12, 1959 - July 4, 2015

Our beloved father, Thomas Bailey III, was born on March 12, 1959 to Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Bailey Jr. in the Bronx, New York. He graduated from Harry S. Truman H.S. and attended Indiana State University. He served 4 years in the United States Marine Corps as a field radio operator. He was deployed to the Philippines and Japan. He earned a Rifle Expert Badge and a Sea Service Ribbon before being honorably discharged. Believing in a strong work ethic, he held various jobs and retired from Verizon as a service technician after 20 years of service.

Thomas relocated to Chesapeake Virginia in 2011 to be near his sister, Verona. Under the leadership of Bishop Kim W Brown, he was baptized and joined the partnership of Mount Lebanon Baptist Church (The Mount).

Thomas was extremely devoted to his 6 sons. He had an affectionate, embarrassing nick name for each of them. Two of his favorite sayings that are often quoted were "No crying when the lights are on" and "Stay Strong". He was also known for his various stylish hats.

Thomas' favorite hobbies were fishing, cooking and hosting his annual 4th of July cookouts for his family and friends. Because of his charisma and outstanding personality, people were drawn to him and he would have long conversations, even with strangers. Thomas was high spirited, confident, caring, outgoing, optimistic, dependable, and had a great sense of humor. He was a great role model for many young men.

Thomas departed this life on July 4, 2015 peacefully with all his sons, mother,

sister and nephew with him. He leaves behind a legacy of 6 sons, Thomas IV, Willie (Laura), Terrell, Darnell, Isaiah and Zachariah; daughters Joslyn and Sidney; 4 grandchildren, Ariana, Donavan, Samantha and Elijah; mother, Verona; sister, Verona (Franklin); nephew, Tyrone; and grand-nephews, Jae'Lyn and Devin. Also loving Thomas and cherishing his memory are his uncle, aunts, cousins, god-brother Donald, family and friends. A very special person, close to his heart, whom he loved and appreciated dearly, was his cousin Tonya A. Crute.

Cemetery Details

Albert G Horton Jr. Veterans Memorial Cemetery

5310 Milner's Road
Suffolk, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **10**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
1248 N. George Washington Hwy.
Chesapeake, VA 23323
(757) 487-3700
info@jtfisherfuneralservices.com
https://www.jtfisherfuneralservices.com

Service

JUL **11**. 1:00 PM (ET)

J. T. Fisher Funeral Services Chapel
1248 N. George Washington Hwy
Chesapeake, VA

Tribute Wall

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Thomas Bailey III

J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - July 11, 2015 at 12:34 PM

DT

Such a beautiful service. Memories is what I will always carry in my HEART of Thomas Baileylll, Love you always. Dale

Dale Tubbs - July 12, 2015 at 07:17 PM

This was absolutely beautiful!!! I will always remember my cousin!!!

Dee Wheeler - July 13, 2015 at 06:12 PM

WS

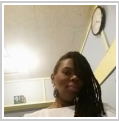
Rest in peace cuz Hanshaw

William smalls - July 14, 2015 at 07:45 AM

Tonya Crute

R.I.P cuz, I will carry your memory in my heart always.. Love you.

Tonya Crute - July 15, 2015 at 04:49 PM



That was amazing! S.I.P cousin! I will always love you!

Christal Crute - July 15, 2015 at 05:19 PM

Ervin Owens

This was very nice. Take your rest cuz. You'll forever be in our hearts. Love you

Ervin Owens - July 16, 2015 at 12:24 AM

Beautiful salute to his life. S.I.P. my friend. Love and miss you

Inez Spigner-Taylor - July 19, 2015 at 04:50 AM

TM

I will never forget your smile.

Tahesha Moultrie - July 13, 2015 at 06:46 PM

RE

To the family, I remember my cousin Thomas as always having this big grin on his face whenever you saw him never had anything bad to say about anyone, I didn't see him often but when I did it was like yesterday, I will miss him dearly.be strong for God is with you. S.I. P Thomas love you always!!

Renee - July 13, 2015 at 06:31 PM

Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas Bailey III.

July 10, 2015 at 02:41 PM

38 files added to the album LifeTributes

J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - July 09, 2015 at 01:40 PM

AG

I will never forget your laugh. You will be truly missed.

Angie Gibbs - July 07, 2015 at 08:17 PM

WT

WOW!!!!!!!!! My memories of Thomas will be that beautiful smile and that joyful laugh. He really help me to live again. He will always be in my heart. I love you, Thomas. Our trip to Louisiana was a blast. Man, I miss you, oh so much!!!!!!!! Dale

Wendale Tubbs - July 07, 2015 at 05:42 PM