

Reverend Seth Riggins, Jr. was born in Albany, Georgia on July 11, 1944. He was the beloved son of the late Reverend Seth Riggins, Sr. and the late Gussie Cratfon Riggins.

He received his education in the Dougherty County School System. He later attended Monroe Vocational School for accounting. He also attended the Men of Bethany Bible College.

He was united in Holy Matrimony to Bernice W. Riggins. Their union endured through the years, and they were blessed with two children. Seth was unwavering in his dedication to fostering a home filled with love, joy and strong values. As a husband and a father, he was constant in his efforts to care for the needs of his family. Through his family, we can say he was blessed.

Infused with a strong Christian background, Rev. Riggins professed his faith to Christ at a very early age. He was baptized and received the “right hand of fellowship” into the body of Christ at Cutliff Grove Baptist Church, where he served for many years. In later years, he and his family were among the founders of Institutional First Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Dr. E. G. Sherman, Jr. Seth was the superintendent of Sunday School. He also taught Bible School lessons. Seth was unfaltering in his service at church. Often, the Riggins Family is referred to as the “pioneer members.”

Blessed beyond measure, Rev. Riggins reached the hallowed age of 80. He lived to see two granddaughters grow up to be young ladies. His love for all mankind was manifested through his daily walk. You couldn't know him without being inspired by his love and devotion to his family, friends, church and community.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by three siblings: Carolyn Faye Holsey, Julius Riggins and Samuel Riggins.

Precious memories will remain with his wife, Bernice Riggins; children, Tony Riggins and Tanya Riggins; grandchildren, Jakiara Riggins and Janiah Riggins; siblings: Fannie Lassiter, Jonie Cash, Rev. Adrian (Angela) Riggins and a host of nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.