



## Mr. Arkell Mason Thweatt Sr

December 5, 1930 - December 27, 2018

Mr. Arkell Mason Thweatt, Sr. of 3220 Dupuy Road, South Chesterfield, VA took the afternoon train to Heaven at 3:28pm on Thursday, December 27th from MCV Hospital in Richmond, VA.

Arkell, affectionately known as “Papa” by his family, was given an invitation from the Heavenly Father who said, “Come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest.” After serving 88 years here among family and friends his body decided it was time for a much-needed rest.

Arkell was born to loving parents, William Erasmus Thweatt and Estelle Fitzgerald Thweatt on December 5, 1930 in Petersburg, VA. He was one of six talented and busy siblings. He loved trains and built many models. He enjoyed working on cars, doing both furniture and automobile upholstery. He was an all-around handyman. Arkell gave his heart and life to Christ, was baptized and became a member of Gillfield Baptist Church. He married and fathered three children but raised many. He was employed by automobile dealerships, upholstery shops, and worked for Brown and Williamson Tobacco Corp. for 20 years. He was a graduate of Virginia State College (now University) and was active in church early on as a deacon, an usher, and a member of the Men’s Ensemble. Arkell was a former member of Petersburg Consistory #144, Petersburg, VA Scottish Rite; Abram #10 Lodge, Petersburg, VA; and Mocha Temple #7 Shriners, Richmond, VA.

He leaves to cherish his memory his wife of 52 years, Ida E. Thweatt; sons, Stephen A. Thweatt, Arkell M. Thweatt, Jr., and Marvin A. Williams; daughter,

Dr. Charlette H. Fairchild; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Effie M. Robinson (Granville Robinson, Jr.); many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Among them one very devoted niece, Carol E. Thweatt.

It was said somewhere, "God humbled Himself and joined an earthly family so that we may join a heavenly one." We must all remember memories make us who we are. Dreams make us who we will become. Arkell left each of us with both!

A Celebration of Life will be conducted 12 Noon, Thursday, January 3, 2019 at Gillfield Baptist Church, 209 Perry St., Petersburg with the Pastor, Rev. Dr. George W.C. Lyons, Jr., officiating. Interment to follow at Dinwiddie Memorial Park, Petersburg. Public Viewing will be on Wednesday, January 2, 2019 from 9 to 8 PM at the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

## **Dinwiddie Memorial Park**

7324 Church Rd.  
Petersburg, VA 23803

# Tribute Wall

CH

“ Sorry for the loss of your dear love one. May you find comfort and hope in God's promise to wipeout every year from their eyes and death will be no more. Condolences

CH - January 04, 2019 at 07:47 AM



“ Yellow & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Arkell Mason Thweatt Sr.



January 02, 2019 at 12:31 PM

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“ Phil & Barbara Phinise purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Mr. Arkell Mason Thweatt Sr.



Phil & Barbara Phinise - January 02, 2019 at 12:05 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Arkell Mason Thweatt Sr.



January 02, 2019 at 11:56 AM

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“ *Mr. and Mrs. Keith Ledet purchased the Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers for the family of Mr. Arkell Mason Thweatt Sr.*



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**Mr. and Mrs. Keith Ledet** - January 02, 2019 at 10:16 AM



“ *Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Arkell Mason Thweatt Sr.*



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January 02, 2019 at 09:16 AM



“ *White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Arkell Mason Thweatt Sr.*



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January 02, 2019 at 08:36 AM

VH

“ *RIP; and embrace the peace that our Lord gives His children. Pop was a kind and very talented man. He definitely left his mark on this earth and I am grateful! God Bless the Family.*



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**V Gibson Hawkins** - December 31, 2018 at 09:43 PM



“ Floor Plant for Sympathy was purchased for the family of Mr. Arkell Mason Thweatt Sr.



December 31, 2018 at 06:29 PM



“ So Sorry for the Family's LOSS. Ed & Connie Myshak, Lafayette, IN

connie myshak - December 31, 2018 at 11:27 AM



*Rest in peace papa Arkell*

Charles Mathers and Kathy Mathers - January 01, 2019 at 01:01 PM



“ Sorry for your loss



cynthia caldwell - December 30, 2018 at 06:22 PM



“ Remember Mr Thewett very well My Late Husband was very well Mr Thewett now take your rest



cynthia caldwell - December 30, 2018 at 06:20 PM

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“ *Ronell Thompson & Family. purchased the Healing Tears - Blue and White for the family of Mr. Arkell Mason Thweatt Sr.*



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**Ronell Thompson & Family.** - December 30, 2018 at 09:55 AM