



Norman Ponder

January 9, 1963 - February 7, 2025

Norman Ponder was born January 9, 1963 in Chattanooga, Tennessee to the Union of John William Ponder, Jr. and Lurlene Lloyd Ponder. Norman grew up in the Alton Park community and was loved by so many friends and relatives. He graduated from Kirkman Technical High School, class of 1981, where he excelled in sheet metal vocational class. Norman represented Kirkman three years in the State VICA competition for sheet metal. He joined the Air Force in 1982 to 1986, Norman was employed at Northrop Grumman from 1986 to 1997, during his employment he worked on the B-2 Stealth Bomber. Norman was also employed at Komatsu Dresser and ADM in Chattanooga. Among those that preceded him in death includes his father, John William Ponder, Jr., mother, Lurlene Lloyd Ponder; brother, John William Ponder, III, Vernon L. Ponder; sisters, Angela D. Ponder, and Debra Ponder-Edwards; grandmothers, Ida B. Winston and Dollie Lloyd; uncles, Charles (Thelma) Winston, James (Florenza) Edward Ponder, Robert Lloyd, and William Lloyd; aunt, Mary Lloyd; cousins, Paul Winston and Olivia Winston, a host of other cousins, nephews, nieces, and other relatives. On February 7, 2025, Norman passed away at the age of 62, at his residence. Cherishing his memories include Felicia Ponder of 13 years of marriage; sons, Raynal Ponder, and Darion Ponder; grandchildren, Tahlaya Ponder, Shai Ponder, Tarrell Raynal Ponder, Aleena Ponder; brothers, Larry Ponder and Richard Ponder; nephews, Sean Ponder, Jeremy Ponder, Vernon Ponder, Myron Johnson, Lloyd Vernon Ponder, Calvin Bolden, Gerald Edwards; nieces, Toya Ponder,

Cydney Ponder, Ashleigh Ponder, Erica Edwards LaFaye, Nicole Chimere Mooring, Latrece Jones, and Shamica Jones; a host of other relatives and friends. He will lie-in-state on Friday, March 7, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. at Taylor Funeral Home. Funeral service will follow at 12:00 noon in the chapel with Pastor Lebron Hawkins as the eulogist. Burial in Chattanooga National Cemetery.

DIRECTIONS FOR LIVE STREAM: Click on the link below to view the service.

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Previous Events

Lie-In-State

MAR 7. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

MAR 7. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

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Burial

MAR 7. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Chattanooga National Cemetery
1200 Bailey Ave
Chattanooga, TN 37404

Tribute Wall



“ *Had to find out the hard way that you past...*

Wesley Grady - December 02, 2025 at 11:04 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Cemetery Service-Norman Ponder*



Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc. - March 15, 2025 at 07:50 PM

VC

Peace And love family my little cousin is at rest. Always Love and Remembered

Vivian Carter-Evans - April 08, 2025 at 12:51 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Funeral Service Camera2-Norman Ponder*



Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc. - March 15, 2025 at 07:50 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Funeral Service Camera1-Norman Ponder



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RT

“ I would like to take this moment out to send my condolence and prayers to the Ponder family may God continue to strengthen you in your time of bereavement another friend of mine grew up with in the Piney wood area rest in peace Norman



Randy E Toney - March 06, 2025 at 11:38 PM

RM

“ Rest in. Paradise Classmate and Condolences to the Family



Randolph Malone - March 05, 2025 at 06:41 PM

CW

“ Connie Williamson lit a candle in memory of Norman Ponder



connie williamson - March 03, 2025 at 06:33 AM

MS

“ *My condolences to the family*



Marcia Smith - February 23, 2025 at 05:17 AM

TG

“ *Teresa (Teri) Gordon lit a candle in memory of Norman Ponder*



Teresa (Teri) Gordon - February 22, 2025 at 11:07 PM

GM

“ *My heart goes out to you and your family for the loss of your loved one. I know how much the loss of a family member means to a family. I will keep you all in my prayers. May many memories of happiness give you all the peace and comfort you need during this most challenging time. May he rest in eternal peace. Please accept my sincere condolences.*



Gracelia Moore - February 18, 2025 at 10:56 PM

DH

“ *RIP Norman and my condolences to the Ponder family.*

Don Hunt - February 18, 2025 at 08:40 AM



“ *Renee Jackson sent a virtual gift in memory of Norman Ponder*



Renee Jackson - February 16, 2025 at 05:13 PM

DJ

“ *To the Ponder's family, know that God is an ever present help in the time of need. May God comfort your hearts!*
Deborah Morgan Johnson



Deborah Johnson - February 16, 2025 at 04:42 PM

AC

“ *Aqua Collins lit a candle in memory of Norman Ponder*



Aqua Collins - February 16, 2025 at 04:27 PM

FP

“ 5 files added to the album photos



Felicia Ponder - February 14, 2025 at 07:21 PM



My man. Sleep in peace...

Wesley Grady - December 02, 2025 at 11:03 PM

JB

“ Praying for the Ponder Family

Judy Morgan Beeman - February 13, 2025 at 10:01 PM

MS

“ My condolences to the Ponder family!



Marcia Smith - February 10, 2025 at 12:59 PM



“ *Sending my condolences to the family he will be missed* ”



Renee Jackson - February 09, 2025 at 11:33 PM



“ *I'm being knowing Norman for years I was with his brother and had on little girl she gone and he's going to what I will miss you Norman praying for the family Larry and the others may God give you peace at this time I'm so sorry for your loss* ”



Ivy Powell - February 09, 2025 at 02:19 PM



My condolences to the Ponder family may you REST IN PEACE NORMAN!!!

Valarie Johnson - February 16, 2025 at 12:56 AM