



Thomas Edward Beckham

August 10, 1949 - May 20, 2023

Thomas E. Beckham was born on Aug 10, 1949 to John E. Beckham and Ella Tobias Beckham. One of nine children, Thomas grew up in the Grier Heights Community.

After graduating from Myers Park High School, Thomas enlisted into the Army Branch of our US Military. There he served as both a Switching Systems Operator and an Infantryman. During his time he received several awards, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry, Good Conduct Medal, Expert Rifle, Combat Infantry Badge, Overseas Service Ribbon and was also a Purple recipient.

Thomas retired from the Army and spent the rest of his days enjoying his life as it was and trying to make those around him happy. This he did up until his declining health.

Thomas leaves to mourn his death and reflect on his life, his Son Azizi Swaddah(by Wife Deborah), Granddaughter Nekah Swaddah, His Brothers and Sisters Willie J. Tobias Sr., Ella Kirkpatrick, Hazelene Means, Alice Beckham, Johnny Beckham and his Wife Robin, Eddie Beckham and his Wife Alesia, William Beckham and Sandra Lewis. The loss of Thomas Beckham will also be greatly felt by his many Nieces, Nephews, Military and Neighborhood Friends.

Cemetery Details

Salisbury National Cemetery

501 Statesville Blvd.
Salisbury, NC 28144

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 3. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Antioch Missionary Baptist Church
232 Skyland Avenue
Charlotte, NC

Celebration of Life Service

JUN 3. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ He was the kindest most generous Uncle I have. I will forever cherish every moment I was blessed to share with him. I am thankful I was able to get him to the V.A. Hospital so that he would not have to make his transition unnoticed. I love you Uncle Tommy!!! 🎸👤💗💗💗🥹💗💗💗

Erica Lewis - June 03, 2023 at 03:07 PM

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“ I took this photo of Tommy and Mama standing outside of the Family home on Ellington Street many years ago...I miss You Big Brother!! Thank You for being a wonderful Brother and Friend...💚
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Sandra Beckham Lewis - June 03, 2023 at 03:26 AM

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“ .To the Beckham, We are so sad about Thomas's death, He was a good friend to my husband. Condolences to the family.

Caldwell and Hazeline Belk - June 02, 2023 at 09:50 PM