



Donnie Garner, Sr.

April 5, 1956 - January 4, 2023

Donnie Lee Garner, Sr., 66, of Chattanooga, passed away Wednesday, January 4, 2023, in the Hospice Care Center. He was a 1974 graduate of Howard High School. Donnie was a member of Beulah Baptist Church. He retired from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. Donnie was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Mary Lou Garner; daughters, Desiree Garner and Destiny Garner Goines; and sister, Brenda Garner Smith. Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Carrell Careathers Garner; sons, Rodrick Lovelace of Chattanooga and Donnie Lee Garner, Jr. of San Diego, CA; 12 grandchildren, 1 great-grandchild; brothers, Harold Phillips of Decatur, GA, Freddie Garner, James Garner, Frank Garner, Cedrick Garner, Jeffrey Garner all of Chattanooga, and Reginald Garner of Nashville, TN; sisters, Joyce McClain, Betty Edwards, both of Detroit, MI, and Tonya Williams of Charlotte, NC; brothers-in-law, Marcel Williams of Charlotte and Will Careathers of Chattanooga; sisters-in-law, Mary Phillips, Ganeva Garner, Annie Garner, Deborah, Garner, Jennifer Garner, and Satania Garner; special friends, Musa Danfolio, Toney Watson, Jones and Pierce families, and the Park City Community; a host of nieces; nephews; cousins; other relatives; and friends. Pastor Marva Favors will serve as eulogist.

Directions to Live Stream: 1. Go to Your Facebook Page 2. Type: [taylorfuneralhomeofchattanooga](#)
3. Click 'Like' or 'Thumbs Up' 4. Scroll down to view the service.

Previous Events

Lie-In-State

JAN 15. 10:00 AM (ET)

Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc
3417 Wilcox Boulevard
Chattanooga, TN 37411

Service

JAN 15. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *FuneralService-DonnieGarnerSr*



Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc. - January 16, 2023 at 09:51 AM

BD

“ *Brigitte Alexander Rest in his heavenly arms
you was always apart of the Alexander family*



Brigitte Daniels - January 14, 2023 at 11:25 PM

DD

“ *Denise Deere lit a candle in memory of
Donnie Garner, Sr.*



Denise Deere - January 14, 2023 at 01:07 PM

PF

“ *Patricia Ball And Family lit a candle in
memory of Donnie Garner, Sr.*



Patricia Ball and family - January 14, 2023 at 10:27 AM

SW

“ Sending condolences on behalf of our Brainerd High Class of '74 classmate Carrell Careathers Garner, May the Lord send His Comforter to wipe every tear, great is His faithfulness, please know you have our prayers in this time of bereavement. Hold to God's unchanging hand.

Patricia Shackleford Gray
Sharon Hester Winston
Karen Smith Patterson
Dena Martin
Certainly many others

Sharon H. Winston - January 14, 2023 at 08:47 AM

LR

“ Lera Richmond lit a candle in memory of Donnie Garner, Sr.



Lera Richmond - January 14, 2023 at 02:10 AM

PD

“ Patricia D (Lofton) Dennis lit a candle in memory of Donnie Garner, Sr.



Patricia D (Lofton) Dennis - January 13, 2023 at 07:03 PM

JB

“ *Jamie Baker lit a candle in memory of Donnie Garner, Sr.*



Jamie Baker - January 12, 2023 at 08:49 PM

JG

“ *Sending My Condolences to Carol and family
My heart goes out to you and your family
doing these times of sorrow
May God give you comfort and strength*



Jennifer Greenhill - January 12, 2023 at 07:37 PM

DR

“ *Sending Condolences To The Family
Absent from the body, Is Present with Our
Father.
Ms. Helen, Pep, Gerald, & Sam
Praying For God To Keep The Family
Wrapped In His Loving Arms.... AAAMEN!*



Doris Readus - January 12, 2023 at 02:27 PM

CF

“ *Careathers Family lit a candle in memory of
Donnie Garner, Sr.*



Careathers Family - January 12, 2023 at 01:26 PM

GM

“ Prayers and condolences to the family.



Glenda and Ben Morgan - January 12, 2023 at 12:10 PM

LB

“ Donnie was a great uncle to my Jaison. Thanks, your heart was honest. Sending condolences to your family.



Laquata Renea Bush - January 10, 2023 at 07:09 PM

TI

“ Betty, thinking of you and your entire family today. I remember Donnie so well because of his smile. Praying for your peace, strength and comfort. Sincerely, Trevor Hamilton Ingram

Trevor Hamilton Ingram - January 10, 2023 at 12:27 AM

TI

“ Trevor Hamilton Ingram lit a candle in memory of Donnie Garner, Sr.



Trevor Hamilton Ingram - January 10, 2023 at 12:19 AM

H1

“ To our dear class member Betty Phillips Garner Edwards, Howard Class of 1970 sends our sincerest condolences and prayers to you and your family.



Howard Class 1970 - January 09, 2023 at 11:18 AM

JW

“ I was glad to see Carol and Donnie at our class reunion 16 years ago. He informed me that William Johnson decided to by. I was happy to see William. Had Donnie not told me I probably would not have recognized William. Then at Gregs birthday party I saw him and Carol again. They then informed me their son was stationed in the Navy here in VA. My prayers are with the families Carol, The Garners and the Goines.



Jacqueline Jones Wood - January 09, 2023 at 03:19 AM



“ Donnie me you and William shared a lot of life together when we were young. William J Davenport was where we forged our band of brotherhood which was never broken . Brother I pray now that you RIH and that someday we'll see each other again.



Tony Ratliff - January 08, 2023 at 08:25 PM

MG

I remember playing basketball with Donnie at salvation ARMY ON 28TH STREET VERY GOOD FREND

Mike Greer - January 12, 2023 at 06:23 AM

WB

“ *Wava Brooks lit a candle in memory of Donnie Garner, Sr.* ”



Wava Brooks - January 08, 2023 at 06:01 PM



“ *Tony Ratliff lit a candle in memory of Donnie Garner, Sr.* ”



Tony Ratliff - January 08, 2023 at 02:32 PM

HF

“ *Harrison Family lit a candle in memory of Donnie Garner, Sr.* ”



Harrison Family - January 06, 2023 at 07:52 PM

KA

“ *Katrina Alexander lit a candle in memory of Donnie Garner, Sr.* ”



Katrina Alexander - January 06, 2023 at 01:56 PM

KB

“ My God Father was one in a million, it will always be in my heart I made him old... First born 🥹💔 RIP with both you girls see you all when I get there



Keyche Annette Benford - January 06, 2023 at 12:38 PM

PS

“ Paul Schreane lit a candle in memory of Donnie Garner, Sr.



Paul Schreane - January 06, 2023 at 12:13 PM

PS

RIP! My brother! 🙏🎩

Paul Schreane - January 06, 2023 at 12:15 PM

JA

“ Janice Sledge HHS c/o 1971



Janice - January 06, 2023 at 11:06 AM



“ *Brenda Drake lit a candle in memory of Donnie Garner, Sr.* ”



Brenda Drake - January 05, 2023 at 09:16 PM