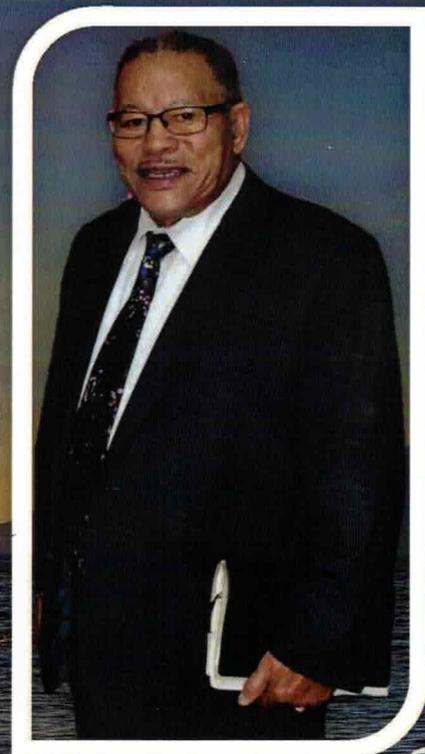


*Celebrating
The Life of*



Dr. Robert Denmark

1939 - 2026

Saturday, January 31, 2026

@ 11:00 A.M.

Providence M. B. Church

12011 Rd 100 Philadelphia, MS 39350

Dr. Johnny Barnes, Officiator

Minister Robert Cole, MOC

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"PRECIOUS IN THE SIGHT OF THE LORD IS THE DEATH OF HIS SAINTS... FOR TO BE ABSENT FROM THE BODY IS TO BE PRESENT WITH THE LORD" (2 CORINTHIANS 5:8).

With thankful hearts, we honor and celebrate the victorious homegoing of Dr. Robert B. Denmark, who entered eternal rest on Thursday, January 22, at 8:25 p.m. at Baptist-Anderson Memorial Hospital in Meridian, MD.

Dr. Denmark was a faithful servant of God whose life radiated the love and power of Jesus Christ. For decades, Dr. Denmark served as a spiritual shepherd, teacher, and guiding light, leading countless souls to Christ and leaving a profound and lasting impact on churches and the community he cherished so deeply.

Dr. Denmark and his twin brother, William Denmark (deceased), were the seventh and eighth children born to Mr. Earnest Denmark (Deceased) and his wife, Esther Denmark (deceased). He was blessed with six sisters: Ernestine, Alma, May, Rachal, and Carolyn, all of whom preceded him in death, and one surviving sister, Bertha Burrs, whose husband, Larry, is also deceased.

His journey in ministry began when he was ordained by True Vine Baptist Church in Baltimore, Maryland, on November 29, 1960, under the leadership of Reverend Cleveland Davis. Pastor Denmark united with Providence M. B. Church where he nurtured faith and served with humility, wisdom, and unwavering devotion. His legacy is measured not by the length of his ministry but by the lives he touched, the souls transformed, the families strengthened, and the generations inspired through his faithful walk with the Lord and steadfast leadership.

Pastor Denmark faithfully served several congregations throughout his ministry. His first congregation began in 1969 at Cedar Chapel M. B. Church at Laurel Hill, but in 1972 he was called to lead Center Hill M.B. Church in Carthage, MD, part-time on first and third Sundays, until he went full-time in 1998, where he pastored for 53 years until his passing. In 1978, he also accepted the call to pastor Jerusalem M.B. Church in Lake, MD, on the second and fourth Sundays, serving there for over 20 years.

Pastor Denmark was not only attentive to the needs of the church families he shepherded, but he was also deeply devoted to his community. His faithfulness, compassion, and genuine love for others were evident in every aspect of his service. Whenever someone in the community falls ill, heartfelt sympathy and

prayers were offered, and comfort and support are provided to those in need. His deep love for God's people stands as a cherished testament to his life.

Not only was he a devoted and faithful minister, but he also used his hands and heart to construct many churches and homes throughout Mississippi, strengthening communities and leaving a lasting spiritual and physical legacy for generations to come.

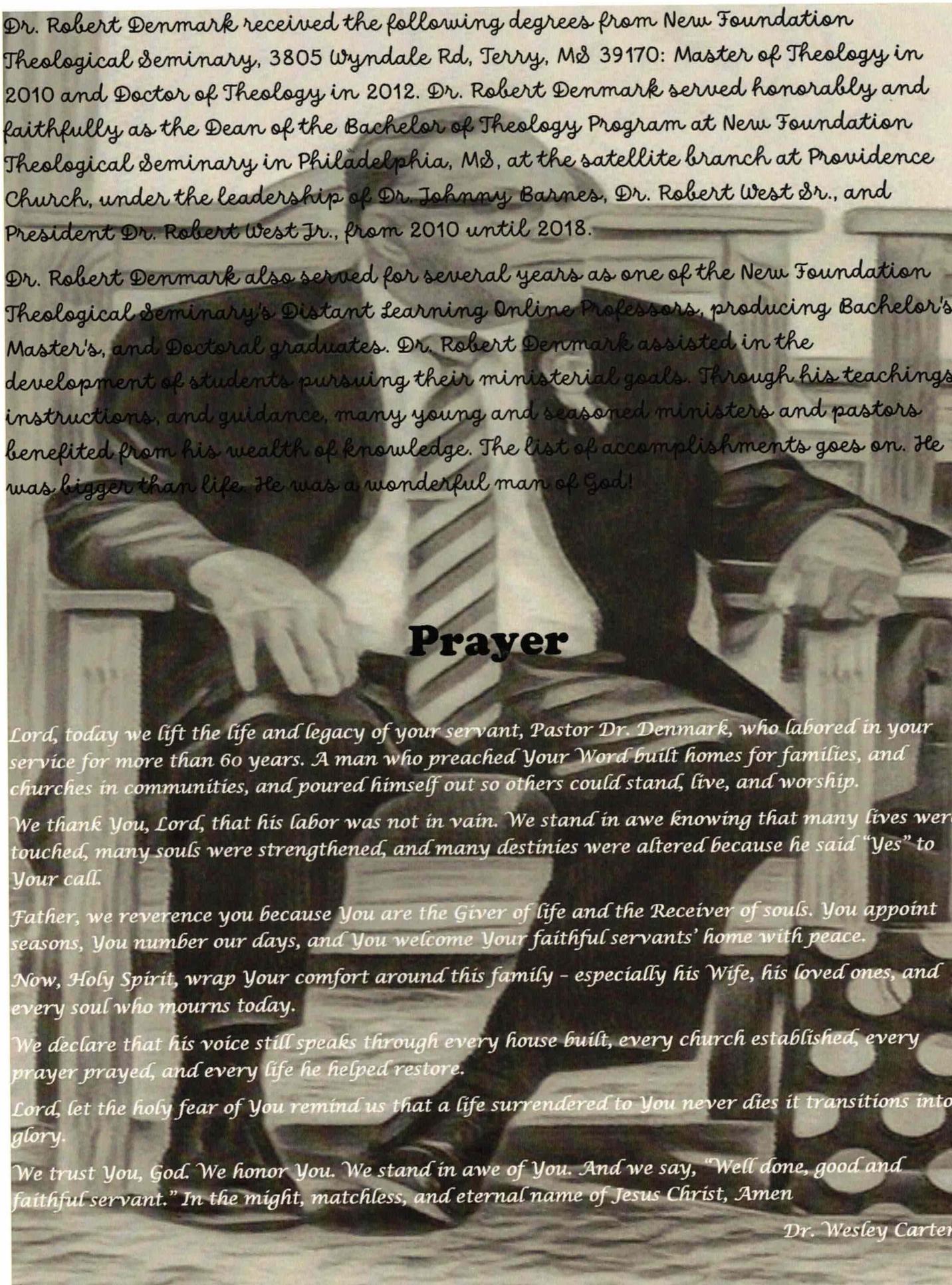
Dr. Denmark was not only a devoted pastor but also a loving and compassionate husband to his wife of 60 years, Walterine Denmark. He was a dedicated father to Hilda (Johnnie) Slaughter, Sharon (Curtis) Weathers, Monica (Rueben) Wess, Trace (Arthur) Vardaman, and Miski (Alex) Brown. Christopher Hunt, Chase Slaughter, Curtez Weathers, Adrienna (Larry) Dixon, Jayohnnie Slaughter, Paige Brown, Tymese Brown, Bryan Ross, and Zachary Vardaman. Sisters-in-love, Gertha Carter, Johnie Ruth Cortrell, Kathy Carter, Monica Carter, and Emma Wess. He was also blessed with nine grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren, each of whom brought him immense joy.

"The other day I was talking to Deacon Burnside, and he said my Deacons love me; I love that because the only thing that love is good. Romans 13:10 say "Love is the fulfillment of the law. The only way to know Jesus is in love." Pastor Denmark

His contributions were many. As a union committee leader, he helped introduce legislation in Congress ensuring those who served in the war would not lose their jobs while serving their country, a protection that remains in place today. He has had the honor of leading prayer before the Mississippi State Legislature.

In 1989, he served on the Handicapped Services Advisory Board under Governor Ray Mabus. His commitment to ministry and education was reflected in his achievements: he earned his Certification in Christian Training from the American Baptist Theological Seminary, in Nashville, Tennessee, and in 1973, he received his diploma from Mississippi Baptist Seminary's Sunday School Workers Training in Jackson, MS.

In 1976, he opened the House of Representatives with prayer, becoming the first African American to do so. During this time, he also spoke at several colleges and universities, including East Central Community College and Jackson State University, among others. He received certifications to teach Baptist Doctrine, Doctrine of Sin, and Church Administration from a black perspective through the Department of Christian Education Accreditation and Credentials.



Dr. Robert Denmark received the following degrees from New Foundation Theological Seminary, 3805 Wyndale Rd, Terry, MD 39170: Master of Theology in 2010 and Doctor of Theology in 2012. Dr. Robert Denmark served honorably and faithfully as the Dean of the Bachelor of Theology Program at New Foundation Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, MD, at the satellite branch at Providence Church, under the leadership of Dr. Johnny Barnes, Dr. Robert West Sr., and President Dr. Robert West Jr., from 2010 until 2018.

Dr. Robert Denmark also served for several years as one of the New Foundation Theological Seminary's Distant Learning Online Professors, producing Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctoral graduates. Dr. Robert Denmark assisted in the development of students pursuing their ministerial goals. Through his teachings, instructions, and guidance, many young and seasoned ministers and pastors benefited from his wealth of knowledge. The list of accomplishments goes on. He was bigger than life. He was a wonderful man of God!

Prayer

Lord, today we lift the life and legacy of your servant, Pastor Dr. Denmark, who labored in your service for more than 60 years. A man who preached Your Word built homes for families, and churches in communities, and poured himself out so others could stand, live, and worship.

We thank You, Lord, that his labor was not in vain. We stand in awe knowing that many lives were touched, many souls were strengthened, and many destinies were altered because he said "Yes" to Your call.

Father, we reverence you because You are the Giver of life and the Receiver of souls. You appoint seasons, You number our days, and You welcome Your faithful servants' home with peace.

Now, Holy Spirit, wrap Your comfort around this family - especially his Wife, his loved ones, and every soul who mourns today.

We declare that his voice still speaks through every house built, every church established, every prayer prayed, and every life he helped restore.

Lord, let the holy fear of You remind us that a life surrendered to You never dies it transitions into glory.

We trust You, God. We honor You. We stand in awe of You. And we say, "Well done, good and faithful servant." In the mighty, matchless, and eternal name of Jesus Christ, Amen

Dr. Wesley Carter

Celebrating the Life of Dr. Robert Denmark

Processional - Soft Music - Pianist Brother Dexter Myrick

Master of the Ceremony - Minister Robert Cole

Scripture - Old Testament - Minister Robert McMillian

Scripture - New Testament - Minister Kenneth Clayton

Prayer - Dr. Larry Weathers

Song - Center Hill Missionary Baptist Church

Expressions

As A Pastor - Pastor Osie Grays

As A Community Leader - Deacon Philip Flowers

As A Friend - Deacon Felton Lockett

Acknowledgements/Resolutions - Deacon Edward McGowan

Song - Center Hill Missionary Baptist Church

Reading of the Obituary - Soft Music - Brother Dexter Myrick

Eulogy - Dr. Johnny Barnes

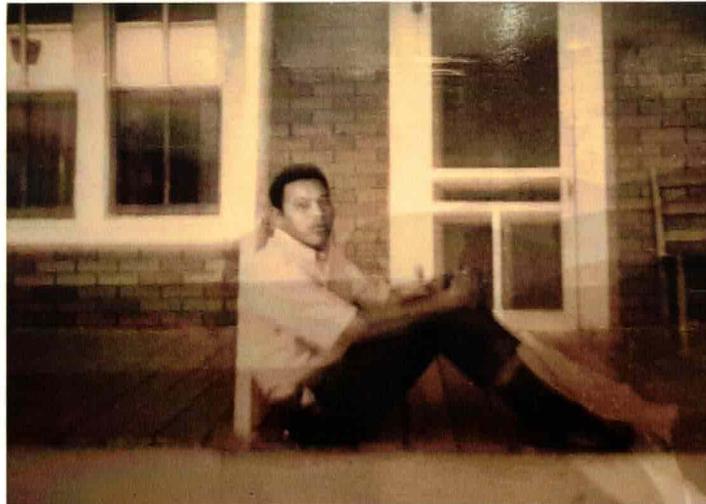
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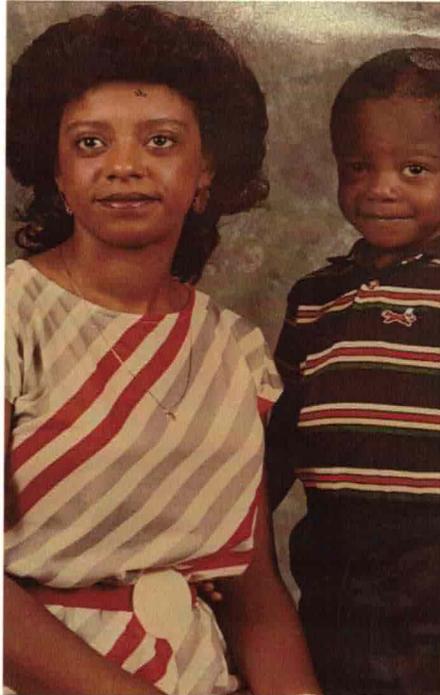
To My Husband

*I didn't marry you so that I could live with you,
I married you because I can't live without you.
If I could give you one thing in life,
I would give you the ability to see
Yourself through my eyes.
Only then would you realize how
Special you are to me and that you're the best thing
That happened to me.
I love you forever and always*

Our Last Touch

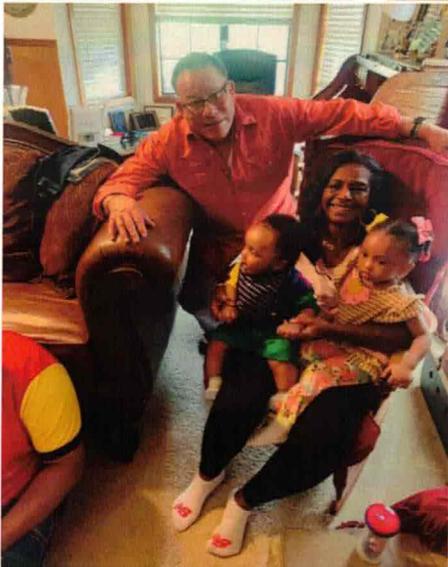


Daddy's Children

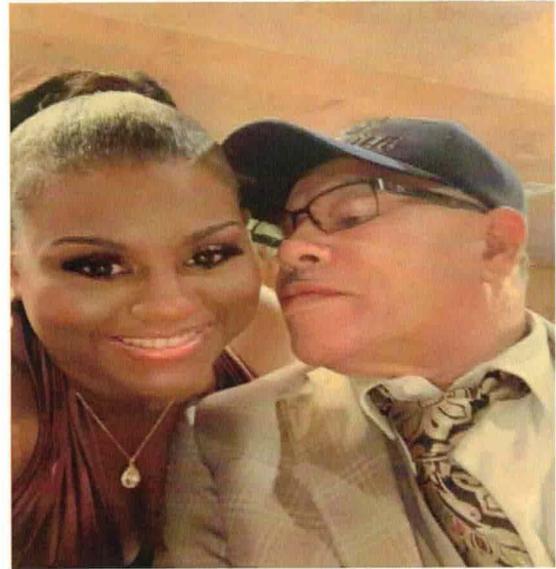


*God saw him getting tired,
And a cure was not to be.
He wrapped him in his loving arms
And whispered, "Come with me."
He suffered much in silence,
His spirit did not bend.
He faced his pain with courage,
Until the very end.
He tried so hard to stay with us,
but his fight was not in vain.
God took him to His loving home
and freed him from the pain.*

Unknown Author



From the Grands



Great-Grandds and Memories



Sermons written by Dr. Robert Denmark
"God bless each one of you on this our Lord's day."

Dr. Robert Denmark

Subject: "Changing my way to God's way." Scripture John 14:6

"When you got something on your mind that won't let you move, tell yourself God loves me and only wants the Best for me." Dr. Rober Denmark

Subject: "Help from God." Scripture Psalms 60:11-12

"Together we stand, divided we fall. The church is real. God will hear our worship if it's from our hearts.: Dr. Robert Denmark

Subject: "Empty Handed." Scripture: Exodus: 34:20

"Jesus taught us parables so that we would receive simple truth, From his Father. God. Failure to respond to the truth brings blindness. Parables became a very effective tool for revealing the truth."

Dr. Robert Denmark

Subject: "Let it go." Scripture Luke 9:62

"Yes, what you went through tested your faith, but it also gave you a chance to grow." Dr. Robert Denmark

Subject: "Me now! Then and now." Scripture Romans 5:6-9

"When you receive the word, that is when you let the word into your heart, you give the word power, and it will work a change in you."

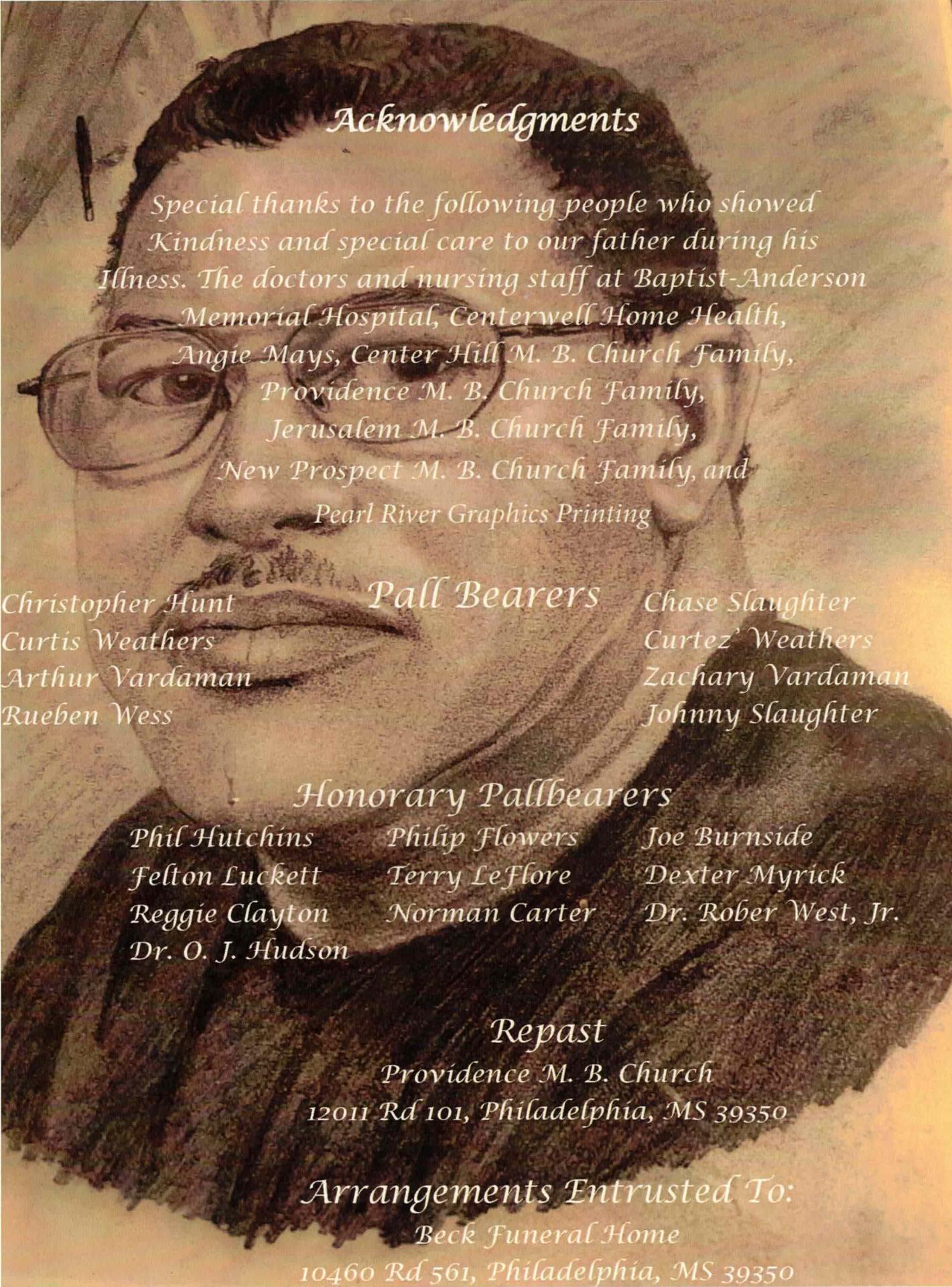
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Letter to my Paw Paw

It's so easy to be selfish in grief. I would have kept you here with me for the rest of my life if love were enough. But you wanted rest, and you've more than earned it. The one thing that makes such a big loss bearable is having so many other shoulders to lean on when the weight gets too heavy for one. I learned that from him. The man, the son-in-law, the carpenter, the scholar, the pastor, most of all to me, the Paw Paw. I've learned so many things. Some people teach with their words and produce greatness in others. The way he lived was a constant lesson. He often strove to practice what he preached. The loss feels so big because he was such a great man. Who will

I argue with about theology and philosophy? Grief changes you. We will never be the same. We will love you for the rest of this life and the next. I'll see you on the other side. After this, you'd better be the first person in line after God and Jesus, I see. You took such a big piece of my heart with you. You will always be missed. You have been at every graduation, every big moment, from my birth, the births of my kids, to my wedding. I don't think I'll ever be loved by another human being on this earth. Know that everything I'll achieve in this life will be colored by a bit of your influence. Grandparents are guardian angels, and one of ours. I hope you have finally found your rest, a peace that only God can provide. In the meantime, hopefully, we will find ours as well.

Love Adrienna



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Johnny Slaughter

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