

*Celebrating the Life of*



*Albert Gilliam Spivey*

**SUNRISE: February 3, 1934**

**SUNSET: October 25, 2022**

**Saturday, October 29, 2022 - 3pm**

**UNITY FUNERAL CHAPELS, INC.**

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# Obituary

**Albert Gilliam Spivey**, 88, passed away on October 25, 2022 from brain injuries he sustained after falling victim to a massive stroke earlier this month. He was a retired bus driver from New York Bus Service and a resident of Co-op City, Bronx, New York.

Albert Spivey was born to Annie Lear Spivey and Thomas Gilliam on February 3, 1934 in Windsor, North Carolina. He left home at an early age and relocated to New York City, where he met, married and raised four children with Mary Outley. He worked in the garment district, drove taxi cabs and limousines and was eventually employed as a driver for New York Bus Service, which became part of the Metropolitan Transit Authority. He retired in 1994.

He loved all sports, great soul and gospel singers, cowboy movies and TV shows. And although he was quiet and spent a lot of time to himself, he revealed a keen sense of humor when he was in an entertaining mood.

He was very active in the Masons. Masons and their charities contribute for the relief of need in many fields, such as education, health and old age.

He was preceded in death by his eldest son, Glenn Spivey, Sr., who passed away in 2020. He is survived by his sister, Mary Dingle of Land O' Lakes, Florida; a daughter, Diane C. Wade of Springhill, Florida; and sons, Steven A. Spivey of Lithonia, Georgia and Albert G. Spivey, Jr. of Rex, Georgia.

Albert Spivey also leaves behind nine grandchildren: Glenn Spivey, Jr. of Gastonia, Georgia, Syncere Spivey of Winston Salem, North Carolina, Monique Chaney of Valdosta, Georgia, James Spivey of Austin, Texas, Maya Spivey of Delaware, Maryland, Cameron Wade, Jr. of Stone Mountain, Georgia, Kira Wade of Conyers, Georgia, Tyesha Turnball of San Diego, California, Iesha Cobbs of Rex, Georgia, Infinite Cobbs of San Antonio, Texas, Travis Salters of Bronx, New York and Donte Salters of Kansas City, Missouri.

His large, beautiful family also included eight great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews. He was a father-figure, a mentor and a dear friend to all those who were fortunate enough to benefit from his wisdom, kindness and generosity.

# *Order of Service*

**Processional**

**Selection**

**Scripture Readings**

**Prayer**

**Selection**

**Acknowledgements**

**Remarks**

**Obituary**

**Selection**

**Eulogy**

**Committal**

**Viewing**

**Recessional**

**INTERMENT:**  
Pinelawn Memorial Park Cemetery  
Farmingdale, New York

There lived a man of gentle heart and soul,  
Who lead a life of modest wants and cares.

There seemed to be a commonality  
With all of human kind but, deep beneath  
That unity there lay a virtue that  
Would constitute his character; a man  
Of principle, a gentleman, a man  
With tender core that set him far apart  
From those of generality. Candid,  
And unsuspecting, he possessed a clean  
And unpretentious frankness of a pure  
And humble nature; wisdom deeper than  
It seemed; so simple, practical and clear,  
As to its relevance which, bore the fruits  
Of his integrity. Reliable  
As husband, father, and provider,  
Who gave to us, and life, his very best.  
Well may posterity be grateful for  
His memory; as he left a legacy,  
An inheritance, of goodness, insight  
And judgment, for all of us to emulate.

## *Acknowledgement*

*The family acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended to them during this bereavement hour. May God bless you for all your thoughtfulness and concern.*

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