

Order of Service

MUSICAL PRELUDE

PROCESSIONAL

Clergy and Family

READING OF THE SCRIPTURES

Old Testament: Psalm 23

New Testament: 2nd Timothy 4:6-8

PRAYER OF COMFORT

Dr. Wesley Pinnock

SELECTION

"His Eye is on the Sparrow"

Alondaze Ray

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

REFLECTIONS (2 mins.)

READING OF THE OBITUARY

SELECTION

"Going Up Yonder"

Lereese Davis –Colley

EULOGY

Dr. Wesley Pinnock

BENEDICTION

Dr. Wesley Pinnock

RECESSIONAL

Clergy and Family

BURIAL

Tuesday, November 21, 2023

WASHINGTON CROSSING NATIONAL CEMETERY

830 Highland Road

Newtown, PA 18940-2902

REPAST

SHADE-VALENTINE AMERICAN LEGION

POST 336

449 Linden Avenue

Burlington City, NJ 08016

ETERNITY' HAND

His life was carved by eternity's hand

His whole life he took a righteous stance

Not bowing down to man's demands

He lived by principles, not luck or chance

Held firmly to his God, fulfilled his time

Meek of spirit, strong of mind

A testament to all he left behind

-author Malik Charles

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Our family would like to take this opportunity to extend our sincere appreciation for the many kind expressions of sympathy, words of comfort and prayers extended during our time of bereavement. May God forever bless and keep each one of you in His tender, loving care.

PALLBEARERS

Family & Friends



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REMEMBERING

Thomas
ELISHA STERLING



Sunrise
March 17, 1927

Sunset
October 31, 2023

FUNERAL SERVICE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2023

Public Viewing 9:00 AM | Service 10:00 AM

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Thomas' Story

Thomas Elisha Sterling was born on March 17, 1927, in Chrisfield, Maryland to Addie Anderson and William Sterling. He was the 5th of 6 children. He was educated in the Chrisfield school system and graduated from Chrisfield High School.

After high school, Thomas enlisted in the U.S. Army where he served in Germany during World War II. This is where he helped to liberate a group of Jewish citizens in Dachau. After being honorably discharged Thomas returned to Chrisfield where he obtained a job as a presser. He later met and married Betty Ann Jones and they relocated to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Thomas continued to work as a presser and a doorman where he provided courtesy and security services. Thomas gave his life to Christ and was baptized at True Light Fellowship Church. He loved the Lord and could always be seen reading his bible. He was a Philadelphia fan of the Phillies and the Eagles. Thomas was a devoted and caring husband and father. He worked hard for his family, making sure they were well provided for. He was known to be very quiet but could always make you laugh. He enjoyed traveling, he had visited Europe, the West Indies, and locations throughout the U.S.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Ann Jones, his children, Doreatha, Wanda, Thomas Jr., Miki, Gwen, Gina, Bonita, Marcy, Darryl, Thacher, and Dino, his brothers William Jr., Kenneth and Morris, his sisters Bernice and Harriett, 24 grandchildren, 48 great-grandchildren, and 10 great-great grandchildren. Please remember our father as a quiet shining star that left us with love and memories to pass down to our five generations. He touched the hearts of everyone he encountered with his kindness and unwavering dedication to his loved ones.

