



Thomas B. Avens

April 21, 1936 - February 25, 2004

The sun rose on April 21, 1936 on Brunswick County, Virginia for the late Luther and Charlotte Avens with the birth of a son, Thomas Braxton Avens. The sun began to slowly set and finally faded away at 2:10 p.m. on February 25, 2004. At an early age Thomas accepted Christ in his life and joined Poplar Mount Baptist Church, Lawrenceville, Virginia. During the 1950's, he moved to Baltimore, Maryland to pursue employment. His employment status was one of continuity. He was employed with Bethlehem Steel from 1952 until 1978 when he became disabled due to diabetes. He also drove for the Yellow Cab Company. Thomas was united in holy matrimony to the late Ethelene Coleman Avens and to this union two sons and two daughters were born. Thomas, affectionately known as "Ticka," "TB," always made time for his family and friends. He was a dedicated and loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend. He really enjoyed a good time and some Bill Dotson ribs. He was real people person – and to know him was to love him for just whom he was – a friend until the very end. He leaves to cherish his memories: four children; Thomas Wendell Avens, Patricia Diane Smith, Archie Eugene Avens and Ethel Charlene Avens; two daughters-in-law, Patricia Hardy-Avens and Vanessa Avens; seven grandchildren, Thomas, Jr., Corey (Sylvia), Damon, Don, Dollie, Eric and Erykah; four great-grandchildren, Makiah, Daquan, Desmon and Deshawn; one brother, Otis Avens of Richmond, Virginia; three sisters, Dorothy Avens of Haverhill, Massachusetts, Maurice Brown and Ernestine Powell of Richmond, Virginia; one aunt, Hazel Cooke of Bronx, New

York; a loving mother-in-law, Willie Mae Coleman; five sisters-in-law, Odessa Avens, Helen Hawkins, Edna Smith of Lawrenceville, Virginia and Hazel and Maria Avens of Richmond, Virginia; special buddies, Wayne Gillis of Lawrenceville, Virginia and Albert Woodley, Baltimore, Maryland; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends. His wife, Ethelene Avens and brothers, Levi and Sam Avens preceded him in death

Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas B. Avens*

March 25, 2023 at 10:25 AM



“ *Thomas B. Avens*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ My deepest sympathy during your time of sorrow but know that the God of comfort is with you all during this time of tribulation. (2Corinthian 1:3-4) Due to the many unforeseen occurrences that brings tragedy to our lives Jehovah God promises one day soon Death will be no more (Rev 21:3-4) and his son have been given the authority to bring all those in the memorial tombs back to life. John 5:28-29 Just think there will come a time not only will death be no more but Jehovah promises that no one will have to say I'm sick according to Isaiah 33:24. I feel the need to express these words of hope because so many of us today treasure the gift of life and we do all we can to maintain it to hold on to it. That is why it hurts so badly when our loved ones die. With so many of us desiring life today no matter how good or bad it is we still want life here on earth. No one looks forward to that time of death. That is why I am under obligation by the spirit and love of God to share that hope that is in our near future that the righteous shall inherit the earth and reside upon it forever according to Psalms 37: 29 along with the above stated promises on a paradise and peaceful earth. We all can hold true to this everlasting promise because Isaiah 55:11 states all the words Jehovah have spoken WILL NOT RETURN WITHOUT RESULTS. What a wonderful prospect for our future especially enlight of the fact that Hebrews 6:18 States of God, it is IMPOSSIBLE for him to lie.##imported-begin##Carter##imported-end##

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“ To the family & friends of Mr. Avens. Please accept my deepest sympathy for the loss of your father, grandfather, brother, and friend. Even though I didn't know Mr. Avens, I know the pain of losing someone close and it hurts. During difficult times such as these, we can draw comfort from our loving Heavenly Father, Jehovah through His word the bible. At Isaiah 26:19, He promises: "Your loved ones will live. A corpse of mine-they will rise up. Awake and cry out joyfully, you residents in the dust..." How comforting this is to have the hope of seeing our loved ones again. It's not that we have to die in order to see them again, but they will be raised up and live again. Isaiah 25:8 says: "He will actually swallow up death forever..." so we will never have to worry about dying anymore. I hope you have found comfort in these scriptures. Please compare them to your copy of the bible and see these wonderful promises firsthand and have hope. Your family is in my prayers.##imported-begin##Denise Dukes##imported-end##

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“ To the Avens Family..Please except my deepest sympathy in the loss of your father. May the comfort of Gods Spirit surround all of you during this time. My prayers are with you today. In love & Peace..The Lord is my shepard I shall not want...Psalm 23..P.S. Bernie from Clifton Park Jr. High School..& Lake Clifton..Class of 1974..May you dad be welcomed by his beautiful wife and your special Mother.. "Dude"..Continue live on with the wonderful memories you have of both of your parents.##imported-begin##Bernadette Fowlkes-Bridges##imported-end##

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“ I am very sorry to see that Mr. Avens has passed. Now he is at peace and he has joined Miss Ethel. I would have been there if I had known before today. I have not forgotten the family. Please contact me at (410) 529-0814 if you want to talk.##imported-begin##Wanda L. Perry##imported-end##

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“ To the family. I would like to express my deepest sympathy. The Bible gives us a lot of encouragement and I hope it will help you also. The scripture is in Revelation 21:3,4. This gives us a hope that God will change the conditions and the world will be without sickness and death.##imported-begin##Kelvin Green##imported-end##

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“ My condolences to the family on the loss of your dear loved. Our family finds much comfort from the Bible especially during times of grief. One such verse is John 5:28,29- "Do not marvel at this, because the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs wii hear his voice and come out, those who did good things to a resurrection of life." My this also bring you much comfort and solace in the days ahead.##imported-begin##Sharon Hill##imported-end##

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“ To the family, Please accept my condolences. During this time you may find it hard to find comfort but be assured that God has promised, "Like a man whom his own mother keeps comforting, so I shall keep coomforting you people." Isaiah 66:13.##imported-begin##Gwen Winston##imported-end##

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