



## Rev. Edward Ell Turner

September 17, 1952 - July 10, 2023

Rev. Edward Ell Turner was born on September 17, 1952 in Talladega, Alabama, to the late Ell Turner, Jr. and the late Dora Bell Kirksey Turner. He was one of five children.

Rev. Turner accepted Christ at a young age and was baptized in Jesus Name receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit at Union Springs Missionary Baptist Church. He was a faithful servant of the Lord working diligently in his vineyard. Later in life he became an ordained minister and was pastor of Mt. Grove in Heflin, Al for several years before the Lord guided his path to become the leader of Refuge Missionary Baptist Church in Ragland, AL where he continuously served faithfully until his passing. He was educated in the Talladega County School System and graduated from Ophelia S. Hill High School. With the Class of 1970. Upon completing high school, Rev. Turner worked various jobs, but in 1974 he made the decision to serve his country for four years by enlisting in the US Airforce. Rev. Turner was a true example of Titus 1:8 as he was a great leader and a man of integrity that refused to compromise on matters of principle. He dedicated his life to sharing the good news of Jesus Christ to all. He was a good listener and a great confidant. Rev. Turner was a very outgoing person who enjoyed traveling and living life to the fullest. Once returning home to civilian life, Rev. Turner became employed at Anniston Army Depot as a mechanic. After over 38 years of dedicated service, he retired to spend time with his family, enjoy and live life. Rev. Turner was a

passionate fisherman and loved to fish. He was also a master griller who loved to barbeque while listening to his Blues music. If you wanted a good laugh, just talk to Rev. Turner because he was a big talker and was always laughing and kept you laughing. He was an avid Auburn football fan and if he knew you were a War Eagle fan, then you became his favorite person. He was always humble and respectful to all he encountered.

Early Monday morning, July 10, 2023 Rev. Edward Ell Turner peacefully answered the call of the Master saying "Well Done My Good and Faithful Servant" while in the comfort of his home surrounded by loved ones. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ell and Dora Turner and sisters, Essie Lee Vorns of Chicago, IL and Virginia Turner of Talladega, Alabama.

Rev. Turner's precious memories will forever be cherished by his three devoted sons, Rodrick Cunningham, Phd., Quincy (Bioncia) Turner, and Demetrius Turner; four grandchildren, Brianna Smith, Brittany Turner, Janiya Williams, and Journee' Cunningham; Godchildren, Doria Kelly (Bruce) Morgan; Joseph Lamar Kelly; two brothers, Willis David (Lydia) Turner of McKeesport, PA and Willie Charles (Edna) turner of Rockford, IL; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

JUL 16. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Home  
217 Coosa St. East  
Talladega, AL 35160

## Celebration of Life

JUL 17. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Union Springs Baptist Church  
3668 Eastaboga Road  
Talladega, AL 35160

# Tribute Wall



“ *Patricia Turner lit a candle in memory of Rev. Edward Ell Turner*



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**Patricia Turner** - July 15, 2023 at 10:51 PM

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“ *Jackie Williams Hall lit a candle in memory of Rev. Edward Ell Turner*



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**Jackie Williams Hall** - July 14, 2023 at 11:44 PM

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*My sincere prayers and Condolences to the family!!! 🙏💔😭🌹*

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**Jackie Williams Hall** - July 14, 2023 at 11:45 PM

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“ *To our first cousin Edward Ell as we affectionately called you. I have never seen you without a smile on your face. You were apart of our family and you will truly be missed dearly. I pray you are resting in heaven. We love you always Vanessa Boswell - AKA Trice.*

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**Vanessa Minter** - July 13, 2023 at 12:29 PM

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“ *Cousin Boochie, im glad I had the chance to meet you and shared a few laughs with you. I will always remember you. R.I.P., sincere condolences to the remaining Family and Friends .. TWYowSr*



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**Terry Yow Sr** - July 12, 2023 at 02:39 PM