

*Remembering Veteran*  
**LOVELL IVORY, SR.**  
ORDER OF SERVICE

*Prelude*

Processional led by Rev. James Thomas  
and Pulpit Guests

Selection St. Mark Baptist Church Choir

Prayer Rev. Larry Franklin, Jr.  
*Senior Pastor, Nazarene Church of God In Christ*

Scripture  
Old Testament | Psalm 23 Minderee Cooper  
New Testament | John 1:1-4 India Cooper

Selection St. Mark Baptist Church Choir

*Expressions of Love and Remembrances*  
Open to Family and Friends | *limit 2 minutes*

Reading of the Obituary Deacon Ed Tymes

Selection St. Mark Baptist Church Choir

Eulogy Rev. James Thomas  
*Senior Pastor, St. Mark Baptist Church*

Acknowledgements and  
Presentation of the  
Family Bible Barnum Staff

Benediction Rev. Larry Franklin, Jr.

*Recessional*

*Please turn all cell phones and electronic devices off  
or to silent mode during the services. Thank you.*

INTERMENT  
**St. Mark Baptist Church Cemetery**  
96 Hobbs and Briggs Road, Buena Vista, GA 31803

*Honorary Pallbearers*  
Sons, Grandsons and Nephews

*Pallbearers*  
Grandsons and Nephews

*Flower Attendants*  
Granddaughters and Nieces

*Acknowledgements*

The Family of Lovell Ivory, Sr. extends heartfelt gratitude for prayers, love, and support during this time of loss. Special thanks to the medical staff, caregivers, friends and the entire church community for their kindness and compassion.

REPAST  
**Fox Hall**

104 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Buena Vista, GA 31803

*Final Note*

In celebration of Lovell's life, we remember his love for family, his joyous spirit, his dedication, and his unwavering faith. Though he is no longer with us, his legacy lives on in our hearts and memories.

*May Lovell Ivory, Sr. rest in eternal peace,  
and may his memory be a blessing to us all.*

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO:  
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IN LOVING  
*Memory* OF

SUNRISE April 17, 1947 SUNSET August 1, 2024



 **VETERAN**  
*Lovell*  
**IVORY, SR.**

HOME GOING CELEBRATION  
Saturday, August 10, 2024 | 11:00 a.m.  
*Nazarene Church of God In Christ*  
2286 Pineville Road, Buena Vista, Georgia 31803  
Rev. Larry Franklin, Jr.

OFFICIANT  
**Rev. James Thomas**  
St. Mark Baptist Church

*Remembering Veteran*  
**LOVELL IVORY, SR.**  
OBITUARY

On April 17, 1947, in Carrollton, Alabama, a bright star named **LOVELL IVORY** was born to Lily Ferguson-Ivory and Essex Ivory. His journey through life was a tapestry woven with threads of courage, love, dedication, and laughter. On August 1, 2024, this extraordinary soul departed from our midst, leaving behind a legacy that will be cherished forever.

Lovell's early years were marked by the nurturing care of his parents and the camaraderie of his siblings: James, Roy, Willie, Ellen, and Edna, all of whom predeceased him. After graduating from high school, Lovell heeded the call of duty, enlisting in the Army in 1970. He served his country with valor in the Vietnam War, receiving medals for National Defense Service, Sharpshooter (M14), and a Marksman (M-16); he also forged bonds of brotherhood and enduring experiences that shaped the man he would become.

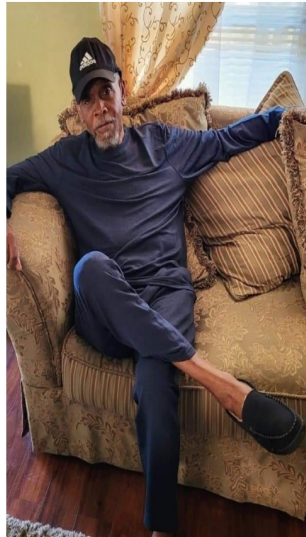
After his service, Lovell sought the vibrant embrace of New York City. It was there, amidst the city's ceaseless pulse, that he found the love of his life, Ernestine Tucker, in 1975. Their love story was a beacon of constancy and warmth, a partnership that flourished until his final days.

Lovell's professional journey saw him as a dedicated truck driver for Chuck Full of Nuts, a coffee company in New York City. His days on the road were marked by a tireless work ethic and a deep sense of responsibility. Retirement brought Lovell to Georgia, where he channeled his energy into a new role as a school bus driver for Marion County School System in Buena Vista, GA. His commitment to his work was unwavering until his health began to wane.

A man of many passions, Lovell cherished traveling with his family and the thrill of mastering a BBQ grill. His love for blues music was profound, and he was known for his light-footed dancing, always bringing joy to those around him. A joker with a heart of gold, Lovell was a devoted provider and a pillar of faith, whose belief in a higher power guided him throughout his life.

Lovell was a proud Vietnam Veteran and a dedicated member of the C. B. Dowdell American Legion Post #558. Above all, he was a loving husband, father, and grandfather. He leaves behind a legacy of his wife, Ernestine Tucker-Ivory, and one sister, Carolyn "Curly" Ivory; eight children: Brian Tucker, Norman Fowler, Geneva Musgrave (Tamarra), Lakeisha Ivory-Ponder, Lovell Ivory, Jr., Lachandra Ivory, Lakiya Austin (Bernard), and Nigel Austin. His love extended to his fourteen grandchildren: Tyreem, Brianna, Naeem, Zykeem, Akell, Gianni, Elian, Justin, Roderick, Anissa, Ciara, Stephon, Lucas, and Lexington, and his eight great-grandchildren: La-kye, Jayden, Mia, London, Emma, Amir, Aria and Aaliyah. He also leaves a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and close friends who will forever cherish his memory.

Lovell's journey was one of resilience, joy, and unwavering love. His spirit continues to shine brightly in the hearts of those who knew him. As we honor his memory, we find solace in the profound impact he had on our lives and the enduring legacy he leaves behind.



*A Letter From Heaven*

When tomorrow starts without me,  
and I'm not there to see  
if the sun should rise and find your eyes  
filled with tears for me.

I wish so much you wouldn't cry  
the way you did today  
while thinking of the many things  
we didn't get to say.

I know how much you love me  
**AS MUCH AS I LOVE YOU**  
and each time that you think of me,  
I know you'll miss me too.

When tomorrow starts without me,  
don't think we're far apart,  
**FOR EVERY TIME YOU THINK OF ME,**  
**I'M RIGHT HERE IN YOUR HEART.**

**Love, Your Husband and Father**

*Lovell Ivory, Sr.*

1947-2024

Rest in peace, Lovell Ivory, Sr. Your journey on this earth may have ended, but your spirit will live on in our hearts forever.

