



## Isiah G. Thompson

October 28, 1949 - March 10, 2014

ISIAH GEORGE THOMPSON was born on October 28, 1949, in Baltimore, MD to Isaac George and Virginia Ann Thompson. After a lengthy illness, he passed away at St. Agnes Hospital in Baltimore on Monday, March 10, 2014. He was 64.

Young Isiah was called “Ikey” by many of his childhood companions, and later throughout his adult life he was affectionately called “Ike” by family and friends. As a child, Ike was a member of the Boy Scouts of America. He enjoyed a variety of sports and was a standout player on the Southeast Police Boys Club football team. Some years later, he became a star player on various basketball teams in Baltimore's Pimlico area.

Ike, who attended First Apostolic Church as a teenager, was educated in Baltimore City Public Schools where he consistently achieved high honors, particularly in math and science. He graduated from Baltimore City College in 1967, furthering his studies at Morgan State College.

After a brief period as a Baltimore City Police Officer, Ike was attracted to the automobile industry. He became an award-winning salesman during his illustrious 30-year career in car sales. He was Finance Manager for some of the most prestigious car dealerships in the Baltimore-Washington, D.C. Area.

In the early 1970s, Ike married Rosalyn Cottman. In 1979, he married Phyllis Smith Crockett, the mother of his only child, Tiffany Thompson Shipley. In the late 1990s following their divorce, Ike married Loretta Caldwell of Washington, D.C.

Ike enjoyed traveling and meeting people. He was an impeccable dresser whose favorite musical group was Earth, Wind & Fire.

Ike was preceded in death by his beloved parents and sisters Darlene "Doll" Thompson Vines and Bernadette Emily Christmas.

He is survived by: his daughter, Tiffany Thompson Shipley (husband Raymond); granddaughter, Reese MacKenzie Shipley; brother, Rodney Thompson; nephews, Sean Thompson and Albert Harris; nieces, Bianca and Latrice Thompson; and very special friends who include Melvin E. Brown, Thomas and Barbara Joanne Williston, Linda Brockington and Joyce Allen.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Carmel

5712 O'Donnell Street  
Baltimore, MD

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAR 16. 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore  
4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
(410) 542-2400  
info@marchfh.com

## Wake

MAR 17. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

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MAR 17. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Isiah G. Thompson*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Our family would like to express condolences to The Thompson Family. May you find comfort from Jehovah God's Word The Bible where He promises to resurrect our dear loved ones to a restored beautiful paradise earth. He even assures us at 1 Corinthians 15:26 that "the last enemy death will be brought to nothing". Our prayers are with your family.*

linn & family - March 17, 2014 at 01:19 PM



“ *While words seem so inadequate at such a time as this, I am reminded of a conversation I once had with "Ike" where he described himself as a chameleon. When I asked, why a chameleon, he cheerfully responded that he was able to adapt, adjust, and yet be himself. That is the "Ike" that I will remember ... my friend and my brother-in-law. Knowing that God loves us helps us through times like these. Believing that He will never leave us brings comfort and reassurance to our lives. Being grateful for time spent with our loved one is truly a blessing and one that only our God can provide. To the family and friends of "Ike" I pray your strength in the Lord and know in my spirit that our God will see you through these trying times!*

*Always in Him who is able,  
Deacon Pamela Riddick  
BSMBC, Norfolk*



pamela riddick - March 17, 2014 at 07:21 AM

AF

“ Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. Death is the enemy of all mankind, yet when it touches us personally, few find the comfort they search for. The doctrines that are taught concerning death find their origins from men and not the Bible. As a result, they fail to leave those who are grieving with comfort or a hope. They do however, leave many with unanswered questions. The response that "God works in mysterious ways" or that "God needed another angel", does not satisfy the spiritual needs of those who are grieving. However, many have found comfort in the pages of God's word the Bible (2 Corinthians 1:3, 4). In God's word we find the promise that we can be reunited with our loved ones (John 5:28,29; Acts 24:15). The Bible tells us where this happy reunion will take place (Psalm 37: 11, 29; Matthew 5:5). We are told why we die (Genesis 3:17-19; Romans 5:12), and that the God of the Bible will end death forever (Isaiah 25:8; Revelation 21:3,4). Learning the truth about Jehovah, the God of the Bible (Psalm 83:18), God's Kingdom (Daniel 2:44), and the state of those who have died (Ecclesiastes 9:5), is the start to finding true comfort concerning loved ones who are sleeping in death (John 11:11-14; John 8:32. It is of vital importance to learn what the Bible really teaches concerning death. For more information please visit the website [jw.org](http://jw.org).

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**A Friend** - March 17, 2014 at 12:42 AM

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“ Love my Brother Rest in Peace.....Robbie

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**Robbie** - March 16, 2014 at 07:16 PM

MS

“ For about 20 years, part of our lives were spent in concentric circles, a larger circle of friends from DC, BMore and Philly, and the very special inner circle, and we were a part of both. Ike, more dapper than handsome, more savvy than smart, at home with pimps and provosts, was often the nucleus of the inner circle. Ike took my boys to see Bill & Hillary on the way to Bill's second inauguration and went to the ball later that night with Cinderella. I partied with Ike in Montego Bay, New York, Philly and DC., and more than once in each city. We've been to barbershops and bars, reunions and receptions. Always a gentleman, everytime a good time. This is the second time he got away from me sooner than I ever imagined, and there are very few people who know how much I will miss him, because they will miss him just as much. Ike was something to behold, and now the heavens are finding out what some of us already know.  
Mike Spencer

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mike spencer - March 16, 2014 at 02:59 PM



“ A Poem for my Big Brother Isaiah G. Thompson....

*All Is Well*

*Death is nothing at all.  
I have only slipped away into the next room.  
I am I, and you are you.  
Whatever we were to each other, that we still are.  
Call me by my old familiar name,  
Speak to me in the easy way which you always used.  
Put no difference in your tone,  
Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow.  
Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes we enjoyed together.  
Play, smile, think of me and if you want to, pray for me.  
Let my name be ever the household word that it always was,  
Let it be spoken without effect,  
Without the trace of a shadow on it.  
Life means all that it ever meant.  
It is the same as it ever was;  
There is unbroken continuity.  
Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight?  
I am waiting for you,  
For an interval,  
Somewhere very near,  
Just around the corner.  
All is well.*

*I Love you my brother and you will be missed.....Hezekiah (AKA)  
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**Hezekiah Baxter** - March 16, 2014 at 08:37 AM

DI

“ My name is Dietra Mellerson Ingram. I am Loretta's cousin. I lived with them when I first moved to DC some 29 years ago. Ike was my son's Godfather. He always told me I was his favorite cousin. Ike called me every holiday, no matter the holiday. I loved Ike and his spirit. We will truly miss him. I know that God has him now, so he can rest. Tiffany he loved you and I know you will miss him. You and your family have my deepest sympathy. Rest my brother!



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**Dietra Mellerson Ingram** - March 15, 2014 at 04:45 PM

JC

“ I will always treasure the good times we had as a family - and I pray that you rest in peace.

*Sincerely, Jacqueline Caldwell and Family*

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**Jacqueline Caldwell** - March 15, 2014 at 11:51 AM

EA

“ Ike and I became acquainted thru his friendship then marriage to my Dear Friend Lorretta Caldwell-Thompson. We became fast friends, my Buddy from Baltimore, as well as colleagues in automotive sales in Northern Virginia. We all shared a lot of laughs as he was a good guy. Always "clean as Father Green" and a "high stepper" (for all of the OG's who know what that means). :-)) !!!! Ike had a strut and swagger that is unmatched even by today's standards. I will always be thankful to Loretta for introducing such a great gentleman to our big circle of friends here in the Washington DC area. Those of us who met him will always remember him with a smile.

God Rest His Soul!

Elliott A Brown Sr  
Arlington Virginia

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**Elliott A Brown, Sr Mercedes of Arl.** - March 15, 2014 at 09:36 AM

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“ Ike was always with my brother Melvin "one of the Temptations" so cool, always a smile, tall and handsome, clean cut and with a "song of goodness" on his heart, "homeboy". I have known him for close to 50 years. Through all his latter years of struggle, Melvin was there, and Ike knew the LORD as his savior. I will grieve for your loss family and for my brother who always hoped this day would be delayed, he has lost his best friend and "brother".

Oh God of all comfort, strengthen us to unlock our own hearts to your comfort and your new plans for our lives after tragedy and grief have done their worst.

Linda Brown, daughter of Doris, dear friend of Virginia and Isaiah Sr.

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**Linda Brown Jackson Ethridge** - March 14, 2014 at 09:07 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.

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**March Funeral Homes** - March 13, 2014 at 01:31 PM