



Mr. Thomas Riley Jr.

October 23, 1944 - May 11, 2026

Thomas Riley Jr. was born on a beautiful fall day, October 23, 1944, in Butler Georgia. He was the second child and first son born to the late Thomas Riley Sr. and Carrie Riley. He grew up in a Christian home. “June” as he was affectionately known, received his early education in the Taylor County schools and was later educated at Mays Senior High School in Goulds, Florida.

In late 1961 he met his lifelong partner, Dorothy Brown, marrying in 1963. To this union two children were born, Carolyn and Sabrina. They joined three older siblings from Dorothy’s previous marriage, Linda, Archie and Michael. Linda and Archie, both preceded him in death. Growing up in a large family he learned the value of commitment to family. He was a big brother in every sense of the word. June was well beloved by a host of nieces, nephews and members of the Riley-Edwards family.

Upon completing his formal education, he promptly entered the labor force at a young age, working many years in the construction industry. His work ethic was unquestioned. His hard work opened many doors for himself and others as he paved the way for others who would choose this vocation. He worked for various companies, including Cook and Pruitt, where he ultimately retired as labor foreman after more than 35 years.

Later he joined the Covenant Missionary Baptist Church in Florida City Florida under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Curtis Thomas. He served faithfully on the Senior Usher's Ministry and was an active member of Brotherhood Ministry. He later joined Pleasant Hill Baptist church in 2007 under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Ronald D. Dunnigan, serving in the Men's Ministry until his health began to fail. He loved being in the fellowship, especially to hear good preaching and singing.

After a prolonged illness, God, in his infinite wisdom, called him home from labor to reward on Monday, May 11, 2026. June was preceded in death by his sister, Lizzierene Dukes (Sylvester), brothers, Henry, Willie (Phyllis) and Calvin (Michelle). He leaves to cherish his loving memory his faithful wife, Dorothy; his sons, Michael Everett and Michael Anderson; his devoted daughters, Carolyn and Sabrina; his siblings, Clinton (Jo Ann), Susie, and Johnny (Marilyn); his aunt,

Bernice (Rochester, NY); and a legacy of love shared with a host of grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and sorrowing friends.

Memorial Services will be held on Saturday, May 23, 2026 at 11:00 AM at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, 797 Moon St., Lawrenceville, GA 30046. Please express your condolences here on our website. Services entrusted to Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home, Gwinnett Chapel 914 Scenic Hwy., Lawrenceville, GA 30045. 770-338-5558.

Previous Events

Memorial Celebration of Life

MAY 23. 11:00 AM (ET)

Pleasant Hill Baptist Church
797 Moon Rd
Lawrenceville, Ga

Tribute Wall



“ *Sincerest Sorrow Blue & White was purchased for the family of Mr. Thomas Riley Jr..*



May 20 at 11:56 AM



“ *Sherika Roberts planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Thomas Riley Jr..*

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“ *Sherika Roberts purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Mr. Thomas Riley Jr..*



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“ *Heartfelt Sympathies Blue & White Funeral Standing Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Thomas Riley Jr..*



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