



Thomas Darden, Sr.

July 15, 1936 - February 15, 2023

Thomas Darden, Sr. went home to be with the Lord on February 15, 2023. He was born July 15, 1936 in Pendleton, North Carolina. He attended Fourth Baptist Church. He retired from Norfolk Veneer Mills after 40+ years of service. He later reentered the workforce and was employed by Portsmouth Public Schools, where he remained for 16+ years until he retired a second time.

Thomas is predeceased by his wife, Margaret, who passed in 2020 after 60 years of marriage. Their union was blessed with 5 children, Patricia E. Darden, Phillistine Howard, Thomasine Darden, Thomas Darden, Jr., (Judy Theus) and Kimberly Opasina (Omololu).

His legacy includes 10 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren and 2 great great-grandchildren. He is predeceased by his aunt, Lillie Ann Parker, and siblings, Shirleen Daniels and Luceda Parker. He leaves behind to cherish him memory his siblings, James Parker, Jr. (Ella), Jesse Parker (Carol), Shirley Parker, Sheila Motley, Rocky Rawles (Ron), Annie Mae Maddrick (Robert), Albert Parker, Willie Paul Parker (Alice) and Johnnie Lee Parker. A host of nieces, nephews, in-laws and close family friends will miss him.

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith." II Timothy 4:7

Cemetery Details

Carver Memorial Cemetery

2320 East Washington Street
Suffolk, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 23. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
1248 N. George Washington Hwy.
Chesapeake, VA 23323
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Service

FEB 24. 11:00 AM (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 Darden, Sr.



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - February 27, 2023 at 07:26 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - February 24, 2023 at 07:30 AM



“ 28 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - February 23, 2023 at 11:05 AM

PJ

“ Granddaddy, you will be missed! We love you!

Tricey

*Each year just increased my devotion to you,
Glad I learned among other things, from your counsel,
That the world is much kinder with tenderness.
That every young heart should have someone like you,
Who helps them believe dreams can really come true.
Someone who always remains by their side,
Whose faith is their faith: a strong sense of pride.
One word, special someone, "Grandfather" by name,
Whose love helps ignite a perpetual flame.*

Patrice Johnson - February 22, 2023 at 02:56 PM

CG

“ I'd like to send my deepest condolences to the Darden family, your dad was an amazing person he was like a father figure to me. I will always keep his memory alive and may God comfort the family during this time. Love you guys ❤️❤️ Connie Gregg

Connie Gregg - February 22, 2023 at 11:25 AM

DJ

“ Our condolences to the Darden Family from Darin, Donna, DJ Dixson, RIP Mr. Thomas



Donna Maria Jacobs-Dixson - February 20, 2023 at 09:07 AM

BS

“ Bruce Smothers lit a candle in memory of Thomas Darden, Sr.



Bruce Smothers - February 18, 2023 at 01:54 PM



Ernestine Mears Tyler

Rest in a peace Mr Thomas Darden. I will always remember you visiting my dad, Ernest Mears, when he was in the hospital. I will keep your family in prayer.

Ernestine Tyler - February 22, 2023 at 01:15 PM