



## Mr. Settle William Townsend Sr.

July 6, 1931 - January 24, 2014

Mr. Settle William Townsend, Sr. was born July 6th, 1931 in Clarksville Tennessee to the late John Thomas and Maggie Townsend. He is preceded in death by two siblings; Katie Townsend and Mary Deanie Townsend Cobb. He died peacefully on January 24th, 2014. Settle accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior at an early age and was a member of First Baptist Capitol Hill until the time of his death.

Upon graduating from Burt High School in Clarksville and at the urging of Dr. Robert Burt, Settle came to Nashville and enrolled at Tennessee State University (TSU) where he majored in Biology. After serving time in the United States Army and receiving a honorable discharge, Settle returned to TSU and finished with a Bachelor of Science in Biology in 1959. He later received his Masters Degree in 1961. On August 6, 1999 Settle was inducted into the Tennessee State University Vintagers Club.

In 1962 Settle married Delois Haynes and to this union two sons were born, Settle Jr. and John Eric.

Settle was employed by Meharry Medical College for over thirty years where he worked in the Department of Pharmacology. After retiring from Meharry, Settle worked for Warner Brothers Records until 2013.

Settle was an avid hunter and fisherman and could tell one heck of a story about both. He also LOVED TSU Football and the music of Stevie Wonder.

Settle is survived by his wife of 52 years Delois Haynes Townsend; two sons, Rev. Dr. Settle Jr. (Sandra) of Dayton, OH and Eric Townsend of Nashville, TN; grandson, Sean Eric Townsend; adopted grand-daughters, Ashley and Meghane Gainey; and his beagle, Hound Spot. Settle also leaves to cherish his memory siblings; Egretha Washington, Charlotte, NC; Rev. Dr. John T. Townsend, Jr., Austin, TX; Isoria (Booker) White, Nashville, TN; Leona Peck, Indianapolis, IN; Mayolta Mallory, Phoenix, AR; and Wayne (Debra) Townsend, Indianapolis, IN.; a host of nieces, nephews; other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Middle Tennessee Veterans Cemetery

7931 McCrory Lane  
Nashville, TN 37221

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 31. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Lewis & Wright Funeral Directors  
2500 Clarksville Highway  
Nashville, TN 37208

## Service

FEB 1. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church - Capitol Hill  
625 Rosa L. Parks Blvd  
Nashville, TN 37203

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Settle William Townsend Sr.*

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