



Thurmon Sanders Vaughan, Sr.

April 19, 1944 - September 11, 2015

Thurmon Saunders “Porky” Vaughan, Sr., E.D., passed away suddenly on Friday, September 11, 2015, in Henrico, Virginia.

Vaughan, as he was affectionately known, was born April 19, 1944, in King William County, Virginia to Thelma Booker Vaughan and Ollie Vaughan, Sr. He was a 1962 graduate of Hamilton-Holmes High School in King William. He then attended and graduated from Norfolk State University in 1968, receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education. Vaughan moved to Detroit, Michigan and worked for many years in the Detroit Public School System, as well as working with children at the St. Peter Claver Community Center. During this time he continued to pursue studies in education, receiving a Master of Arts in Education Administration in 1974 from the University of Michigan and a Doctorate of Education in Education Administration in 1993 from Oakland University. His leadership training allowed him to study at the University of Warwick in London, England; Eastern Michigan University in Ypsilanti, MI; and Wayne State University in Detroit, MI. While working in the Detroit Public School System, Vaughan accepted the challenge of Assistant Principal at Clark D. Brooks Middle School and was later promoted to Principal of Ralph Waldo Emerson Elementary/Middle Schools.

Vaughan enjoyed many interests, both personal and professional. He found time to hunt, travel, fish, read and weight-lift. He was a prolific motivational

speaker in the Detroit area. He did all of this while holding positions with the Metropolitan Detroit Alliance of Black School Educators (President-Elect), Ford Motor Company Career Initiatives (Board of Directors) and membership in the ABIFF Lodge #21 of Masonic Order 32°. During his entire life, Vaughan continued to express his Christian upbringing and affirmed that God served as the author of his life and success. He always regarded his mother, Thelma Vaughan, as his mentor, guide and inspiration for building his leadership abilities and passion for serving others.

Vaughan is preceded in death by his parents and two brothers, Ollie, Jr. and Gerald. He is survived by his wife, Thomasine E. Skinner; two sons, Thurmon (Skip) Jr., of Dallas, TX; Terrance (Terry) of Holland, MI; one daughter, Tina Paige of Wappingers Falls, NY; three grandchildren, Thurmon III, Mackenzy, and Julian; and one great-grandchild, London Marie. He also leaves to cherish his memory, two devoted sisters, Anne V. Booker and Constance V. King (Howard); one brother, Anthony O. Vaughan, Sr. (Towanda); devoted cousin, JaNelle Latney; life-long friend, William (Bill) Lomax, special friend, Byron Hubbard (Hub), and a host of friends, cousins, co-workers, nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

4000 Pilots Lane
Richmond, VA 23222

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **18**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Family Hour

SEP **18**. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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<https://www.marchfuneralhomevirginia.com/>

Service

SEP **19**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thurmon Sanders Vaughan, Sr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Dad,*

I wish I was able to see you one more time before you were gone. That was the hardest news I've ever had to hear. I think about you every day and will continue to do so. You were an inspiration to many and I will continue to keep your strength as you would want me to. Weak people make excuses. Strong people make a plan. As I sit at night with Julian, we look at the granddaddy star that shines brightly outside his window and we say a prayer. I will continue to pray for your soul and that you rest peacefully. I love you!!!

Tina Vaughan Paige - September 25, 2015 at 09:26 AM



“ *Hope it helps to Soothe your Spirit to know that Thurmon was Loved and will be greatly Missed . HE TOUCHED THE LIVES OF MANY and made a DIFFERENCE. HIS SENSE OF HUMOR and "LAUGH " WILL ECHO FOREVER. YOU are being thought of with caring Prayers for a Peaceful Heart. Keep Praying , KEEP the FAITH GOD IS WITH YOU during this Difficult Time. REGINA RENO (aka CANCUN)*

Regina Reno - September 22, 2015 at 08:13 AM

GM

“ I love and miss you "Uncle Pokey" and will continue to....forever. You were my favorite uncle, hands down, and I was blessed to have you in my life. Your laugh was infectious and your smile lit up a room. We will make here without you but only with God's help...Have a peaceful rest and I pray to one day see you again...

Gwendolyn Moody-Edwards - September 18, 2015 at 11:46 AM

JT

“ Sending my condolences to the Family during this time. My prayers are with you and pray that he is your comforter and peace in this time of mourning. I pray your strength as days and years to come. He will always be in my memory as my Uncle Vaughn. His laugh and humor when he was around my Dad, Byron (Hubb) Hubbard. He will truly be missed but sure not forgotten.

Love and Prayers,

Justina (Hubbard) Tate

Justina Tate - September 17, 2015 at 11:07 AM

BH

“ Byron (Hubb) Hubbard purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Thurmon Sanders Vaughan, Sr..



Byron (Hubb) Hubbard - September 16, 2015 at 08:02 PM



“ 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 15, 2015 at 03:15 PM