



Earl "Moe T" Johnny Townes

September 21, 1957 - December 6, 2023

Reflection of Life

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day- and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing. 2 Timothy 4:7-8

It is with great sadness that our beloved Earl Johnny Townes left this world peacefully on December 6, 2023, at age 66. Moe was born in Richmond, Virginia to Regina Townes and the late Johnnie Townes on September 21, 1957. He is preceded in death by his twin sister Pearl "Alma" Townes and brother Horace Townes.

He enlisted in the United States Army National Guard and served his country proudly. Upon his honorable discharge from the military, he worked hard and eventually gained a love for floor cleaning and restoration. Earl formerly worked as a Custodian at Clover Hill Elementary School in Midlothian, Virginia which made him most proud.

He was affectionately known as "Moe" by his family and friends. The tapestry of Moe's life was woven with the threads of family and he was bestowed with the cherished gift of two children, Kym and Danielle. His grandchildren were

an extension of his heartbeat.

Moe's ability to connect with people was unparalleled; he never met a stranger and befriended everyone he encountered. The overwhelming outpouring of love today is a testament to the treasured relationships and connections he cultivated. He was a wonderful man and provider to his family. In his leisure, Moe enjoyed riding his motorcycle with his Cobra One buddies.

He is survived by his wife Benita Tiangson-Townes, loving children Kym Townes-Longoria and Danielle Townes, adored grandchildren Mya Longoria and Jayla Collins; beloved mother Regina Townes; siblings, Ronald Townes, Tracie Townes, Beverley Townes, and Charles "Man Man" Townes; caring niece, Jeaneen Townes; and host of other nieces, nephews, cousins, and his dear Cobra One Family, Clover Hill Elementary School Family, and friends.

When We Lost You

We wish we could see you one more time,

Come walking through the door...

But we know that is impossible, we will hear your voice no more.

We know you can feel our tears and you don't want us to cry,

Yet my heart is broken because we can't understand

why someone so precious had to die.

We pray that God will give us strength and somehow get

me through...as we struggle with the heartache

That came when we lost you.

Cemetery Details

Roselawn Memory Gardens

13389 Mountain Road
Glen Allen, VA 23059

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 21. 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home -Laburnum Chapel
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.
Richmond, VA 23222

Family Hour

DEC 21. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Celebration of life with live streaming

DEC 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *March Funeral Homes created a To View the Webcast of the Earl J. Townes, Please Click the Link below. in memory of Earl "Moe T" Johnny Townes*



March Funeral Homes - December 12, 2023 at 04:47 PM

MS

“ *Margo Schroyer lit a candle in memory of Earl "Moe T" Johnny Townes*



margo schroyer - January 03, 2024 at 12:58 PM

MS

Gonna truly miss you so much. Heaven gained such a beautiful soul. Love you Moe T always - Margo

margo schroyer - January 03, 2024 at 12:59 PM

KS

“ The halls of Clover Hill Elementary will never be the same. I have worked with Moe for so many years. He was always singing and laughing. He loved the students and the staff and was always there when you needed him. Every afternoon when I left he would be cleaning the cafeteria and always sang a good bye as I walked out. What a way to end the day! I will miss that! Rest in peace Moe and thank you for being my friend. I will miss you.

Karen Sidoti

Karen Sidoti - December 21, 2023 at 08:07 PM

AP

“ My thoughts are with you and your family as you grieve the loss of your loved one. I hope that as your family processes this loss, you can walk through it together. May you also find comfort in the memories you shared with [him/her]. From my family and me, please accept our deepest sympathies.

Aliyah and Sam pleasant - December 21, 2023 at 04:29 PM

VI

“ There are no words to describe the loss of our friend Moe. He is, was and will forever be a light that walked the halls of Clover Hill Elementary school. I am so lucky to have known him. I miss you Moe, more than words can express.

Victoria - December 21, 2023 at 09:31 AM

MF

“ MRS Rose Johnson & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Earl "Moe T" Johnny Townes.

MRS Rose Johnson & Family - December 20, 2023 at 09:43 PM

MF

“ MRS Rose Johnson & Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Earl "Moe T" Johnny Townes.



MRS Rose Johnson & Family - December 20, 2023 at 09:43 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Earl "Moe T" Johnny Townes.



December 19, 2023 at 11:58 PM

SP

“ My daughter, Addie was a student at Clover hill. This video was six years ago. He was a bright star for the children. Keep on shining! Much love and prayers to the Family. - Stacey and Addie



Stacey Pulliam - December 13, 2023 at 08:43 PM



“ When we moved to Woodlake, Mr. Moe was the first friendly face to welcome my sons and I to our brand new elementary school. If it wasn't for him and his amazing interactions with my sons that day, I would have left in tears. Mr. Moe was so genuine and kind to us. He would sit with my boys sometimes in the cafeteria and check up on them. And ALL the kids loved his singing!! Mr. Moe made CHES an amazing school. He is so loved and so missed. We were so blessed by him. ❤️

Shari Mason - December 13, 2023 at 08:42 PM



“ My kids are high school and college age now but we will never forget Mr. Moe and the impact he had on my kids and the other students he interacted with at CHES. He was a wonderful person and will be missed by many!

Cassie Craze - December 13, 2023 at 01:50 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Earl "Moe T" Johnny Townes.



December 12, 2023 at 11:49 AM

DN

“ I’m not sure I can adequately put into words what Moe meant to me. I worked with him at Clover Hill Elementary School for the last decade. Moe was an incredible man who loved his job immensely . Moe was a friend to all who entered the school: staff, students, parents, and visitors. Almost on a daily basis you could hear Moe singing happy birthday to students or staff members. He was caring, thoughtful, friendly, and funny. He was a protector. He always had a watchful eye on the building's events and going-ons. He had an incredible work ethic. We shared stories of our dogs - he loved talking about his sweet Zeus. I will miss Moe. Our school certainly has a void without him. We have lost a shining star. I pray for comfort for his family & friends during this difficult time. Rest In Peace Moe

Dede Nowlin

Dede Nowlin - December 12, 2023 at 08:47 AM

MD

Mr. Moe was the best ! All who knew him were truly blessed ! He's with Jesus now singing with the angels.
Mr. Moe 'you were always so kind to me every morning I would come in to volunteer you always had a smile and a warm greeting.
You will be missed for sure, and you've sure left alot of memories on those that got to know you.
Rest well sweet man, you've earned it for the hard work you've done for so many.

Mary Dreyer - December 15, 2023 at 08:11 AM

LK

Mr. Moe was the absolute best! He cared for each and every student, teacher and parent at clover hill. He would find a way to brighten your day no matter what. I pray for peace and comfort for his family and friends and I hope they get to hear what a wonderful impact he left at clover hill.

Lynze Kapp - December 17, 2023 at 04:46 PM

DW

“ I worked at Clover Hill Elementary when Moe was there. He was always a bright spot in my day. His smile and happiness made it difficult to have a bad day when I saw him!! He loved the children at the school and made each child feel special. The staff at the school adored him because he was forever lending a hand to those in need. I have many happy memories of him. I pray that God will comfort his family during this difficult time.

Donna Willett

Donna Willett - December 11, 2023 at 12:21 PM

MG

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I had the privilege of working with him at Clover Hill Elementary School for many years and I treasure each and every minute we shared. He was such a shining star for the faculty, staff, but mostly for the children. They loved "Mr. Moe"! He loved those kids like they were his own. He took such pride in his job. We were so lucky to have him as part of our CHES family.

On a personal note, my husband, son, son-in-law and nephew had the pleasure of an overnight fishing trip with Moe several years ago. They have such great memories of that time together. Every time I saw Moe, he would always talk about that trip and I regret that they never had a chance to do another one.

*Rest in peace, dear friend. I know you are singing your heart out!
Love you forever. Michele Greis*

Michele Greis - December 11, 2023 at 11:23 AM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

March Funeral Homes - December 08, 2023 at 04:46 PM