



Nathaniel Player Sr

October 15, 1940 - October 1, 2022

Mr. Nathaniel Player, Sr. was born on October 15, 1940 to the parentage of Lawrence D. Gaddis and Luevator Estelle in Talladega, Alabama.

Mr. Player accepted Christ at a young age and united with Mt. Moriah Missionary Baptist Church where he was a member of the deacon board. He was educated in the Talladega County School system and from this comprehension, he was able to gain employment with the Birmingham Housing Authority. After nearly twenty-five years of commuting from Alpine to Birmingham on a daily basis, Mr. Player retired and lived his life to the fullest.

As Mr. Player traveled this 81-year earthly journey, he met the beautiful Mary Frances Swain. He and Mary Frances soon became one when they were united in Holy Matrimony and to this union, three children were born, Eleanor, Julius, and Nathaniel, Jr. Mr. Player, known as "Pete" to some and "Lil Pete" to others was a loving and caring grandfather. He loved his grandchildren with all his heart and each one on them bared a name that he had given them in addition to their birth name. If you knew him, you know his conversation would always start off with "Let Me Tell You About My Grandchildren". He loved talking to people and keeping up with all the latest news in the community.

On the morning of Saturday, October 1, 2022, Nathaniel Player, Sr. was called from labor to eternal rest as he transitioned from this 81-year walk of life while

under the care of Southern Care New Beacon Hospice at Brookwood Citizen's Baptist Medical Center. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Mary Frances Swain Player, parents, Lawrence D. Gaddis and Luevator Estelle, sisters, Maezonia Smith and Evelyn Patterson, brother, James Estelle, and granddaughter, Julia "Peaches" Player.

Mr. Player is survived by his five children, Eleanor (Roy) Swain, Julius Player, Sr., Nathaniel (Angela) Player, Jr., Bernadine Garrett, and Alpha (Lee) Finnie; grandchildren, Constance Garrett, Cortney (Martika) Swain, Dr. April (Rolley) Jones, Derek Swain, Julius Player, Jr., Sydney Player, LaDerrick Stamps, Ashley Ann Woolverton, Ashlyn Grace Stone, Curtis (Lakedria) Garrett, Tavius Garrett, Markeise (Bernard) Twymon; great-grandchildren, Chasity Player, Dakayla Swain, Tarius Garrett, Jr., Madison Rice, Julia Garrett, Nia Jones, Cortlynn Swain, Rolley Jones, Ezra Swain, Azlynn and Alora Swain, Jasmine, Brian, Asiah, Tristan, Omarie, Kaylie, Ariauna, Jacobie, Alyssa, Anyssa, Aubrey, Kylia, Jordan, Iv'Bri and D'Aire; sister, Judy Estelle; brother, John E. Player, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

Previous Events

Public Viewing

OCT 7. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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

Celebration of Life

OCT 8. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

VS

“ My Deepest Sympathy and Condolences to the Family,.Mr. Nathaniel was one of my dearest customers when I was Manager at Family Dollar.He always had a big smile and a kind word.Prayers for Strength and Comfort to the Family, Rest In Paradise My Friend



Valerie Stockdale - October 07, 2022 at 09:50 PM

DC

“ Rest on Mr. Player

Danielle Chatman - October 07, 2022 at 09:06 PM

TM

“ Uncle Pete you will forever be in our hearts. I know Big Mama, Granny and my Momma welcome you with open arms up in Heaven!

Terriell Mc - October 07, 2022 at 05:15 PM

KF

“ I love ❤️ you Uncle Pete❤️ You always made me laugh 😂 I know you and Grandma chopping it up right now ❤️



Kimberly Ford - October 07, 2022 at 12:33 PM

LW

“ *My condolences praying for the family*



Linda Faye Williams - October 07, 2022 at 12:50 AM

JH

“ *Jackie Williams Hall lit a candle in memory of Nathaniel Player Sr*



Jackie Williams Hall - October 04, 2022 at 10:44 PM

JH

My sincere prayers and Condolences to the Player family!!! 🙏💔😞🌹

Jackie Williams Hall - October 04, 2022 at 10:45 PM

ER

*Rest in Heaven Uncle Pete
Yolanda, Erica, Dj and Fred*

Erica Rivers - October 05, 2022 at 02:06 PM

TC

“ *Theresa Cook lit a candle in memory of Nathaniel Player Sr*



Theresa Cook - October 04, 2022 at 02:27 PM

TP

“ *My condolences to the Player family. RIP Mr. Player*

Tammy Player - October 04, 2022 at 09:37 AM

GW

“ *Gwendolyn Wilson sent a virtual gift in memory of Nathaniel Player Sr*



Gwendolyn Wilson - October 03, 2022 at 08:38 PM

KC

“ *KATHLEEN CARTER sent a virtual gift in memory of Nathaniel Player Sr*



KATHLEEN CARTER - October 03, 2022 at 09:35 AM

GW

“ *Gwendolyn Wilson sent a virtual gift in memory of Nathaniel Player Sr*



Gwendolyn Wilson - October 02, 2022 at 08:07 PM

SF

“ Sharon Fluker lit a candle in memory of Nathaniel Player Sr



Sharon Fluker - October 02, 2022 at 08:54 AM

HE

“ Condolences to the Player family. You are in our prayers

Helen Millender

Helenmillender@gmail.com - October 01, 2022 at 10:20 PM

PB

“ My deepest condolences to the Player family.

Pamela Bradford - October 01, 2022 at 06:00 PM

MM

“ Pete you pull one on me this time, never thought this would happen I thought few days in the hospital, Pete will be alright but nevertheless we gonna miss you O Buddy me and Nessa Pearl both. My condolences to the family



Minister Zeola Moore - October 01, 2022 at 03:44 PM