



## Haywood E. Pressley

September 1, 1926 - September 10, 2018

Haywood Elliott "Bubba" Pressley, peacefully departed from this life on September 10, 2018. He was born on September 1, 1926 to the late Willie and Carrie Pressley in Clarendon, S.C. He was the last surviving sibling. Haywood was preceded in death by Wesley Pressley, Edward Pressley, William Hodge, Annabelle McCleod, Katherine Williams, Rachel McFadden, and Maggie Robinson. At the age of 2 when his mother passed his Aunt Lizzie Alston moved him to Richmond, Virginia to the Newton area. There he attended school and joined First Union Baptist Church where he was a faithful member. He joined the Armed forces and when he got out of service he opened a shoe shine shop where on Sunday Morning you could get the best shine for church. After several years of shining shoes, he came up with another business, a restaurant and the BLUE STAR DINER was established. He managed this business for over 50 years and you could get the best fried chicken ,fish, shrimp dinner, homemade pies and cakes.

He leaves to cherish his memories his wife, Elizabeth Harrell Pressley; two sons, Chester Pressley (Ophelia) and Warren Thomas (Star); seven grandchildren, Jacqueline Adams, Audrey Thomas, Allen Thomas, Aundie Spell, Chester Smith, Cara Pressley, and Rashaad Thomas; nine great grandchildren; five great great grandchildren; one sister-in-law, Thelma Paul; two nieces, one devoted Rosa Mae Phillips; two nephews; a special great niece, Angela McFadden Harris and many other relatives and friends.

GOD'S GARDEN

GOD LOOKED AROUND HIS GARDEN

AND FOUND AN EMPTY PLACE

HE THEN LOOKED DOWN UPON THE EARTH

AND SAW YOUR TIRED FACE.

HE PUT HIS ARMS AROUND YOU

AND LIFTED YOU TO REST.

HE SAW THE ROAD WAS GETTING ROUGH

AND THE HILLS WERE HARD TO CLIMB,

SO HE CLOSED YOUR WEARY EYELIDS

AND WHISPERED "PEACE BE THINE".

IT BROKE OUR HEARTS TO LOSE YOU

BUT YOU DIDN'T GO ALONE,

FOR PART OF US WENT WITH YOU

THE DAY GOD CALLED YOU HOME.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Lawn Cemetery

4000 Pilots Lane  
Richmond, VA 23222

# Previous Events

## viewing

SEP 21. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

## Wake

SEP 21. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

SEP 22. 12:00 PM (ET)

First Union Baptist Church-Dill Road  
3510 Dill Road  
Richmond, VA 23222



# Tribute Wall



“ *Haywood E. Pressley*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Haywood E. Pressley.*



September 22, 2018 at 04:06 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** - September 12, 2018 at 09:08 AM