



## Timothy Sylvester Thomas Minor

December 10, 1966 - March 22, 2023

### Reflections of My Life

Timothy Sylvester Thomas Minor

Sunrise: Saturday, December 10, 1966 – Florence, South Carolina

Sunset: Wednesday, March 22, 2023 – Highland Springs, Virginia

#### A Time to be Born.

My life began on Saturday, December 10, 1966, at 3:07 p.m., in Florence, South Carolina, as Timothy Sylvester Thomas, the first-born child to Vivian Ann Thomas and biological father Willie Lee “Stuckey” Jackson, Jr., at McLeod Hospital. Later, moving to Richmond, Virginia in 1968, my mom met and married Ralph D. Minor on March 4, 1973, who later adopted me. Thus, my name was changed to Timothy Sylvester Thomas Minor. Most of my family and friends know me as Tim, Timmy, and Tim-Tim. And it’s befitting that I give a loving shout out to my deceased grandmother, Mrs. Queenie B. Thomas, who generously gave me a formative upbringing during my young life in Florence.

#### A Time to Live.

My early education began at Trinity Baptist Church Day Care, Darlington Street, Florence, South Carolina (where I had a penchant of leaving to go back home to my grandmother, which was several blocks down the street). My

dear Aunt Mary Lillie Pipkins (my mother's youngest sister—deceased) was faithful enough in catching me walking at three years old. Coming to Richmond at the age of five, I attended Carver Elementary School and J. B. Fisher Elementary School (when the integration of busing began), Fair Oaks Elementary School, Fairfield Middle School, and Highland Springs High School, graduating in 1985; and Moseley-Flint Schools - Principals of Real Estate.

My sports activities included little league football (Hartshorn Dragons) and (Highland Springs Bulldogs), and Highland Springs recreational baseball—winning several team trophies (football and baseball) and Most Valuable Player (HS Bulldogs); Fairfield Middle School, tennis; and Highland Springs High School, 4-year varsity football team. I also played with the Virginia Ravens (semi-pro football team), Richmond, Virginia. Didn't make the NFL, but I love me some Dallas Cowboys.

My coaching experience included football— coaching at Chamberlayne, Highland Springs, and Sandston little leagues; John Rolfe and Elko Middle Schools; and coaching for All Star baseball teams with Metropolitan Junior Baseball League and Virginia Hornets.

My affiliations included being a member of the Army National Guard -Rank E-3, Wheel Mechanic, 1985-1989, 29th ID Divarty Headquarters, Sandston, Virginia; MC Ruf and Obsession singing group; and member of the Hobson Lodge #23 F & A Prince Hall Masons.

At an early age (1975) I was baptized at First Union Baptist Church (1700 West Moore Street), Reverend W. L. Henderson, Jr. and St. Paul's Baptist Church, Reverend Dr. Lance T. Watson, Sr.; and later becoming a member of Rising Mount Zion Baptist Church, Reverend Dr. Roscoe D. Cooper III, Pastor.

### A Time to Love.

On Monday, June 4, 1990, at approximately 4:00 p.m., I married the love of my life, my childhood sweetheart, Yhonna Maria Brown, at Providence Park Baptist Church, 468 East Ladies Mile Road, Richmond, Virginia 23223. The service was performed by Reverend Dr. Miles M. Jones, who graciously accommodated our wishes at this date and time. To this union, three children were born, India Anaise Minor (1991), Yhonna Imon Minor (1994), and Timothy Kirk Minor (1997).

Oftentimes, my wife would laugh at me because of my fetish for dressing to the “t”—leaving no wrinkles behind.

### A Time to Work.

During my lifetime I was employed with several companies as a CDL operator, most notable--Ready-Mix Concrete, Moore’s Lumber Company, and Curtis Bay Energy Medical Waste, CDL Lead Operator (retiring due to my health).

### A Time to Mourn.

Surrounded by my wife, children, mother, and friends, I transitioned from my Earthly home to my Heavenly home, on Wednesday, March 22, 2023, at 9:38 p.m., at the home of my mother, Vivian Ann Thomas Minor, 218 Carlstone Drive, Highland Springs, Virginia. It was my desire to spend my last days at the home to which I grew up in; and it goes without saying that I will truly miss the love of my wife, children, mother, and other family members and friends, as we shared in the many outings of playing, traveling, cookouts, cruising, and just hanging out with the guys.

Leaving to cherish my legacy is my devoted and loving wife of almost 33 years (June 4, 1990), Yhonna, whom I love dearly. I want to thank her for all

the unconditional care and love she provided me during our marriage and my illness—"I Love You." I'm also leaving my loving children, India Anaise Minor, Yhonna Imon "Moo-Moo" Minor (Fiancé Robie T. Carter), Timothy Kirk "TK" Minor (Fiancée Amber Boatwright), Javon Timothy Kersey (Yolanda), Davon Thomas Kersey (Shareen), Timesha LaSha Lee, and Monét Yvonne Cook; grandchildren, Anaise and Ashton Jones, and August Caldwell, Delaney, Kenleigh and Kannon Carter; Amari and Kameron Kersey, Penelope, Kyrie, Carter, and Jayden Kersey, Treyana Jackson and Royalty Rodriguez, Jaelynn, Malaki and Avery Leverett, and Khalil Boatwright; mother, Vivian A. T. Minor; fathers, Ralph D. Minor (adopted), Willie L. "Stuckey" Jackson, Jr. (Phyllis), (biological); brothers, Ralph T. "Terry" Minor (Rhonda), Willie L. "Chuck" Jackson (Pamela); sisters, Tosha Jackson and Carolyn Antley; mother-in-law, Ervine R. Brown; sister-in-law, Wanda L. Brown; uncle, Michael Jackson; aunts, Annette D. Thomas, Earnestine Thomas, Deloris McLeod and Betty Douglas (John); Eugenia Sexton and Dr. Idella Glenn (Reverend Michael); nephews, Marc T. Minor, Jamar Abrams, and MarQuis Jackson; nieces, Régan Mason, Londyn M. Minor, Amari Jackson, Chelsey Jackson, Jasmyn Burch, and Destinee O'Neal; several cousins, and other relatives and friends, most notably, Timothy (Tim) Alston to whom I

leave this message: "My dear friend Tim, wouldn't have made it through Hartshorn without you. Love you man."

Referencing one of my mother's favorite songs when she was a little girl:

"Que sera, sera, whatever will be, will be, the future's not ours to see.

Que sera, sera, what will be, will be."

"To all my family and friends—

I leave you my heart, soul, and love."

Husband, Dad, Grandfather (Papa), Son, Brother, Uncle, Nephew, Cousin, Friend.



# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAR 31. 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

## Celebration of Life

APR 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

Rising Mt. Zion Baptist Church  
2705 Hartman St.  
Richmond, VA 23223

## Masonic Service and Entombment

APR 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

Forest Lawn Cemetery  
4000 Pilots Lane  
Richmond, VA 23222

# Tribute Wall

DW

“ *Deborah Hewlett Williams lit a candle in memory of Timothy Sylvester Thomas Minor*



Deborah Hewlett Williams - April 16, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Timothy Sylvester Thomas Minor.*



March 31, 2023 at 01:20 PM

AR

“ *Sincere sympathy and prayers Ralph, Vivian and family. May God continue to comfort, bless and strengthen you during this difficult time. Love and Peace*

Amanda Robinson - March 31, 2023 at 12:53 PM



“ *[Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was purchased for the family of Timothy Sylvester Thomas Minor.*

March 29, 2023 at 06:41 PM

DH

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the Minor Family during this difficult time. May God grant you strength, comfort and peace.*  
*Derith Hatcher*  
*Rising Mount Zion Baptist Church*

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**Derith Hatcher** - March 27, 2023 at 05:06 PM

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“ *TO THE MINOR FAMILY:*  
*Prayers and sympathy thru your time in passing of ur loved one, Tim Minor. May God bless and comfort each of u.*



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**Shirley Abrams Christian** - March 27, 2023 at 11:25 AM

PW

“ *Pearlie Ware lit a candle in memory of Timothy Sylvester Thomas Minor*



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**Pearlie Ware** - March 24, 2023 at 03:12 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.*

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**March Funeral Homes** - March 23, 2023 at 02:46 PM

SH

*We are going to truly miss you Tim. U were a great loving person. Rest In Peace. Sheryl Hilliard. And family ( Danyell and Sherie Jones ) 🙏🙏*

**Sheryl Hilliard** - April 01, 2023 at 07:25 AM

BS

*To the Minor Family: Love is eternal. May beautiful memories help fill the void in your heart and give you some measure of comfort. I share in your loss. "Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal."*

**Beatrice Squire** - April 01, 2023 at 06:49 PM

DW

*My Condolences to the Minor family. Tim was my classmate at Highland Springs H.S and also a member of the Semi-Pro Team I was involved with. Tim was always a pleasure to be around and had such a beautiful smile. May he rest in peace in our Heavenly Father's arms. Wishing the Minor Family much strength in the day, weeks and years to come.*

*Deborah Hewlett Williams*

**Deborah Hewlett Williams** - April 16, 2023 at 09:30 PM