

## Active Pallbearers

Courtney Gainey Octavious Thomas  
Nickey Fulmor Anthony Cox Johnny Martin  
Wendell Brockington

## Honorary Pallbearers

Lester Smith, American Legion Post 515, Inc

## Internment

Douglas City Cemetery  
Douglas, Georgia

## Flower Attendants

Lester Smith American Legion Unit 515, Inc,  
Family and Friends

## Acknowledgments

The family of Mr. Melvin Lee Loving Sr. wishes to express our sincere appreciation for the condolences and other expressions of sympathy extended during our time of bereavement. they have helped immensely in lightening our burden of sadness. We want each of you to know, we shall forever remain grateful for your Kindness and Thoughtfulness. - The Loving Family

## JOY IN THE HANDS OF GOD

Peace of conscience, liberty of heart, the sweetness of abandoning ourselves in the hands of God, the joy of always seeing the light grow in our hearts, finally, freedom from the fears and insatiable desires of the time, multiply a hundred fold the happiness which the true children of God possess.

Love you Daddy

Final rites were entrusted to:



Mr. Sidney Keith Harrell- Licensed Funeral Director & Embalmer  
400 E. Cherry Street  
Douglas, Georgia 31533  
(912) 384-2251

## A CELEBRATION OF LIFE FOR



## OUR BELOVED *Melvin Lee Loving, Sr.*

*Sunrise:*

August 22, 1945

*Sunset:*

July 10, 2017

Saturday, July 15, 2017  
11:00 A.M.

*Harrell's Funeral Home Chapel*

400 East Cherry Street  
Douglas, Georgia 31533

Pastor, Dr. Melvenia Loving, Eulogist  
Rev. James Anthony, Presiding

# The Life & Legacy of

# The Order of Celebration

Melvin Lee Loving, Sr. was born to Son and Sadie (Young) Loving in Mississippi, August 22, 1945. He moved to Douglas, GA in 1961. He was a hard working man with very little formal education; therefore, he took manual labor jobs throughout his lifetime. However, he was a skilled heavy equipment operator. Melvin was an independent, kind-hearted, caring, and a free spirited man, who moved around as a young man. In the early 1980s, he moved back to Douglas and settled down with Ms. Pamela Curtis.

He was preceded in death by his parents, companion: Pamela; one son: Melvin Loving; sisters: Nora, Irene and Lessie; brothers: Tommy, Homer, Bobby, Daniel and Herthy; extended family: David (Leola) Fletcher Sr., David Fletcher Jr. and Jessie Fletcher.

He leaves to cherish his memory two daughters; Geri Lynn Thomas of Brunswick, GA, Sheila Cox of Statesboro, GA, three sons; Edward (Tiffany) Cox of Statesboro, GA, Melvin (Teresa) Temple, Melvin (Patrena Ross) Loving Jr. of Douglas, GA and 23 grandchildren; two great grandchildren; two step children: Tamia (Rahkeem) Paulk of Douglas, GA and Anthony (Felicia) Cox of Statesboro, GA; two sisters: Lonnie Crosby of Chicago, IL and Operlean Johnson of Chesapeake, VA; three brothers: Albert (Betty) Loving and John (Kathy) Loving of Albany, GA and Jerome (Vivian) Loving of Douglas, GA; Three Sisters-In-Law: Pastor, Dr. Melvenia Loving of Albany, GA, Delsene Hearst of Omaha, NE and Ollie Coburn of St. Louis, MO; Extended family: Evelyn (Albert) Wimbley, Jimmy (Nikishonda Andrews) Fletcher, Bobby (Lois) Fletcher and Jeffrey Fletcher of Douglas, GA and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives and friends.



*Lonnie, Albert, John, Operlean and Jerome*

Processional and Viewing Presiding.....Rev. James Anthony  
 Selection.....Minister Neal Wimbley  
 Scripture Readings: .....Julie Loving-Scott  
 Niece, El Paso, Texas  
 Old Testament .....Rev. James Anthony  
 New Testament.....Rev. T.H. Braswell  
 Prayer.....Bishop Albert Wimbley  
 Solo.....Yolanda Loving  
 Niece, Albany, GA

### “Reflections”

As a brother: Jerome Loving

As a Dad: Sheila Cox

As a Brother-In-Law: Milton Mathis

Acknowledgements.....Harrell’s Funeral Home  
 Eulogy.....Pastor, Dr. Melvenia Loving  
 Pastor of Evangelistic Temple Church of God  
 Albany, GA  
 Recessional

God saw you getting tired and a cure was not  
 to be So he put his arms around you And  
 whispered  
 “Come to Me”.

With tearful eyes we watched you As you  
 slowly slipped away And though we love you  
 dearly We couldn’t make you stay.

Your golden heart stopped beating Your tired  
 hands put to rest God broke our hearts to  
 prove to us He only takes the best.

And when I saw you sleeping so peaceful And  
 free from pain, I could not wish You back to  
 suffer, that again.