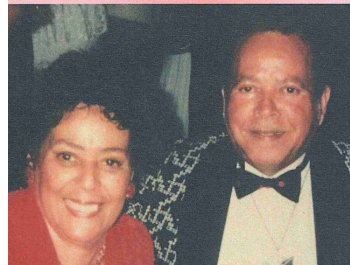




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 The Falcons ~ The Guardsmen ~ Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Active Pallbearers
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 Malcolm Thomas, III
 Alphonso Mendoza
 Darrell Thomas
 Lateef Thomas
 Alonzo M. Alston

Acknowledgement
 The family extends its sincere gratitude for the many acts of kindness and expressions of sympathy. May the Lord Bless You and Keep You All.



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*Life Is But A Stopping Place
 Life is but a stopping place,
 A pause in what's to be,
 A resting place along the road,
 to sweet eternity.
 We all have different journeys,
 Different paths along the way,
 We all were meant to learn some things,
 but never meant to stay...
 Our destination is a place,
 Far greater than we know.
 For some the journey's quicker,
 For some the journey's slow.
 And when the journey finally ends,
 We'll claim a great reward,
 And find an everlasting peace,
 Together with the lord
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Celebration of Life for
Mr. Malcolm G. Thomas, Sr.

Graveside Service
Saturday, September 26, 2020
10:00 AM
Catholic Cemetery
Wheaton Street
Savannah, GA 31404
Father Robert Chaney
Celebrant

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Obituary

Malcolm Gilbert Thomas passed away at home on Tuesday September 22, 2020. He was born July 18, 1925 - the eighth child of the late Sherry Haywood Thomas and Minnie Lee Thomas. His brothers, and sister, were Bessie Hooks (deceased), Curtis Thomas (deceased), Wendell "Ten" Thomas (deceased), Eva Thomas (deceased), Erby "Peanut" Thomas (deceased), Mildred Thomas (deceased), Daughtry Lee Thomas (deceased). He attended elementary and high school in Baxley, GA (Appling County). In 1943-44, Malcolm served his country in the US Navy during WWII. Upon leaving the Navy, he received a baccalaureate degree in social sciences (1949) from Georgia State College (now Savannah State University), and a master's degree with a concentration in social science/education administration from Columbia University in New York.

Malcolm married Vera Louise Orr (deceased), a native of Savannah, Georgia, on August 20, 1949 at St. Mary's Catholic Church with Father Bartholomew Kohane officiating. To this union - three sons were born - Malcolm, Jr., Michael, and Mark.

His professional educational career began as a principal at Springfield Terrace Elementary School in Savannah. From there, he was principal at East Broad Elementary, Cuyler Jr. High, and after 35 years in education, he retired as principal of Scott Jr. High in 1983. That same year his beloved wife retired from teaching at L. S. Shuman Middle School, and they determined to enjoy the rest of their lives together.

Family was the joy of Malcolm's life as he enjoyed his sons, their wives, and his grandchildren. He was very devoted to his grandchildren-Monique, Malcolm III; Michael, Jr., (Clare); Gunnery Sergeant Lateef (Joanna), and Inayah. He found great delight in family parties, celebrations and was always the first to get on the dance floor. He took his grandchildren on amazing vacations throughout the United States from Disney World to Hawaii. He continued this devotion and loving care with his great granddaughters - Madelyn, Giovanna, Kennedy, Luna and Layla.

He was a great friend to many and included them lovingly in

family oriented bar-b-ques, low country boils, and theme parties. He was involved in many organizations at Georgia State College to include Veteran's Club and the Georgia State College marching band (President). He was a member of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.; the Falcons Social Club and he treasured his membership/brotherhood in the Savannah Chapter of the National Guardsmen Association.

He leaves to cherish in his precious memory- his sons - Malcolm, Jr. (Valerie) of Savannah; Michael, Sr. (Aretta) of Texas; Mark of Savannah; his sister-in-law Natividad Orr of Bluffton, SC; Nancy Chan of Washington DC; his goddaughter Andrea Orr (James) of Washington DC; and a host of grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.



Order of Graveside Service

Opening Prayer ~ Father Robert E. Chaney

Hymn: Solo ~ Patrice White, Choir Directress

Scripture Reading ~ Inayah Thomas

Gospel ~ Robert Chaney

Family ~ Malcolm G. Thomas, III

Rite of Committal ~ Father Robert E. Chaney

Remarks

Senator Lester Jackson, III, DDS ~ Savannah Falcons Club

Superintendent Ann Levett, Ed.D. ~ SCCPSS

Former Superintendent Virginia Edwards Maynor ~ SCCPSS

Family ~ Bernadette Ball-Oliver, Associate Superintendent of Secondary Schools, SCCPSS

Michael A. Kaigler ~ Vice President Savannah Chapter, National Association of Guardsmen

Vanessa Miller Kaigler ~ SCCPSS Deputy Superintendent Chief Operations Officer

Family ~ Solomon Myers, III, President, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Beta Phi Lambda Chapter

Closing Prayer ~ Father Robert E. Chaney

Service of Committal, Interment
Catholic Cemetery