



Norman Harold Thomas Sr

July 27, 1943 - February 19, 2023

Dr. Norman H. Thomas, Sr. departed this earthly life and went to his heavenly home on Sunday, February 19, 2023. He was born to the late Rudolph Thomas and Vivian Taylor Thomas on July 27, 1943, in Waycross, Georgia. He met and married the love of his life, Inez Davis Thomas, on November 1, 1968. To this union that spanned 54 years, two children were born: Angela and Norman, Jr.

Dr. Thomas was a graduate of Morehouse College, from which he received the B.A. Degree in History in 1965. In 1968 and 1976, respectively, he received the M.A. and Ed.D. degrees in Educational Administration and Supervision from Atlanta University. In the early stages of his career, he taught Social Studies in the Atlanta Public School System. He moved up through the ranks to become Curriculum Coordinator, Director of Community Outreach and Executive Director of School Services which included nutrition, transportation and safety. After more than 37 stellar years of service, he retired from the Atlanta Public Schools in 2004.

Dr. Thomas was the former Vice President for Education of the National PTA. He was also the first African American President of the Georgia PTA and the first man in the history of the National PTA to be elected as chairman of the State Presidents' Conference. He served as chairman of the Big City Conference, a member of the National PTA Commission on Education and the

Communications Committee. He was awarded an Honorary Life Membership by the Georgia PTA in 1978 and a National Life Membership in 1987. He also received Honorary Life Memberships from 15 other states. He had over 30 years of PTA experience and, during his tenure as State President, the Georgia PTA membership increased to over 300,000 members for the first time in its history. In 1989, the Atlanta Council of PTA's honored Dr. Thomas by establishing The Norman H. Thomas Scholarship for deserving graduating seniors in the Atlanta Public Schools.

Dr. Thomas was the Author of Stress Management - A Family Affair and was a stress management consultant. He provided stress management guidance to such groups as the Georgia State Patrols; AT&T; National Health Service Corps; National Pupil Transportation Association; National Mortgage Bankers Association; Georgia Department of Corrections; Metro-Atlanta Law Enforcement Officers; Atlanta Public Schools; Cobb, Rockdale and Glynn County Public Schools' Bus Drivers and Administrators and the Georgia PTA Leadership Development Conference.

Professional, educational, civic and social memberships included the American Association of School Administrators, National Alliance of Black School Educators (NABSE), Morehouse College Alumni Association, Phi Delta Kappa, the NAACP, Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. He was given the Scholar of the Year Award by Omega Psi Phi Fraternity in 1965, and the Atlanta Jaycees named him one of Five Outstanding Young Men of Atlanta in 1977. He received the Meritorious Service Award from the American Heart Association in 1978 and the "1988 Delta Torch Award in Education" from Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. of Atlanta, Georgia. He also received the Outstanding Educator of the Year and Citizen of the Year awards from two different Metro Atlanta graduate chapters (Atlanta and Decatur) of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. in 1987. He received over 300 plaques and other expressions of recognition.

A true servant of God, Dr. Thomas was active at the Greater Travelers' Rest Baptist Church for over 20 years where he served as Chairman of the Deacons' Ministry and was chosen "Father of the Year" in 1989. In 2011, he joined First Baptist Church on Gresham Road in Atlanta where Rev, Norman Thomas, Jr. is the pastor. He served with the Deacons' Ministry and was responsible for training candidates for that ministry. He also taught New Member Orientation,

Brotherhood and Deacons' ministry classes. He loved the Lord and shared his love with people from all walks of life. A favorite expression of his was telling everyone that he met to "Live in your sunshine!" He did just that until God called him home early on Sunday morning, February 19, 2023.

Dr. Thomas is survived by his loving wife, Inez Davis Thomas; a daughter, Angela Thomas Bethea (James) of Stone Mountain, Georgia; a son, Rev. Norman Thomas, Jr. (Rondah) of Conyers, Georgia; six grandchildren: Lauren, Norman III, Lindsay, and Londyn Thomas; and James and Erin Bethea; one brother, CSM (retired) Franklin Delano Thomas (Patricia) of Conyers, Georgia; a special sister, Karen Baily of Lithonia, Georgia; numerous nieces and nephews, cousins, godchildren, unofficially adopted children and mentees. He was preceded in death by his parents, Rudolph Thomas, Sr. and Vivian Taylor Thomas; and two brothers, Rudolph, Jr. and Jasper Thomas. Sadly, his sister, Valencia Solomon, of Waycross, Georgia, was called home to be with the Lord on Wednesday, February 22, 2023.

Because of his enormous influence and the number of people impacted by his life and service, he leaves many extended family members, church members, and friends who mourn his passing. But they are all comforted in knowing that Dr. Thomas (Norman, Unc, Chip, Papa T., Pop Pop) has moved to his eternal

home and that he has left a legacy of wisdom, love, service, and leadership to all whose lives have been touched by this Giant of a Man. To GOD be the glory; great things He has done!!

Previous Events

Public Viewing

FEB **26**. 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory
4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy
Decatur, GA 30034
(404) 241-5656

Celebration of Life

FEB **27**. 1:00 PM (ET)

New Life Baptist Church
3592 Flat Shoals Rd
Decatur, GA 30034

Tribute Wall



“ Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory created a Tribute Video in memory of Norman Harold Thomas Sr



Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory, Inc. - February 27, 2023 at 01:02 PM



“ How I loved his "poster boards" & stories about his "Mustang"... does that let you know the years & the love. Me & my husband will miss him, an important chapter in our lives. He never forgot about us. Amazing how he remembered & included so many in his life. He will always be loved...

Brookins & Paul Moore - May 08, 2023 at 09:12 PM



“ Gone too soon, but what an imprint you left on our hearts. This photo is from the funeral of Curtis Thomas.

Love,

Ida Rose Thomas



Ida Thomas - February 27, 2023 at 09:42 PM

JM

“ I have always been very fond of Dr. Thomas. I respected him as an educator and appreciated his support during the time I taught his son in kindergarten. I watched the beautiful service on line and was so proud of the amazing job Norman Jr. did in eulogizing his father. My prayers are with the family.



Janice Milner - February 27, 2023 at 03:26 PM

AH

I had the privilege of working with Dr. Thomas when I was State Director of School and Community Nutrition in the GA Dept. of Education. He was a wise and supportive man... an esteemed professional. He leaves his legacy through all he touched. Annette Bomar Hopgood, Atlanta/Blairsville GA

Annette Bomar Hopgood - March 02, 2023 at 08:52 PM

AS

“ WELL DONE MY BROTHER, R.E.P.

Andrew O Scott - February 27, 2023 at 03:18 PM

SW

“ Deepest Condolences to the Family Dr, Norman Thomas one of my best teachers at Luther Judson Price High School he was indeed a great teacher Social Studies Sending Healing PRAYERS to all Sherri Worthy class "1972"



sherri leevetti worthy - February 27, 2023 at 12:58 PM

EL

*Our deepest condolences to the Thomas family. Dr Norman Thomas Sr. I used to love being a First Baptist Church on Sunday because I love to see Dr.Thomas Sr. praise God .
Mr& Mrs William (Elaine) Lindsey . We're praying that each and everyone of the Thomas family God give y'all the strength . Keep y'all hands in God hands. We love y'all.*

Elaine Lindsey - February 27, 2023 at 01:39 PM

AA

“ Keeping you and your family in my thoughts and prayers. Even though there is joy in the homegoing, there is sorrow in your loss. Wishing you and yours peace, comfort, courage, and lots of love at this time of sorrow.

Anne Williams Aplin - February 27, 2023 at 12:32 PM

PC

“ What a man, what a man, what a mighty good man!!! Dr. Norman Thomas was such an inspiration to me when I was a young mother and president of the elementary school PTA. He made me feel like I was doing the greatest service to our school by supporting the PTA, and he was right!!! Always a big smile, and an encouraging word from him would make our day. He is a true man of God. Dr. Thomas, God has kept his promise and you shall now rest at his feet in eternity. Love always Keith & Pam Harris Clayton

Pamela Clayton - February 27, 2023 at 11:54 AM

FE

“ Morehouse'65

FREDERICK ESPY - February 27, 2023 at 11:01 AM

RL

“ *“Live in Your Sunshine.” Daddy Thomas added his sunshine to everyone he met. Sending prayers of comfort and deep peace be still to the Thomas Family.*

Reginald & Cindy Lucas - February 27, 2023 at 10:08 AM

DJ

“ *Norman(Chip), walk gently into the sweet sunshine of a life well lived! As your dust returns to the ground, your spirit rises to return to your creator. Memories of you remind us that your signature smile of goodness and love truly exemplified Ecclesiastes 4:9-12...We love you!
The D. Cooper Family*

Davis A Cooper Jr - February 27, 2023 at 12:12 AM

MB

“ *Dr. Thomas,*

We appreciate you, we love you, and we thank God for you. Rest in peace

my bother. We will see you on the other side.

Mr. Marion A Black

Price High School

Marion A Black - February 26, 2023 at 07:42 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Norman Harold Thomas Sr.*



February 26, 2023 at 05:13 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Norman Harold Thomas Sr.*



February 26, 2023 at 03:39 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Norman Harold Thomas Sr.*



February 26, 2023 at 03:14 PM



“ *Cousin Norman always had a bright and welcoming smile to all who came in contact with him, especially his family. He always had a positive and encouraging word. A true man of God. We will truly miss him. Our heartfelt condolences to the family. Keeping you in our prayers. Bernice Gass Eley and family.*

Bernice Gass Eley - February 26, 2023 at 02:47 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Norman Harold Thomas Sr.*



February 26, 2023 at 11:25 AM

AH

“ Always smiling, always encouraging, and always willing to help. Well Done! He will truly be missed. Condolences to the family.



Apryl Harris - February 26, 2023 at 08:46 AM

SS

“ A life well lived. Rest in peace.



Shirley Shivers - February 26, 2023 at 07:51 AM

DM

Norman added his Sunshine to everyone he met. From his heavenly home he will not only live in his sunshine but spread it from on high all over the world. He made a positive difference and will be missed. My condolences to the family and to all who mourns his loss. 🙏❤️
Thelma Mumford-Glover

Dr. Thelma Mumford-Glover - February 27, 2023 at 09:52 AM

LB

“ Our heartfelt sympathy to the family of Norman Thomas. He truly was a servant of the Lord and will be missed by many. May the precious memories of him be the ones to linger in your hearts. The Lord will stren

Lula and Jerome Bullard - February 26, 2023 at 03:35 AM

WH

“ Growing up in Waycross, Georgia we had many role models. At the top of the list were our teachers. Teachers who inspired and motivated us to rise above our personal circumstances to reach out teach and inspire others. It is not surprising that my friend, homeboy, and Morehouse brother Dr Norman "Chip" Thomas would someday excel in that role. Morehouse College motto is " Et Facta Est Lux " (And there was light) also was a contributor to the spirit Chip exemplified with Live In Your Sunshine . Farewell my brother.

William Henderson - February 25, 2023 at 11:20 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Norman Harold Thomas Sr.



February 25, 2023 at 10:55 PM

DJ

“ Fare thee well, Bro. Dr. Thomas. My admiration and my appreciation remain.

Dea. Bobby L. Fuse, Jr. - February 25, 2023 at 09:01 PM

DR

“ "A LEADER IS ONE WHO KNOWS THE WAY, GOES THE WAY AND SHOWS THE WAY." JOHN C. MAXWELL Dr. Thomas, Thank you for your positive and productive leadership!!!! A life well lived my Morehouse brother and to God be the Glory!!!
Dr. Teresa Reese, Former APS Colleague

Dr. Teresa Reese - February 25, 2023 at 04:11 PM

YY

“ Dr. Thomas was just a wonderful man to speak with regarding any educational issue in Atlanta and Dekalb. I recall meeting him at the first National PTA Conference I attended in downtown Atlanta many years ago as a new parent in Dekalb County schools. Many folks were eager to introduce him and he was gracious enough to respond with a smile, kindness, very polite and unassuming. I was interested in his courage, wisdom & strength to nominate himself from the floor for Georgia/National PTA President in midst of majority of folks not people of color and he won. (if memory serves me correct) This was such an awesome event for me as young PTA Conference attendee and parent. Whenever, I saw him he always greeted you with a welcome friendly smile. At the time, I believed he should move from Atlanta Schools to assist other Georgia school systems in becoming greater educators for our children. He was such an inspiration on any issues regarding our school children and having the best for our staff, teachers, students, parents and our communities he served and lived in. He will be missed, and we thank GOD and his family for sharing him with us for a longtime. His spirit and having met him will be part of me forever. May GOD's blessings be with the family always. Thank you for sharing Dr, Thomas, Sr.



Yvonne Young - February 25, 2023 at 03:35 PM

CL

We really enjoyed those great presentations that you presented at our family reunions. Condolences to the family. Cousin Calvin Lamar and family.

Calvin Lamar - February 25, 2023 at 09:26 PM

DF

“ *Drs Braziel and Mt Zion Church Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Norman Harold Thomas Sr.*



Drs Braziel and Mt Zion Church Family - February 25, 2023 at 01:53 PM

LD

“ *He was always my favorite Uncle. He brought so much joy to our family and always would bring "Sunshine" to our lives. Uncle Chip you will be greatly missed. Thank you for all the love, joy, advice that you gave to me and to Ryan while he was in school in Atlanta. We will see you again on the other side.*



Lynn Davis - February 25, 2023 at 11:47 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Norman Harold Thomas Sr.*



February 25, 2023 at 10:26 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Norman Harold Thomas Sr.*



February 25, 2023 at 10:15 AM

BG

“ *Lives of GREAT Men all remind us,our lives too can be sublime,and in passing leave behind us
Footprints in the sands of time! Dr. Norman left a MIGHTY footprint!
Brendalyn Gardner, Atlanta, Ga*



BRENDALYN GARDNER - February 25, 2023 at 05:53 AM

AC

“ *Sending my sincerest condolences to the Thomas Family. I remember being a little girl and my mom, Martha Hutchins, serving as the PTA president for many years in APS. Dr. Thomas spoke countless times to the parents and students. I remember being so eager to listen and expected to see his trademark posters each time!! What a life well lived! His contributions to education and the community will never be forgotten!*

Apra Caldwell - February 24, 2023 at 02:53 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Norman Harold Thomas Sr.*



February 24, 2023 at 12:53 PM

LF

“ Love your CEA Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Norman Harold Thomas Sr.



Love your CEA Family - February 24, 2023 at 12:12 PM

PE

“ Family 💕 May God comfort you during this difficult time as only HE can and give you courage to face the days ahead, and forever hold loving memories of Dr. Thomas in your heart ❤️ Blessings, pat evers



Pat evers - February 24, 2023 at 11:48 AM

JW

“ So sorry to hear of Chip passing. He was Wesley's best man at our wedding and we were there when you got married. Our oldest daughter Traci is now 51 and her son is also referred to as Chip. Time goes by but I'll always remember Chip's laugh and personality. Sending love and prayers from our family to yours.
Jolita Mitchell Wainwright

Jolita M Wainwright - February 24, 2023 at 10:08 AM

TM

“ Uncle Chip was always a pleasure to see! He was a great all around person who always reminded us to "Live in our ☀️" We loved him dearly & will miss his wonderful personality! 🙏💕

Tobita McKinney - February 24, 2023 at 08:57 AM

SP

“ Sincerely, Mrs. Deirdre "PTA" Pierce purchased the Delightful Dieffenbachia for the family of Norman Harold Thomas Sr.



Sincerely, Mrs. Deirdre "PTA" Pierce - February 24, 2023 at 12:06 AM

AJ

“ To Mrs. Thomas & Family:

I was sad to hear the passing of Dr. Norman Thomas. He WAS my favorite and the most inspirational teacher I ever had. He was smart, funny, and genuinely cared about his students. As my eighth grade Social Studies teacher he encouraged me to always “let my reach exceed my grasp”. He talked about the Civil Rights movement and to the struggles that we were facing in the late 60’s as Black people. Years later, living in Connecticut, I called Dr. Thomas. I had not seen or talked to him in 30 years and asked if he remembered me. He said “ Anthony, of course I remember you”. I told him that I wanted my sons to visit Morehouse College and could he recommend someone there for me to talk to so that I could schedule a tour. He said, “don’t worry, I will personally show your sons the School myself “. He was that kind of man. I am proud to say that both my sons are proud Morehouse Men. Thank-you again, Dr. Thomas. I will always remember you.

Anthony James

Anthony James - February 23, 2023 at 08:46 PM

NS

“ *Nathaniel Smith, Jr & PSE Staff purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Norman Harold Thomas Sr.*



Nathaniel Smith, Jr & PSE Staff - February 23, 2023 at 06:36 PM

TC

“ *Thomas & Karen Cobb purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Norman Harold Thomas Sr.*



Thomas & Karen Cobb - February 23, 2023 at 03:41 PM

AB

“ *Archons of Kappa Boule purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Norman Harold Thomas Sr.*

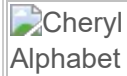


Archons of Kappa Boule - February 23, 2023 at 02:54 PM

LI

“ *Deacon Sunshine ☀️, never will forget his encouragement and wisdom that he shared with me. Continued prayers to his family! God bless. Louis Rollins II*

Louis Rollins II - February 23, 2023 at 02:41 PM



“ *Dr Thomas is my Hero! I thank God for the things he did for people.*

Cheryl Alphabet - February 23, 2023 at 01:11 PM

GG

“ *Dr. Thomas was my tenth-grade history teacher oh so many years ago. Over the years, I have thought of him often, and even tried to emulate his style of teaching in my own classrooms. Not only was Dr. Thomas one of the very best teachers I have ever had, but he was a mentor who truly went the distance. I am so blessed that Dr. Norman Thomas Sr. passed my way. My heartfelt condolences go to the entire Thomas family.*



Glenna J Goings - February 23, 2023 at 12:45 PM

VA

“ *Vawilson sent a virtual gift in memory of Norman Harold Thomas Sr*



Vawilson - February 23, 2023 at 12:31 PM

LD

Dr. Thomas inspired us in the 1990's at A.D. Williams' Elementary in APS. From that point to the present, my students recite DAILY, " Good,Better, Best! I'll NEVER let it rest,until my good is my better and my better is my BEST!" I am so grateful for his dedication to our children. My sincerest condolences are extended to you all. His influence is eternal! 🙏❤️💜❤️🙏

LaRita Dixon - February 23, 2023 at 06:10 PM

ML

“ To Inez and the family. May the joys you knew and the times you shared help comfort you at this sad time. We will miss Doc but our wonderful memories of him will remain in our hearts. He had such a beautiful spirit and we pray that you find peace in knowing that the light of such beautiful spirit lives on.
Mitch & Liz

Mitch & Liz - February 23, 2023 at 12:15 PM

C9

*Dr. Thomas, thank you for your service in PTA.
Condolences and peace to the family.*

Georgia PTA District 9

Cynthia Starke-Jones, Ga PTA District 9 - February 23, 2023 at 03:46 PM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Norman Harold Thomas Sr.*



February 23, 2023 at 09:39 AM

GB

“ Chip and I were Playmates, and I forever will recall how we enjoyed pushing each other around in the toy push-pedal Jeep.



As just one example of how infectious his sense of Good Will was, when he was invited to come out to the Pacific Northwest to “liven-up” the Administrative Staff, a group of Senior Educators tried for months after his Optimistic Presentation speech to apply get him to apply for the Tacoma School District’s Superintendency!

To me, Chip will be always be remembered for being embodiment of our Waycross’ Center High School Class of ‘61’s Motto: “BE THE BEST OF WHATEVER YOU ARE!”



GERALD BURKE

GERALD BURKE - February 22, 2023 at 11:58 PM

WP

“ To The Family Of Dr Norman Thomas. God Be With You. Keep The Faith. God Will Yake Care Of You.From William And Elizabeth Pealer.

William And Elizabeth Pealer - February 22, 2023 at 10:18 PM

BR

“ Dr. Thomas always had an encouraging word to share with everyone he met. His bright smile and thought provoking words helped to inspire so many people, both young & old. We will forever “live in our sunshine” as a tribute to him.

Gregory & Beverly Ramsey

Beverly Ramsey - February 22, 2023 at 07:34 PM

AD

“ Uncle Chip was a shining example of what a strong and faithful man should be. He influenced me in every aspect of my life, and I am truly grateful that our paths connected. Rest well Uncle Chip. I love you and will miss your presence, but I will always honor the lessons and memories that we created. Your wisdom and love will always be reflected in our family. I am so proud to have shared many laughs with you. Well done!!! Now Rest In Peace ❤️❤️❤️.



A. Stan Davis
Greenville, SC

A. Stan Davis - February 22, 2023 at 04:33 PM

LT

“ We are deeply saddened to hear the news of Dr. Thomas' passing. He was truly a gentlemen and a scholar. He always made you feel comfortable and at ease while in his presence. Dr. Thomas is really "living in his sunshine" as he walks the streets of heaven. Our deepest sympathy and condolences go out to the family. He will be missed.

With love and in Peace,
Lovell and Ora Thornton

Lovell & Ora Thornton - February 22, 2023 at 04:11 PM

FS

“ Fred And Jo Ann Smith lit a candle in memory of Norman Harold Thomas Sr



Fred and Jo Ann Smith - February 22, 2023 at 01:54 PM

FS

Norman will be forever remembered as a friend and classmate. We will sincerely miss him. Sincere condolences and prayers to his wife, family and loved ones ❤️🙏

Fred and Jo Ann Smith - February 22, 2023 at 01:55 PM

GR

“*Dr. Thomas was a great encourager. He always reminded you to "keep living in your sunshine." Great man of God. George G. Rutledge*

George G. Rutledge - February 22, 2023 at 09:56 AM

DT

“*Dr. Thomas a great teacher. He motivated students and staff at Price High School. I loved his workshops at all the schools where I worked in APS. His hand on posters and words of encouragement will forever be remembered. He will be truly missed. Condolences and blessings to his family. Dianne Mayfield Tucker. Price alumni.*

Dianne Mayfield Tucker - February 22, 2023 at 08:17 AM

FS

“*Dr. Norman Thomas was my eighth grade social studies teacher at Price High School over fifty years ago. I have always remembered him as one of the best teachers that I have ever had in high school. It may have been his first job right out of Morehouse College. My mother was also a teacher there at the time. My deepest sympathy to his family. He was a great man who made a lasting positive impression on me, and I'm sure many, many more students who had the pleasure of his knowledge, positive demeanor and instruction.*
May he rest in peace for a job well done.
Sincerely,
Franca Elliott Sheehy

Franca Sheehy - February 21, 2023 at 10:13 PM

ED

“ Thank you God, for the life of Dr. Norman Thomas. He touched the hearts, mind, and soul of many by encouraging us to "live in our sunshine!" I pray God's continued blessings upon the family, and know that you have gained a personal angel who will always be with you to ensure you "live in your sunshine!" May God bless and keep you 🙏 ✨ ❤️

Eileen C Durden - February 21, 2023 at 03:48 PM

KC

“ My deepest condolences to the Thomas family. Your legacy will dwell in the hearts of many. I love and appreciate your family.

Kimberly Clark

Kimberly Clark - February 21, 2023 at 11:55 AM

CH

“ Dr. Norman H. Thomas was a very inspirational educator to all whom he encountered. He would always encourage you to do the right thing work tirelessly for our children. As a friend and mentor there was none better. Dr. Thomas was always sought out as a Master of Ceremony because of his command of an audience. As Past President of the Atlanta Association of Educators I would like to thank him for many memories. Be now in your Heavenly Sunshine.

Cyri Hampton
APS RETIRED

Cyril Hampton - February 21, 2023 at 08:45 AM

MI

“ We thank God for an outstanding and wonderful man. A great Center High School Tiger from Waycross, Georgia.

Margaret J Irvin - February 21, 2023 at 08:09 AM