

# FOND MEMORIES



## FLOWER ATTENDANTS

Family & Friends

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Thank you for being with us in our time of sorrow and sharing in our prayers today and tomorrow. God gives us comfort in the form of family and friends. May His peace be with you and may his love never end.

THE MCKENZIE FAMILY

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## INTERMENT

Willow Lake Memorial Gardens

1854 Willow Lake Road

Fort Valley, Georgia 31030

## REPAST

Camp John Hope FFA-CCLA Center

281 Hope Entrance Road

Fort Valley, GA 31030

*Remembering Our Love*

*for*

**THOMAS J. MCKENZIE**

SUNRISE  
June 05, 1940

SUNSET  
July 25, 2023



**Saturday, August 5, 2023**

**12:00 NOON**

Edwards Small Mortuary Chapel  
1011 Martin Luther King, Jr Drive

*Rev. Anthony Davis, Officiating*



## REMEMBERING THOMAS

**Thomas J. McKenzie** was born in Byromville, Georgia on June 5, 1940. He transitioned to eternal rest on July 25, 2023.

Thomas attended Dooly County School System during his formative years. Later, as he matured, he realized he needed to better prepare himself for the world of work, so decided to return to school and he earned a GED. After earning his GED he pursued a career as a Professional Truck Driver. He enjoyed driving so he chose to make a career out of something he enjoyed doing. He drove his white 18 wheel truck for many years.

He married Mary L. McKenzie (Harris) at a young age. To this union five children were born. Sadly, he became a widower in November 1974.

Thomas was a joy to be around! He could always think of something to say that would make you laugh. Besides making people laugh, his other passion was working on cars he seemed so content when he was tinkering on anything that had a motor. Although he enjoyed fixing cars, he also had a knack for fixing things. His favorite sweet treat was eating candy orange slices and peanut clusters. If anyone he knew was not having a good day, you could bet that Thomas would find a way to you laugh.

Thomas was preceded in death by his parents, his wife and brother, Ulysses McKenzie.

Those left to cherish his precious memories are his children: Cynthia T. Clarke (David), Thomas James McKenzie, Jr (Marcia), Alvin Leon McKenzie (Arline), Carey F. McKenzie (Rashelle), Sherondia P. McKenzie Elliott; his siblings: Ann Williams, William McKenzie, Emma Burt (Ray), Major McKenzie, Sam McKenzie, Arthur McKenzie, Claude McKenzie (Marcela), Minnie Turnipseed, Paul McKenzie, Karon McKenzie, Silas McKenzie; sisters-in-law, Myrtis V. Patterson and Annie Williamson; fourteen grandchildren, many great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and many other sorrowing relatives and friends.

Family  
→ is a gift →  
That Lasts  
→ forever →



## ORDER OF SERVICE

### PROCESSIONAL

### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old & New Testament  
&

### PRAYER OF COMFORT

Pastor Colby McKenzie

### SELECTION

Minister Dexter Davis

### INTRODUCTION TO THE LIFE OF THOMAS

Sherondia P. McKenzie-Elliott, Daughter

### EULOGY

Rev. Anthony Davis

### SELECTION

Minister Dexter Davis

### CLOSING REMARKS

Rev. Anthony Davis

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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### RECESSIONAL