



# Howard Palmer

AUG 28, 1934 - DEC 30, 2024



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## Howard Palmer

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**H**oward Palmer, 90, of Chattanooga, passed away Monday, December 30, 2024, in a local healthcare facility. He was born on August 28, 1934, to Grady and Ella Louise Palmer. He was the 3rd of 6 children born to his parents. He was raised in the Fort Cheatam community in Chattanooga. In 1951, Howard enlisted in the US Air Force and served his country in the Korean War until he was honorably discharged in 1961 after 10 years of service. He married the love of his life, Betty Wilkerson Palmer, and they were married for 59 years. Howard was preceded in death by his parents and five siblings, brothers, Ernest Palmer and George Palmer, sisters, Bertha Smith, Louise Davis, and Julia Palmer. He leaves to cherish his memory, wife of 59 years, Betty Palmer; son, Howard Timothy Palmer of Nashville, TN; daughters, Cheryl (Edwin) Paris of Chattanooga, TN and Desonya Washington Sims of Atlanta, GA; brother-in-law, Richard (Mary) Wiggins of Bridgeport, AL; and sister-in-law, Dorothy Palmer; three grandchildren, Ronald Talley of Nashville, TN, Danielle Sims of Atlanta, GA, and Corey Palmer of Chattanooga, TN. His survivors also include 5 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; other relatives and friends. Howard will lie-in-state on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, at 9 a.m. at Taylor Funeral Home. Funeral service will follow at 1 p.m. in the chapel with Pastor Calvin Smith as the Eulogist. Burial on Monday, January 13, 2025, at 12:30 p.m. in Chattanooga National Cemetery.



# Events

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## Lie-In-State

**Wednesday**, January 8, 2025

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM ET

**Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc**  
3417 Wilcox Boulevard, Chattanooga TN 37411



## Service

**Wednesday**, January 8, 2025

1:00 PM - 2:30 PM ET

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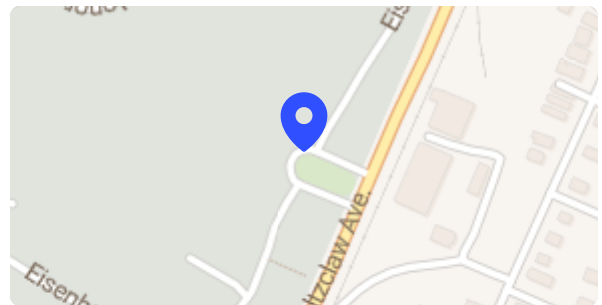


## Burial

**Monday**, January 13, 2025

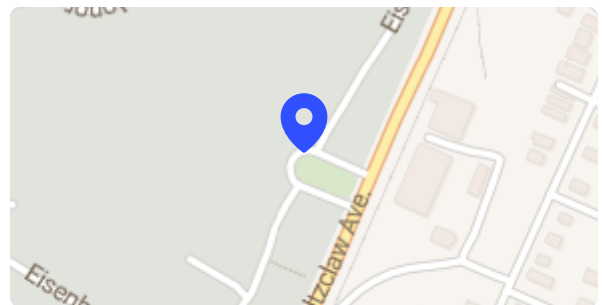
12:30 PM - 1:00 PM ET

**Chattanooga National Cemetery**  
1200 Bailey Ave, Chattanooga TN 37404



## Cemetery Details

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# Tribute Wall

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**Angela Locklin** posted:

Praying for the family.

February 7 at 3:33 AM



**Regina Patten Hickman** lit a candle in honor of Howard.

May you find comfort in knowing that God promises that we can see our loved ones again. His precious time on this earth and with you brought so much joy. May he remain in your hearts and souls for eternity and may you find some sense of comfort knowing he is in a better place and at peace. With Our Heartfelt Sympathy Van and Patten Regina Hickman



January 8 at 1:01 PM



**Van E Hickman** sent a virtual gift in honor of Howard.

He Is Gone You can shed tears that he is gone or smile because he has lived. You can close your eyes and pray that he will come back. Or you can open your eyes and see all that he has left. Your heart can be empty because you can't see him, or you can be full of the love that you shared. You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday. Or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday. You can remember him, but only that he is gone. Or you can cherish his memory and, let it live on. You can cry and close your mind be empty and turn your back. Or you can do what he would want smile, open your eyes, love, and go on. David Harkin With Our Deepest Sympathy, Van and Regina Patten Hickman



January 8 at 11:29 AM



**Lisa Jones** lit a candle in honor of Howard.

Our sincere condolences to the entire Palmer family. The Johnson Sisters aka Granny Bertha's granddaughters

January 8 at 9:02 AM



**Com. Greg And Pat Beck** sent a virtual gift in honor of Howard.

January 8 at 6:53 AM





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**Sandra E Jordan** lit a candle in honor of Howard.

January 8 at 5:28 AM



**Deborah Johnson** sent a virtual gift in honor of Howard.

To the Palmer Family, know that earth has no sorrow that Heaven cannot heal.

January 7 at 1:51 PM



**Laretta Harrison** lit a candle in honor of Howard.

January 7 at 8:56 AM



**Henrietta Erskine** posted:

Praying for each family member during this difficult season of bereavement. May God strengthen and keep you all in perfect peace as you celebrate the life of Howard Palmer. I have known this family most of my life. Continue to cherish the life and legacy in the days to come. Blessings and love to each and every one of you...Pastor Henrietta Erskine-Olivet Baptist Church 🧡💜

January 6 at 10:23 AM



**Dank Hawkins** January 7 at 2:29 PM

Howard A very good family man from the neighborhood ( Jefferson & 18th St, he was well loved & liked by all who knew him, he will be missed, RIP & to My Elementary, Jr Hi & High School Classmate ( Cheryl her Mom , her Sister & Brother, May God have a Blessing on each of you during this difficult time, " No words can touch wht the family has experienced during this difficult time in the loss of their loved one ( Howard) May Gods Continued Blessings be with you all. ( Dank Hawkins & Family)



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RW

**Richelle L. White** sent a virtual gift in honor of Howard.

We will miss you Unc. You were always kind and funny and would always have a quick comeback that would have us laughing. We KNOW Granny was at Heaven's gate waiting to give you her famous bear hugs. Reunited with your siblings now. This is NOT good-bye but only see you later. We love you. Richelle and Taylor

January 4 at 12:31 PM



PF

**Phyllis Patten Fleming** lit a candle in honor of Howard.

Phyllis Patten Fleming lit a candle in memory of Mr. Howard Palmer.

January 4 at 8:48 AM



LR

**Lera Richmond** lit a candle in honor of Howard.

January 4 at 6:18 AM



DM

**Dorothy Talley Mays** lit a candle in honor of Howard.

January 3 at 3:22 PM



LR

**Larry & Gloria Robinson- Richelle & Rick** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Howard.

January 3 at 1:13 PM



LR

**Larry & Gloria Robinson- Richelle & Rick** sent an Amazing Arboricola to the Palmer family.

January 3 at 1:13 PM





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**Viola Douthit** posted:

We will always remember our beloved neighbor, and friend, Mr. Palmer who was so very helpful, with advice and deeds. Even, taking time out to show hubby the correct way to tackle our hilly lawn. We will miss him sitting outside and waving to all who passed by. May you rest in heavenly peace, Mr. Palmer. 🙏❤️🙏

January 3 at 7:24 AM



**Viola Douthit** lit a candle in honor of Howard.

On behalf of the Olivet Baptist Church Bereavement Support Ministry, our love, thoughts, and prayers are with our Bereavement member, BSM Sister Cheryl, and the entire family at this difficult time.



January 3 at 7:08 AM



**Jeffery Smith** lit a candle in honor of Howard.



January 3 at 12:43 AM



**Jeffery Smith & Family** lit a candle in honor of Howard.



January 3 at 12:39 AM

**JF** **Jeffery Smith & Family** January 3 at 12:41 AM  
Condolences to the Palmer family



**Edna Talley** lit a candle in honor of Howard.



January 2 at 10:34 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Howard by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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