



Dr. Jesse Thompson

January 26, 1948 - July 20, 2013

DR. JESSE THOMPSON, the son of the late Rev. John C. Thompson and Essie M. Thompson, was born on January 26, 1948 in Orangeburg, South Carolina. Jesse was educated in the Orangeburg public schools and graduated from Wilkinson High School. He received the Bachelor of Arts from Benedict College in 1975, the Master of Arts from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1979, and the Doctorate in Ministry from Dallas Theological Seminary in 1982. He also attended several other institutions of higher education including Brown University, Harvard Divinity School and Morehouse College.

Reverend Thompson was licensed to preach on January 24, 1971 in Orangeburg, and ordained in Fort Worth, Texas. Throughout his life, Jesse was involved in numerous religious and community associations. He was an active member of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, the Baptist World alliance, the United Baptist Missionary Convention of Maryland, the Interracial Ministerial Alliance and the Central Maryland Ecumenical Council. Jesse was a 32nd Degree Mason. He was also active with the Idlewood Community Association, the Morehouse College Alumni Association and a proud Golden Heritage Life member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Jesse was a life-long supporter of his Alma Mater, Benedict College. He was

past President of the Baltimore Benedict College Alumni Club, former Eastern Region Vice President, and Chaplain of the Benedict College National Alumni Association.

Dr. Thompson devoted his efforts to the youth of Pittsburgh as a counselor at the Three Rivers Youth Center. He also taught religious education courses through the Progressive National Baptist Convention and the United Baptist Missionary Convention of Maryland. Jesse relocated from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to Baltimore, Maryland where he became Associate Minister of Union Baptist Church in Baltimore and adjunct professor at Coppin State University. Dr. Thompson was employed by the Baltimore City Department of Social Services. At the time of his illness, he was teaching in the public schools of Baltimore City. On August 5, 1995, Jesse was united in marriage with the former Almta Sly. Together, they shared many interests and travels.

In addition to his devoted wife, Jesse is survived by two brothers, Samuel (Barbara) Thompson and Joseph (Ruth) Thompson; one sister, Shirley (Harold) Bellinger, all of Orangeburg, South Carolina; as well as nieces, nephews, cousins and other family members.

His cousin Eartha Lamkin and his friend Dr. Derek Lindsey remained devoted and attentive throughout his illness. In addition, the family was continually encouraged by the Union Baptist Family, Jesse's fellow Benedict alumni and many friends.

Cemetery Details

King Memorial Park Cemetery - Grand Heritage Chapel & Mausoleum

8710 Dogwood Rd.
Baltimore, MD 21244
(410) 944-8300
info@kingmemorialpark.com
<https://www.KingMemorialPark.com>

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JUL 26. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Family Hour

JUL 26. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215
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Wake

JUL 27. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Union Baptist Church
1219 Druid Hill Avenue
Baltimore, MD

Service

JUL 27. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Dr. Jesse Thompson*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



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lucinda - August 22, 2013 at 06:02 PM



“ *Ebony Hanes, Niece lit a candle in memory of Dr. Jesse Thompson*



Ebony Hanes, Niece - July 26, 2013 at 08:26 AM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss and would like to offer my condolences to your family. Death is such a terrible thing for a family to go through, I actually lost my mom about 4yrs ago. I'm truly grateful that I have the truth about death and look forward to the future when there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the unrighteous.”— ACTS 24:15. I'm sure you would love to see your dead loved one again in the coming Paradise here on earth! Again so sorry for your loss!!*

Ms Springer - July 26, 2013 at 05:42 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 - July 24, 2013 at 05:17 PM

PJ

This is to express my condolences to the family. Trust and respect are earned. Jesse, achieved this in his lifetime. He touched the lives of many.

P. Johnson

Prince Johnson - July 29, 2013 at 10:33 AM

SS

My heart goes out to my colleague Almeta at this sad time--think of you, Almeta! Your husband clearly was very special. Wishing you peace and comfort.

Sally Shivnan

Sally Shivnan - August 19, 2013 at 11:10 AM

CF

Almeta, you will be in my prayers. Your husband was a remarkable man. May memories comfort you.

Carol Fitzpatrick - August 19, 2013 at 04:39 PM

LU

Love the picture of Jesse...the true spirit of who he was; very bubbly and just a joy to be around. It goes to show that you should make every moment worthwhile as you never know the day nor the hour. My family are blessed that we were able to spend some valuable time with you and Jesse prior to his change in health. As we know with our prior losses, memories will keep us we meet again. Love, Ron, Lucinda, Briana and Brandon Bazile

lucinda - August 22, 2013 at 04:48 PM

LH

Almeta and family, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you.
Laurie Hess

Laurie Hess - August 26, 2013 at 01:21 PM

PB

Almeta
I am so sorry for you loss. You are in our prayers
Patty Bach

Patty Bach - August 28, 2013 at 12:32 PM

JG

Almeta,
I met Jesse at a Baltimore Morehouse Alumni Association meeting. He was a joyful and caring brother. May God comforted you during your period of bereavement.
Joe Nathan Grissom '68

Joe Nathan Grissom - September 04, 2013 at 09:25 AM