

OBITUARY

Luther "Clarence" Floyd, 84, of 15 Hollyhill Road entered into eternal rest on December 27, 2023. Clarence, a proud veteran, was affectionately known as "Hound Dog". He was born on October 29, 1939, to the late Rosa Lee Robinson Henderson and the late John Henry Stephens.

Clarence, a native of Woodruff, South Carolina attended New Prospect Church School, Cross Anchor School, and New Bethel School before enlisting in the U.S. Army. In 1959, Clarence enlisted into the Army after boxing two years as a middleweight in the Police Athletic League of Washington, D.C. He was a district champion. Clarence was Fort Jackson's light heavyweight champ. Clarence had a 35-5 boxing record. He fought with Army boxing teams in Denmark, Italy, Spain and about 15 other countries. He valued his service highly and attained the rank of an E5 Drill Sergeant and Staff Sergeant. As a part of his honorable service, he was recognized as a triple purple heart recipient, specifically for his heroic action during the Vietnam War.

After completing his tour in the military, converted over to the Muslim faith and embarked on an entrepreneurial journey where he opened a car wash, detailing service, a trucking company and temporarily worked as a radio broadcaster and concert promoter. His trucking company was very successful, allowing him to travel all across the United States. He was the owner of Floyd Trucking for several years until his health impelled him to retire.

He was preceded in death by; one daughter, Denise Love; three brothers; Willie Lewis Floyd, Willie E. Henderson Jr., and Stine Poole; one sister, Mary Nelle Smith; and one cousin, Claude "Guk" Robinson.

Clarence leaves to cherish fond memories; his wife, Jacqueline Floyd of Boligee, Alabama; one son, Luther James Floyd of Woodruff, SC; five daughters, Dianna Floyd of Woodruff, SC, Gail (Terry) Beagle of Simpsonville, SC, Kristine Floyd of Spartanburg, SC, Catherine Floyd of the home, and LaTreece Holts of Indiahead, Maryland; four step children; Joseph (Denise) Hutton, Charles (Donna) Hutton, Enza (Eric) Smith, and Brittney Hutton, all of Boligee, Alabama; 26 grandchildren & many great grandchildren; three special cousins; Betty Jo Watson and Nancy Robinson of Woodruff, SC and Melvin Robinson of Wilmington, NC; A life long friend (His barber), Johnny Muhammad; and a host of other relatives and friends.

ORDER OF SERVICE

Processional Family

Jannazah Prayer HM1 Nathan Pena
Grandson

Song Evangelist Betty Jo Watson
Cousin

The Scripture Readings:

Old and New Testament Rev. Derrick Scurry
St. John AME Zion Church
Columbia, South Carolina

Prayer Minister Allen Davis

Acknowledgements Ms. Rita Pearson

Reflections (2 minutes each) Mr. Clarence Cross, *Friend*
Mr. Johnny Muhammad, *Friend*
Mr. Luther Floyd, *Son*
Mrs. Khristle Floyd, *Granddaughter*

Song Mr. Ronald Browning

Words of Comfort Rev. Pierre Salmon
St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church
Spartanburg, South Carolina

Closing Prayer

Recessional Family

REPAST

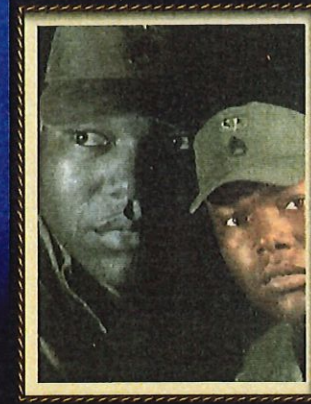
The American Legion Hut- Post #270 644 W Georgia Street
Woodruff, South Carolina
(Immediately following service)

FROM GREATNESS

He said, "We come from greatness. We set the bar." He taught us power in self and pride in who you are. He said, "If you aim for the sun, you can show them that you're the star. Be proud of your struggles, it showcases who you are. Be proud of what you bring, come as you are. But that outfit better be sharp so you can show them you're the star. We come from greatness. We set the bar." We thank you Grandpa for teaching us power in self and pride in who we are!

Written by Khristle Floyd

MEMORIES



INTERMENT

M.J. "Dolly" Cooper Veterans Cemetery
140 Inway Drive, Anderson, SC 29621
(Thursday, January 9, 2023 @ 10 am)

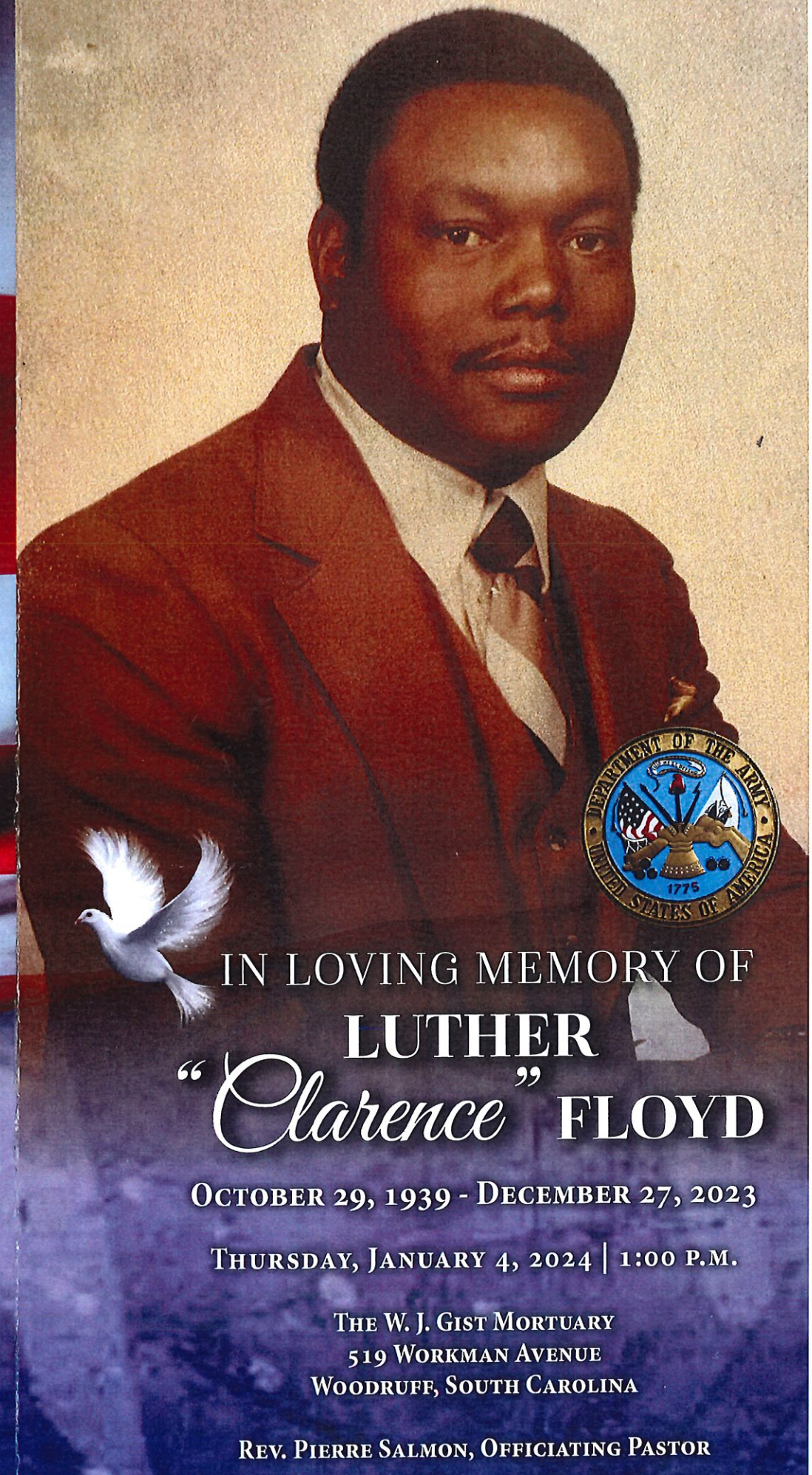
ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The family of Luther "Clarence" Floyd would like to express our deep appreciation for all of the acts of kindness shown to us during our time of grief. Thank you for your love, calls, text messages, social media posts, food, floral tributes and words of comfort and support. We pray that God continues to bless you abundantly.

ARRANGEMENTS ENTRUSTED TO:

The W.J. Gist Mortuary
519 Workman Avenue
Woodruff, South Carolina
Telephone 864-476-3411 or 864-476-6238

Alexander, Casey & Gist Funeral Service
1223 Old Anderson Mill Road
Spartanburg, South Carolina
Telephone 864-574-5465
wjgist.com



IN LOVING MEMORY OF LUTHER "Clarence" FLOYD

OCTOBER 29, 1939 - DECEMBER 27, 2023

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 2024 | 1:00 P.M.

THE W. J. GIST MORTUARY
519 WORKMAN AVENUE
WOODRUFF, SOUTH CAROLINA

REV. PIERRE SALMON, OFFICIATING PASTOR