



Thomas Fearington

May 27, 1949 - March 13, 2023

The Life Journey of

Mr. Thomas Wayne Fearington

Mr. Thomas Wayne Fearington served many life roles and was fondly called “Wayne.” Wayne was born and raised in Durham, North Carolina. He was very proud to call Durham his home of origin. Wayne was the oldest child born to Mr. John Thomas Fearington and Mrs. Annabell Marsh Fearington. He and his two siblings, Marland and Patricia, were raised in a faith-based, caring, supportive, and community-centered household that served as the foundation and driving force of Wayne’s entire life.

Wayne attended Mt. Olive AME Zion Church from his childhood to young adulthood and served as assistant superintendent of the Sunday School in Durham, North Carolina.

Wayne graduated from Merrick Moore High School in 1967. He played football all of his high school years and participated in various other activities.

Wayne attended North Carolina Central University for two years, but then he was drafted into the United States Army during the Vietnam Era.

He was scheduled to be deployed to Vietnam, but his orders were changed (But God!!!). He instead was sent to Italy where he served most of his deployment.

After his time in the military, he returned to North Carolina where he enrolled in Winston-Salem State University and graduated in 1974. He worked very hard in college so that he could graduate along with his sister, Patricia. Wayne

was an Art major and had become quite the artist. He enjoyed painting for years and made beautiful paintings.

Wayne was married to Teresa Hill Fearington, and to this union, three wonderful sons were born, Thomas Wayne Fearington, Jr., Kelvin Romare Fearington, and Christopher Lee Fearington. Later two grandsons were born, Jeremy and John.

In 1976, Wayne moved to Georgia and made it his second home. He attended various AME Churches before making Saint Paul his permanent church home. Wayne loved to sing and became a member of the Senior Choir and the male chorus. He was a trustee. He loved cooking and participated in the Men's Day (Taste of St. Paul).

He was a member of the R.O.M.E.O.'s group (Retired Old Men Eating Out). He truly loved his church, Saint Paul Worship Center, and its members. During his lifetime, Wayne worked for North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) and later for the United States Federal Penitentiary, Atlanta. He retired after 24 years as a case manager. He then worked part-time in the framing department of Hobby Lobby.

Wayne was married to the late Mrs. Tammy Fearington for 19 blessed years and enjoyed a beautiful life together until her death. In July of 2013, Wayne found love again. On October 3, 2015, Stella and Wayne were united in holy matrimony.

Wayne's commitment radiated in every aspect of his life especially to his lovely wife, Stella, of nearly eight years.

Stella and Wayne shared a beautiful relationship with unbelievable memories and experiences. Stella's sons, Shawn and Torri, were truly happy when they were married, and Wayne gained more grandchildren from his union with Stella, Mahogany, Madison, Malaysa, Maximillian, Aarya, and Roman.

Wayne was a die-hard Falcons' fan. He enjoyed all sports, traveling, and especially cruising. He was a comedian, loved to make people laugh.

Wayne was an extraordinarily strong man who never complained, even when

he was seriously ill. Through all of his days of not feeling well, he never missed an opportunity to tell me, "Thank you baby for taking care of me." Wayne served as a role model for how to manage a major and serious medical condition for many years.

Wayne's gentle and supportive demeanor and his infectious smile will be missed by all who knew him.

We all loved him dearly, but God loved him best.

Wayne leaves to embrace and cherish his memories an arsenal of people, to include his loving wife Stella Fearington, his loving parents, Mr. John Thomas Fearington and Mrs. Annabell Fearington; Sons, Thomas Wayne Fearington, Jr. (Felecia), Kelvin Romare Fearington (Carly), Christopher Lee Fearington; Bonus Sons, Shawn Preston (Latosha), Torri Preston; Grandchildren, Jeremy, John; Bonus Grandchildren, Jaylen, Mahogany, Madison, Malaysia, Maximillian, Aarya, Roman, ad a host of aunt, uncles, nieces, nephews and friends.

Livestream: <https://vimeo.com/event/3183159>

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **24**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Celebration of Life

MAR **25**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Saint Philip AME Church
240 Candler Rd SE
Atlanta, GA 30317

Tribute Wall

JL

“ *To Stella and family:
Please accept my heartfelt sympathy in the passing of Wayne
Memories will sustain you and the family for many months and
years
prayers going up for your healing and comfort*

Janyce

JANYCE M LOVELLO - March 26, 2023 at 08:09 PM

MP

“ *Rest In Peace my friend. Deepest sympathy
to Stella & family. Wayne will be missed
however, GOD needed a good man.
Love-Martina Person*



Martina Person - March 25, 2023 at 01:27 PM

TW

“ *To the Fearington Family- We hope beautiful
memories bring you peace during this difficult
time. We're so sorry for your loss.
We're here for you always. Terry- Debra
Weems.*



Terry- Debra Weeme - March 24, 2023 at 07:44 PM

JH

“ We will miss Wayne so much! He was a great neighbor, good friend, and always funny and in good spirits. His quiet and peaceful attitude was always comforting and well received by all that loved him. Rest in Peace, good neighbor!

Joyce and Curtis Halyard - March 24, 2023 at 03:54 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Thomas Fearington.



March 23, 2023 at 06:12 PM

MF

“ Maurice & Michele Marsh & Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Thomas Fearington.



Maurice & Michele Marsh & Family - March 23, 2023 at 05:55 PM

CW

“ CLASS OF 74 WSSU purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Thomas Fearington.



CLASS OF 74 WSSU - March 22, 2023 at 03:44 PM

AF

“ Aunt Marjorie and Darrell and Family purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Thomas Fearington.



Aunt Marjorie and Darrell and Family - March 21, 2023 at 09:02 PM

RL

“ To The Family of Thomas Fearington, May God give you His Strength during this time and always. Only met Thomas for a few years, but he was the kind of person you felt like you had been knowing for a lifetime. His memory and laughter will be cherished and truly missed. Rev. Rudyard Lewis Tulsa Oklahoma

Rev.Rudyard Lewis - March 21, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas Fearington.



March 20, 2023 at 10:21 PM

EG

“ My condolences 🙏 to the Fearington family. Thomas was one of my fellow classmates of Merrick-Moore High Scholl in Durham, NC. We graduated in the year 1967. May God bless and sustain you in your time of bereavement. Keep the faith in Our Lord Jesus Christ. My name is evangelist Cora Greene (classmate).



Evangelist Cora Greene - March 19, 2023 at 10:38 PM