



## Mr. Ozie Pearson Jr.

November 21, 1948 - September 14, 2025

Bro. Ozie B. Pearson, Jr., age 76, of Jackson, Tennessee, departed this life on Sunday, September 14, 2025, at the home of his daughter, Tonya L. Tomlin. He was born on November 21, 1948, in Jackson, Tennessee, the son of the late Ozie B. Pearson, Sr., and Lorine Dixson Pearson.

He was educated in the Jackson school system and attended Merry High School, where he was a proud member of the basketball team. At an early age, he obeyed the gospel and became a faithful member of the Church of Christ.

Throughout his life, Bro. Pearson worked in many places, including The New Southern Hotel, Fiberglass, Devilbiss, Bruce Lumber Company, the YMCA, and Kroger. Known for his friendly and outgoing spirit, he never met a stranger—if he didn't know personally, he surely knew one of their family members. After retirement, he continued pursuing his passion for repairing lawnmowers and power tools. He also loved cooking and was especially known for his skill as a grill master.

In 1975, Bro. Pearson was united in marriage to the late Bewilda Jean Pearson, and to this joyous union, two children were born. He was previously married to Gerlene Autry Pearson.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers, Mac Chester Pearson, Phillip Winston Pearson, and Willie Edward Pearson; nephew, Steven Green; niece, Tonya Green; two great-nephews, Xavier "Pokey" Clark and Winston Demond Pearson; and two brothers-in-law, Thomas Staten and James Trice.

He leaves to cherish his memory: his children, Tonya L. Tomlin of Denmark, TN, Ozie B. Pearson III of Jackson, TN, and Bryan Junard Pearson, Sr. (Tammy Wells) of Paris, TN; his three sisters, Barbara L. Hull of Memphis, TN, Phyllis Staten, and Beauton Trice, both of Jackson, TN; six beloved grandchildren, Kennedi Bryanna Pearson of Carol Stream, IL, Atlantis Lanay Pearson, Xavion Junard Pearson, Bryan Zavon Pearson, Jr. of Milan, TN, Rose Pearson, and Faith Alexandria Pearson, both of Jackson, TN; his aunt, LaEunice Martin, and uncle, Earl Dixson, both of Indianapolis, IN. He also leaves three nieces, Tara Ann Person of Memphis, TN, Lorerela Overton Pearson of Jackson, TN, and Edwena Pearson of Iowa City, IA; three nephews, Brandon Pearson (Samuel), Christopher Staten of Jackson, TN, and Henry Shonn McClendon (Letisia) of Shiloh, IL; along with a host of great-nieces, great-nephews, other relatives, and dear friends.

He will be remembered as a devoted father, grandfather, brother, and friend whose kindness, humor, and generosity touched the lives of many. His legacy of love, faith, and hard work will live on in all who knew him

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **18.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Stephenson-Shaw Funeral Home, Inc.  
807 N. Hays Avenue  
Jackson, TN 38301  
(731) 427-7411  
info@stephenson-shaw.com  
<https://www.stephenson-shaw.com>

## Celebration of Life

SEP **19.** 11:00 AM (CT)

East Jackson Church of Christ  
1461 East Chester Street  
Jackson, TN 38301

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jessie Moore lit a candle in memory of Ozie Pearson*



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**Jessie Moore** - September 19, 2025 at 12:16 PM

BE

“ *I met Ozie when I first became a employee at the YMCA, at that time he was a member. We became friends and in later years, Ozzie became an employee of the Y. That was over 30 years ago. He was such a great guy and a pleasure to work with him.*



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**Barbara ErvinLong** - September 19, 2025 at 03:00 AM

BM

“ *Sorry for your loss, sending thoughts and prayers to the family. God bless.*



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**Betty McBride** - September 18, 2025 at 12:04 PM

VB

“ *My prayers for the entire family comfort during this time of bereavement. Ozie will truly be missed.* ”



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**Virginia Bonds** - September 18, 2025 at 03:42 AM

LB

“ *Prayers for his family* ”



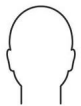
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**Lakeshia Brooks** - September 17, 2025 at 01:51 PM



“ *You will be truly missed and loved by so many! I'm going to miss the conversations about music, the places you been. Gone but never forgotten* 💔😭❤️🙏 ”



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**Tammy Wells** - September 17, 2025 at 07:31 AM



“ *Jam Mor lit a candle in memory of Ozie Pearson* ”



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**Jam Mor** - September 17, 2025 at 12:04 AM

JC

“ Precious memories of Ozie will forever be in the hearts of Merry High Class 1966. With love and prayers, Julia.



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**Julia V Cotton** - September 16, 2025 at 06:36 PM

BP

“ Bryan Pearson sent a virtual gift in memory of Ozie Pearson



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**Bryan Pearson** - September 16, 2025 at 01:10 AM

AP

“ I remember one summer coming up there to Jackson and you took Jordan, Ryan, Winston and me to hoop RIP Uncle Ozie

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**Anthony Person** - September 15, 2025 at 10:25 PM