



## Thomas J. Heard

January 24, 1931 - June 8, 2023

Thomas Jefferson Heard was born on January 24, 1931, to the late William Thomas Heard and Frances Blassingame Heard. He was the Patriarch of 5 generations. He was a quiet and gentle man. People shared with us how he made their life richer by just knowing him. He never judged people and was always supportive of family, friends and neighbors. He loved his family. He was a giant in this family who loved his siblings, children, grands, great grands, nieces and nephews.

Thomas was born and raised in Pickens County, South Carolina. He served his country in the US Army from 1951 to 1953 during the Korean War. He relocated his family from Easley South Carolina to Atlanta Georgia in 1965. He worked for Dillard Swimming Pool Company until his retirement.

He is survived by devoted partner, Ms. Louise Jackson; two daughters: Gloria Mims (Thomas) and Frances Johnson. Two sisters: Emily Deas and Joyce McFadden of Columbia SC: one brother William (Bill) Heard (Juanita); 9 great grands; 2 great-great grands and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, spouse, Frances Jordan Heard, one special son, Douglas Austin; 6 siblings: Florence Austin, John Churchill Heard, George Earl Heard, Wallace Heard, Vergie Heard and Sara Glover; three grandsons: Derrick Heard, Terrance Hopkins and Delmetrius Heard; one

granddaughter: Tomieka Mims

# Cemetery Details

## Kennedy Memorial Gardens

2500 River Road  
ELLENWOOD, Ga

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JUN 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Mount Pleasant Baptist Church  
816 Maynard Terrace SE  
ATLANTA, GA 30316

# Tribute Wall



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Thomas J. Heard.



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June 16, 2023 at 01:37 PM



“ *Latricia G. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas J. Heard.*

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**Latricia G.** - June 16, 2023 at 09:09 AM