

Tommie Summerville

July 29, 1928 - July 30, 2020

On July 30, 2020, Tommie Lewis Summerville peacefully passed in the presence of his family. He was a resident at Park on Franklin in Southfield, Michigan but spent most of his life in Detroit. He was a proud and determined man.

He is survived by his wife, Delessie, three sons, Lynn (Lora), Wendell (Breeze) and T.L. (Shaun), one daughter, Evelyn (friend Maurice Dortch), five granddaughters, Cierra Tounsel, Kuatesha Nash, Johari Summerville, Imani Summerville and Olivia Summerville, one grandson, Everett Summerville, one great-grandson, Kaleb Scott, two sisters, Katie Summerville and Jean McCoy, close family friend Sharon Finley, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

He served his country during the Korean War as a member of the United States Army and received an Honorable Discharge. In 1956, he graduated from Alabama A&M University where he played football and baseball and joined Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Later, he moved to Detroit where he began a career as an educator, working in Detroit and Inkster. He was a member of Carter Metropolitan CME Church and organized a youth mentoring program in Detroit. He was also a successful business owner.

The visitation viewing will be held on August 6th at Kemp Funeral Home

(24585 Evergreen Rd, Southfield, MI 48075) from 4 to 7pm. A private funeral service will be held on August 7th.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services
24585 Evergreen Rd
Southfield, MI 48075
(248) 702-5367
info@kempfh.com
<https://www.kempfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

AUG 7. 12:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Tommie Summerville*



Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services - August 07, 2020 at 12:08 PM

BA

On behalf of The Hill Family Circle of Birmingham AL we send our deepest heart felt condolences to our beloved Summerville family . Prayers are with you all . We love you.

Belinda Hill Thomas B'ham AL/Sidney's - August 07, 2020 at 02:05 PM



Thank you very much!

Evelyn Summerville - August 07, 2020 at 03:55 PM

WJ

On behalf of JoeAnn Johnson and family of Gadsden, AL we send our deepest sympathy and love. All our prayers are in your hearts already. We love you all and keep lifted up in prayer.

Wilma Jordan - August 11, 2020 at 02:10 PM



Thank you all so much!

Evelyn Summerville - August 12, 2020 at 05:10 PM

DF

On behalf of the Lewis Summerville family from Aliceville Alabama, we send prayers and condolences from our hearts to yours. Dr. Linda Summerville Forte'

Dr. Linda Summerville Forte' - August 13, 2020 at 09:41 PM



Thank you for your prayers.

Evelyn Summerville - August 14, 2020 at 09:41 AM



“ *Tommie Summerville*

September 27, 2022 at 08:40 PM



“ *Tommie Summerville*

September 27, 2022 at 06:52 PM

LC

“ *Louise Clark lit a candle in memory of Tommie Summerville*



Louise Clark - October 10, 2020 at 03:55 PM

LG

“ My name is Lynda Graham-Logan. I was employed by Mr. Summerville in 1976, at Fellrath Middle School in Inkster, Michigan. He hired me to teach Home Economics, and later, English.

I remember, when he discovered that I was in school, pursuing a Master's Degree in Guidance & Counseling Education, he gave me some very wise advice. " Why don't you get a degree in Foods. People will always have to eat!" Once again, that was wise advice, however, I was very young at that time, so I really didn't understand why he made that suggestion. What a leader!

I will always remember Mr. Summerville. He gave me my first contract as a new teacher. I loved every moment working under his leadership!

Thanks to Mr. Summerville, I retired from teaching on June 8, 2018, after being in the field of Education for 44 years (I substitute taught in Detroit for 2 years prior)!

I am sad that you are no longer with us, Mr. Summerville. You made such a difference in my life as an Educator, but I know that you are resting in peace with the Lord!

May God Bless the Family of Mr. Tommie Summerville!!

Sincerely,

Ms. Lynda Graham-Logan

Lynda Graham-Logan - August 23, 2020 at 05:47 PM



Thanks for sharing your story Lynda! God bless you.

Evelyn Summerville - August 31, 2020 at 05:15 PM

BK

“ *The family of the late Presiding Elder Sidney and Inez Hill wishes to express our deepest sympathy to our beloved Summerville family. We were saddened by news of your loss, but hope our thoughts and prayers will support you at this time.*

Love, Barbara Hill Kennedy and the Hill Family

Barbara Kennedy - August 07, 2020 at 09:43 PM



Thank you Barbara! ❤️

Evelyn Summerville - August 08, 2020 at 07:10 PM

TH

“ *Our prayers are with the family . that was a good home going celebration that we watched on the webcast today. Feel free to call on us if yawl need anything!! . Tommie, lived a good life and will be missed*

*Timothy Hill and family
Memphis Tn*

Timothy Hill - August 07, 2020 at 02:04 PM



Thank you Timothy!

Evelyn Summerville - August 08, 2020 at 07:11 PM

AP

“ Adaeze Pettway lit a candle in memory of Tommie Summerville



Adaeze Pettway - August 06, 2020 at 08:51 PM

AP

“ Tommie Summerville served his community well. I am glad to have met him through AAMU Alumni. He will be missed. RIH.

Adaeze Pettway - August 06, 2020 at 08:50 PM



Yes, he did. Thank you.

Evelyn Summerville - August 08, 2020 at 07:12 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Tommie Summerville.



August 06, 2020 at 03:43 PM

DH

“ Deepest sympathy and condolences to family of dearly departed Mr. Summerville. We will always remember him fondly and cherish work memories, his visits with our family and supporting community service groups. Feel free to contact us if our assistance is ever needed. -- Allean H. House and Darlene House

Darlene House - August 06, 2020 at 12:14 PM



Thank you very much.

Evelyn Summerville - August 08, 2020 at 07:13 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Tommie Summerville.*



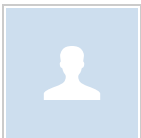
August 05, 2020 at 11:12 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tommie Summerville.*



August 05, 2020 at 11:03 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Tommie Summerville.*



August 04, 2020 at 03:43 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Tommie Summerville.



August 04, 2020 at 01:11 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Tommie Summerville.



August 04, 2020 at 12:43 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Tommie Summerville.



August 03, 2020 at 11:54 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Tommie Summerville.



August 03, 2020 at 11:05 AM