



## Deacon Terry Duren

September 27, 1954 - December 16, 2023

Deacon TERRY DUREN, a beloved husband, father, and friend, life's journey began on September 27, 1954, with his fraternal twin Jerry in Carroll County, MS, to proud parents Jessie Lee and Katie Lee (Haslett) Duren.

He was one of 13 kids. Both parents and five siblings, Jessie James "Jim" Duren, Willie Roy "Nim" Duren, Needom "Ray" Duren, Ira Faye "Chuck" Duren, and Brenda Duren, all preceded him in death.

Terry became a Spring Hill CME Church member in Carrollton, MS, at an early age. He attended Marshall Elementary, and J.Z. George High School in Carrollton, MS, before moving to Chicago, IL, in 1977. He worked for Sears Distribution Center for over ten years.

Terry later worked as a machine operator before returning to MS in 1997. Terry's spiritual journey led him to Bear Marsh Missionary Baptist Church in Carrollton, MS, and East Percy Street Christian Church, where he remained a member until he moved to Atlanta, GA, in 2000. While living in Atlanta, GA, Terry worked for Emory University (2013 - 2015) and South West DeKalb High School (2016 - 2023).

Terry moved his membership to Christ Sanctuary Fellowship Church in 2002,

under the leadership of Bishop Sammy D. Mulkey, where he remained a faithful member until his transition on December 16, 2023. Terry met and married the love of his life, Rosa Nadine Scott, on December 17, 2016.

Terry and Rosa embarked on their tour of the world and went to many places that Terry had only dreamed of. Terry was a hard worker who loved Gardening and a devoted husband who worked hard to provide for his family. On Saturday, December 16, 2023, God called Terry to his heavenly home.

He leaves to cherish loving memories with his wife Rosa; daughter, Joynice (Steven); his son Terry T (Aysia); three grandchildren, Noah Duren, Terri'A Duren and Josiah Duren all of Roselle, IL; two bonus sons, Tavis (Shamica) Jackson, Decatur, GA and Travius (LaTrice) Jackson, Stockbridge, GA; seven grandchildren, Amire Rabon, Jaydan Gatling, Nishon Jackson, Tavis Jr., Taliyah Jackson, Angel Latney and Sydney Jackson, Decatur, GA; three sisters, Missie Marea Wallace, Carrollton, MS; Oleavia Thomas, Greenwood, MS; Martha Ann Nalls, Bellwood, IL; four brothers, Howard Ellis Duren, Willowbrook, IL; Joe Earl Duren, Minneapolis, MN; Jerry (Martha) Duren, McCarley MS; Forrest (Kim) Duren, Chicago, IL; two sisters-in-law, Bobbie Solomon, Decatur, GA; Janice Smith, Lithonia, GA; three brothers-in-law, Harold Scott, Atlanta, GA; Terry (Mildred) Scott, Atlanta, GA; James (Linda) Scott, Atlanta, GA; and a host of nephews, nieces, and cousins, also Spiritual Advisor Bishop Sammy D. Mulkey and his entire church family.

Terry shared an unbreakable bond with his bonus son, Trey, his niece, Quitta, and cousin, Pastor Michael L. Nalls. During his most difficult moments, he enjoyed every moment he spent with them, and they enjoyed him more.

Terry will always be remembered for his unwavering love and for never meeting a stranger.



# Cemetery Details

## Resthaven Cemetery

2284 Candler Rd  
Decatur, Ga

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **28**. 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

South DeKalb Chapel  
4347 Flat Shoals Pkwy.  
Decatur, GA 30034  
(404) 241-5656  
info@levettfuneralhome.com

## Service

DEC **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Christ Sanctuary Fellowship  
1971 Panola Rd  
Lithonia, GA 30058

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Love to all of my family out there and the Duren's to heavenly grandfather that will always be remembered and so will Jesus that's keeping him safe and grandfather Terry keeping us safe in he will always be with us in our ❤️ heart

Terri'A Duren - January 02, 2025 at 01:26 AM

JJ

“ Rest up Uncle My condolences to the family



Jack Hoy Jr - December 28, 2023 at 12:20 PM

VT

“ I love you so much uncle Terry! Thank you so much for everything. You will forever be missed dearly!



Veronica Thomas - December 27, 2023 at 06:41 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Deacon Terry Duren.



December 26, 2023 at 03:41 PM

AK

“ I love you dearly, Uncle Terry. Thank you for everything you’ve done for me throughout the years. Your legacy will live through us all, and you are forever in our hearts.

-Your Blondie, Angel K

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**Angel King** - December 24, 2023 at 02:32 PM

QD

“ Uncle Terry, I will miss you dearly.

Quitta

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**Q. Duren** - December 23, 2023 at 05:48 AM

VM

“ Sending our sincere condolences to the Duren Family. It was a blessing to have known "Uncle Terry". Praying for God's comfort in this great loss. Love, The McCollins Family

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**Vera McCollins** - December 19, 2023 at 06:12 PM

DS

Sending condolences to Deacon Terry Duren on the behavior of the Pastor Elder Rena Baker and the entire East Percy Street Christian Church Disciples vOf Christ Church Family where Deacon Duren service as a member during his stay in Mississippi also we pray for his Sister Mother Wallace our mother of the Church and his niece Sis Romona Wallace and her children and Bro Jarvis Wallace his nephew Praying for God comfort in your loss

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**Deacon Harry Sherrod** - December 21, 2023 at 12:03 PM

JJ

May God be with the family 🙏 Love you Uncle Rest Up until we meet again Outstanding Person Husband Father an roll model What a mighty God we serve Amen peace be still 🙏❤️

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**Jack Hoy Jr** - December 28, 2023 at 12:11 PM

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*God bless the memory of Mr. Terry! He was beloved member of the Southwest Dekalb Family! He was always willing to assist and mention words of encouragement! His sense of humor was refreshing and a welcome addition to our daily work experience. He will be missed.*

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**Dr. Natalie Taylor-Shaw** - December 31, 2023 at 01:52 PM