



Pastor Jessie James Taylor, Sr.

September 28, 1939 - November 8, 2022

The Lineage

Jessie James Taylor, Sr. descends from the lineages of Dan Archie, Sr. and Julia Dixon Archie of Goshen Springs, MS and from Alfred Taylor, Sr. and Annie Mayberry Taylor. He was born on September 28, 1939 and was the oldest of eight children to Alfred Taylor, Jr. and Abbie Ree Archie Taylor who both preceded him in death. Reverend Taylor departed this life peacefully at his home on November 8, 2022 in Brandon, MS.

The Life

Jessie grew up in Fannin, MS with his seven brothers and sisters and attended Fannin School where he graduated. He joined church and was baptized at a young age at Pilgrim Branch M.B. Church in Goshen Springs. After finishing high school, he immediately began to work using the gifts God had given him. He was very industrious during his early years using his skills at the Cataphote, Inc. in Flowood, MS and Harper Foundry in Jackson, MS. He quickly realized that he was created to do more and ventured out to begin building his own businesses. These included starting a pulpwood hauling business, farming, and eventually establishing Taylor's Construction, Inc., Taylor's Septic Tank, Inc. and Taylor Made Ready Mix Concrete, Inc.

Jessie's life was one that he also lived for God. He accepted his call to ministry in 1967 and became an ordained minister with the Christian Methodist Episcopal (C.M.E) Church in 1969. He faithfully served the CME Church for 35 years pastoring churches across Mississippi: Zionell CME Church in Mt. Olive, MS; Perry Chapel CME Church in Satartia, MS; St. Paul CME Church in Bentonia, MS; Lee's Chapel CME Church in Canton, MS; Spring Hill CME Church in Carroll County; and Little Bethel CME Church in Terry, MS. Even after retirement he still found himself preaching and teaching the word of God.

The Legacy

Throughout the time Reverend Taylor was working in his career and fulfilling the mission that God had given him, he did so alongside his devoted wife, Pearlean Myers Taylor of Fannin, MS. They were united in marriage on October 8, 1958 and were blessed with fourteen children. They remained united until she departed her earthly life in 2000.

Carrying on the legacy of Reverend Jessie James Taylor, Sr. are his sons: Rev. Jessie J. Taylor, Jr. (Annie), Simon L. Taylor (Debra), Isaac Taylor, David A. Taylor, Joshua Taylor (Dinell) all of Brandon, MS; Fred (Crystal) Collins of Pearl, MS. One son, Otis Taylor, preceded him in death. Daughters: Vergie R. Jackson, Shirley J. Taylor Leonard, Rachel Booker, Sharlene Taylor Adkins all of Brandon, MS; Minister Leah Spann (Chris) of Flowood, MS; Patricia (Woodrow) Hartzog of Hammond, LA; Debra (Albert) Reed of Forest, MS; and Tonya Y. Miner of (Pensacola, FL). His legacy also boasts of 40 grandchildren and 34 great grandchildren.

He also leaves to cherish his siblings. Two brothers: Reverend Joseph L. Taylor (Sadie), and Solomon Taylor (Shirley) of Brandon, MS. Three sisters: Annie Mae Taylor of Flint, MI; Mary Lee Lewis, Ella Jean Anderson (Roy),

Dorene Anderson (Nathaniel) of Brandon, MS. Althea Ree Adams preceded him in death. He also leaves two special friends Clifton Rogers, Sr. and Joe Ed Wallace.

His legacy will also be remembered by a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and the communities that he so faithfully served.

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing. 2 Timothy 4:7-8

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **15**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Dean Memorial Funeral Home

745 Highway 468

Brandon, MS 39042

(601) 825-3884

<https://deanmemorialfuneralhome.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Dean Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Pastor Jessie James Taylor, Sr.*



Dean Memorial Funeral Home - November 14, 2022 at 10:39 PM

JL

Me and Jesse Taylor were good friends I work for him and I learned a lot from him

James C Taylor III - November 10, 2025 at 04:57 PM

CS

“ *Geat memories of Rev Taylor. I was not aware of his passing until now! He and my Dad were good friends. He kept me laughing and I will always remember the best days we had here.*

Carl Snell - July 03, 2023 at 03:40 PM

TB

“ *Tiffany Brown lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,*



Tiffany Brown - November 21, 2022 at 06:40 AM

AM

“ *Ann Moore lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,*



Ann Moore - November 18, 2022 at 08:51 PM

KF

“ *Katherine Feltson Graves (Kitty)*

katherine feltson - November 15, 2022 at 02:16 PM

RO

“ *My heartfelt condolences to the Taylor family. You are in my thoughts and prayers.* 🙏



Robbie - November 15, 2022 at 12:40 PM

VB

Our deepest condolences to the Taylor family. We are remembering you in our thoughts and prayers.

velma Bennett - November 16, 2022 at 10:46 AM

CM

“ *Cedric Teresa (Taylor) Moore lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,*



Cedric and Teresa (Taylor) Moore - November 15, 2022 at 08:47 AM

KE

“ kesht1973 lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,



kesht1973 - November 15, 2022 at 01:27 AM

KE

“ kesht1973 sent a virtual gift in memory of Jessie Taylor,



kesht1973 - November 15, 2022 at 01:25 AM

RS

“ I'm going to miss you dad. ❤️🕊️



Rev. Leah Spann - November 14, 2022 at 01:43 PM

JW

“ Joe Wallace lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,



Joe Wallace - November 14, 2022 at 08:58 AM

ES

“ *Edgar Sr lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,*



Edgar Collier Sr - November 13, 2022 at 10:39 PM

JJ

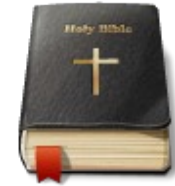
“ *Jessie Taylor lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,*



Jessie Taylor Jr - November 13, 2022 at 07:48 PM

BM

“ *Barbara Magee sent a virtual gift in memory of Jessie Taylor,*



Barbara Magee - November 13, 2022 at 07:13 PM

DA

“ *Dorene Anderson lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,*



Dorene Anderson - November 12, 2022 at 11:11 PM

JN

“ Jeanette Neal lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,



Jeanette Taylor Neal - November 12, 2022 at 01:26 PM

AS

“ Angeleta swaggard lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,



Angeleta swaggard - November 11, 2022 at 10:23 PM

LW

“ Lisa Wallace lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,



Lisa Wallace - November 11, 2022 at 04:23 PM

ST

“ My deepest condolences to Pastor Taylor Family 🙏🙏🙏



Shirley Thomas - November 11, 2022 at 02:12 PM

VR

“ *vickie riley lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,*



vickie riley - November 11, 2022 at 01:55 PM

CS

“ *Our deepest sympathy and prayers go out to The Taylor family. May God Comfort your hearts and keep each of you. Mr.&Mrs.Douglas (Cynthia) Spann and family.*



Cynthia Spann - November 11, 2022 at 12:47 AM

FW

“ *My Deepest Condolences to the family of Mr. Taylor, may God continue to strengthen you all during your time of bereavement.*

Frances Wallace - November 10, 2022 at 10:55 PM

AM

“ *Audrey Terry Myers lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,*



Audrey & Terry Myers - November 10, 2022 at 10:17 PM

MM

“ *Mary McCoy lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,*



Mary McCoy - November 10, 2022 at 09:42 PM

AF

“ *Sincere condolences extended to the family and friends of Pastor Jessie Taylor.*



Anderson Family - November 10, 2022 at 09:27 PM

DJ

“ *Daisy Johnson lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,*



Daisy Johnson - November 10, 2022 at 08:15 PM

RF

“ *Rose and Family lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,*



Rose Rogers and Family - November 10, 2022 at 07:28 PM

TF

“ *The Family lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,*



The Calhoun Family - November 10, 2022 at 06:49 PM

ET

“ *Evelyn Tillis lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,*



Evelyn Tillis - November 10, 2022 at 06:36 PM

MJ

“ *Margaret Jackson lit a candle in memory of Jessie Taylor,*



Margaret Jackson - November 10, 2022 at 04:00 PM