

A Celebration of the Life of James Travis Toran

Sunrise
September 4, 1934

Sunset
June 27, 1995



Homegoing Services
Friday, June 30, 1995
11:00 a.m.

First Missionary Baptist Church
410 Scarbrough St.
Lufkin, Texas 75904

Officiating
Reverend J.D. Simmons

Obituary

Order of Service

Special Tribute

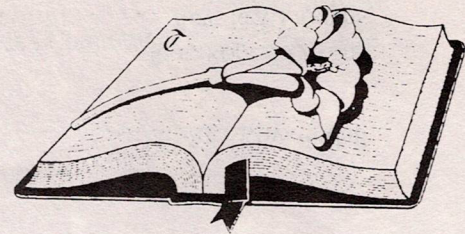
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The Life of Mr. James Travis Toran

- Born:** September 4, 1934 in Devers, Texas
- Parents:** Vard and Carrie Toran
- Marriage:** United in Holy Matrimony to Gloria Dean Toran in August 1960. From this marriage one child was born, Robbie Emilé Toran Pelham.
- Education:** Attended the Anahuac Public Schools. Received his high school diploma from G.W. Carver High School in Anahuac, Texas.
Received a Bachelor of Science in Physical Education and Social Science from Paul Quinn College, Waco, Texas. Did Graduate work at The University of Texas in Austin, Texas and Texas Southern University in Houston, Texas. Received a Special Education Certification from Stephen F. Austin University in Nacogdoches, Texas.
- Livelihood:** Corporal for the United States Army Engineers.
High School Science Teacher and Basketball Coach at Anahuac ISD for two years.
Served 30 years with the Lufkin ISD performing many teaching assignments: Science

Teacher/Coach/Vocational Adjustment Coordinator.
Life board member of the Angelina County Teachers Credit Union.
Manager of Ministry In Action Living Center.

- Residence:** Resided in Lufkin 34 years.
- Religion & Other Affiliations:** Member of Community Bible Tabernacle
Boy Scouts of America
Citizens Chamber of Commerce
Retired Teachers Association
Texas Association of Vocational-Adjustment Coordinators
Concerned Black Men of Lufkin
Lords of T.L.O.D.



- Demised:** Departed this life Tuesday, June 27, 1995 at Woodland Heights Memorial Hospital.
- Surviving Relatives:** wife, Gloria Toran of Lufkin, Texas; daughter and son-in-law Robbie and Dwight Pelham of Humble, Texas; granddaughter, Daina Pelham; sisters & brother-in-law, Hazel & Russell Pete and Pearlle & Alfred Austin both of Beaumont, Texas; nephews, Charles Johnson of Missouri City, Texas and Clayton Austin of Beaumont, Texas.

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Mistress of Ceremonies Virginia Bagley

Prelude Viola Kuykendall

Rev. J.D. Simmons, Officiating

Processional

Instrumental Music "The Blood Will Never Lose Its Power" Viola Kuykendall

Scriptures Old Testament *Blessed is the man* Rev. Robert Owens
New Testament *John 14:1-3* Rev. Roy Goeys

Prayer *Dan Garcia* Appointee

Instrumental Music "How Great Thou Art" Viola Kuykendall

Resolutions and Acknowledgements First Baptist - Hospice of the Pines-
Virginia Bagley

A Shemar DeBoll - Yvonne Lewis - Community Bible Tabernacle
B.C. Brown
Stanley Lewis Church and Family Friend - Stanley Lewis, M.D.
Lufkin Independent School District - R.H. Miller
A Co-Worker - Lacy Chimney ✓
The Family - Alvin R. Cook ✓
Ricke Brown Angelina Co. Teachers Credit Union Board Member - Gloria Minetrea ✓
Beatrice Ferguson
Anahwa Others - Limit 1-2 mins.

Eulogy *St. Baptist John 14:1-3* Rev. J.D. Simmons

Parting View *Song I Have Heard by a Land* Funeral Directors in Charge
New Stripped

Recessional Funeral Directors in Charge

"When We All Get To Heaven"

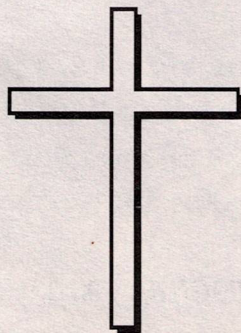
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The Mountain So Steep

*Climbing this mountain
sometimes my foot gives way,
As I start to feel discouraged, I hear You say,
Give Me your hand,
let's get you back on your feet,
Follow My footsteps and this mountain
will not seem so steep,
Though many paths, the choice is your own,
But no matter your choice,
you will not walk alone,
For I know each of the paths, even the longest,
Though they may seem more steep,
they'll make you the strongest,
When you reach the peak of the mountain
you'll feel the reward,
Look to the heavens
and give thanks to your Lord,
The footprints you followed
you didn't have to choose,
You'll realize whichever path,
you didn't win or lose,
For the purpose of this climb
is to build your faith,
"I'll not leave you nor forsake you,"
the Lord saith,
Though His mountain was steep.....*



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Active Pallbearers

Charles L.H. Hunt
T.L. Williams
Clearance Mark
Charles Taylor
Lester Tutt

Herbert Cross
Charles Johnson
Dwight Pelham
Jerry Gloston
Jyce Thomas

Honorary Pallbearers

Lords of Top Ladies of Distinction
Concerned Black Men of Lufkin

Flower Bearers

Top Ladies of Distinction
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority
Ladies of Community Bible Tabernacle

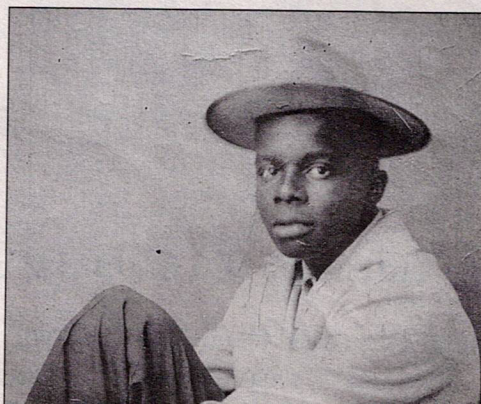
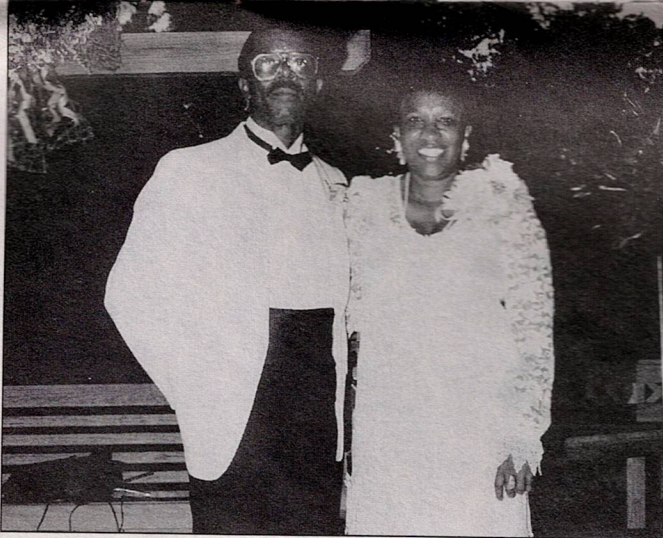
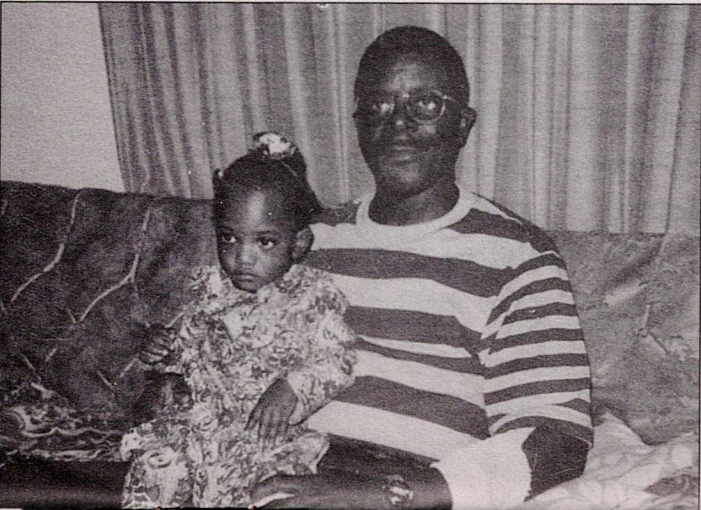
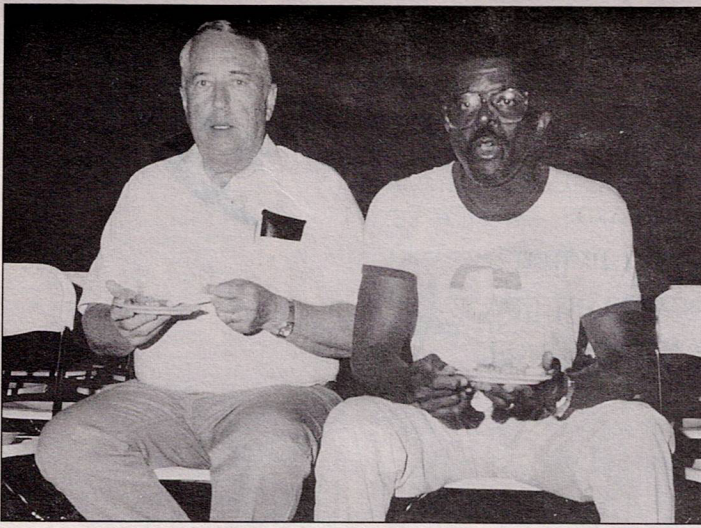
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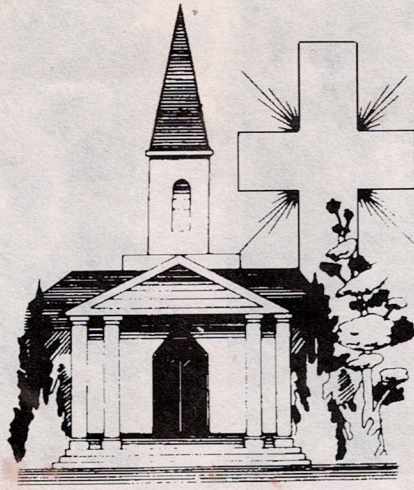
The family of James Travis Toran wishes to express sincere appreciation to M.D. Anderson Medical Staff/the Staff at Woodland Heights Medical Center/ and Hospice in the Pines Services and Staff/ for flowers, cards, food, prayers and any other acts of condolence that may have been expressed during our hour of sorrow.

The Toran Family

Food for the family and friends
will be served in the fellowship
hall at the conclusion of the
service until 1:00 p.m.







Services Entrusted To Colonial Mortuary

Funeral Directors: Ozell Davis, Ronald Davis

Secretary-Treasurer: Willie M. Davis

Staff Advisors: Lillie B. Davis, Don Boyd

Attendant: Thomas Davis

Attendant: John Sigler