A CELEBRATION OF LIFE In Honor of



ROGERS



SUNRISE: JUNE 28, 1948 X SUNSET: APRIL 28, 2017

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<u>SERVICE</u> Saturday, May 6, 2017 Viewing 10:00 A.M. Service 11:00 A.M.

LAGOSHEN M.B. CHURCH 490 LAGOSHEN DRIVE MOSCOW, TENNESSEE 38057

PASTOR JAMES H. ROSSER

Officiating

# OBITUARY

On Friday, April 28, 2017, Douglas Stephen Rogers, affectionately called "Doug" was called home to glory to be with the Lord where his spirit will be at peace.

Douglas, the son of the late Stephen and Christine Rogers was born on June 28, 1948, in Newport News, Virginia. He was reared in King George County, Virginia where he attended Lambs Creek Elementary School and Ralph Bunche High School. Douglas joined the U. S. Marine Corps at the early age of 17 and was sent to the Marine Corps Recruit Depot in Parris Island, South Carolina for Basic Training. After Basic Training he was sent to Camp Lejeune, North Carolina for ITR Training. He also attended Aviation School and studied mechanical fundamentals in Millington, Tennessee. That was not enough excitement for Douglas. Therefore, he asked to be transferred back to Camp Lejeune and later served tours of duty in Hawaii, Japan, Cuba, Puerto Rico, Panama, and St. Thomas. He went to Fort Sherman, Idaho for jungle warfare training prior to being sent to Vietnam in January 1968, where he was a Machine Gunner. His last tour of duty was at the Quantico Marine Base in Quantico, Virginia. Douglas loved the state of Tennessee and later returned to make it his home where he developed many friendships, and a new-found family.

Douglas had an extensive career in law enforcement and worked for several detective agencies, the University of Tennessee and Rossville Police Department. He also worked at the Brooklyn Navy Yard while residing in New York.

Douglas had several hobbies but a true love for rebuilding antique trucks where he won several trophies and other recognition. He had an affectionate for guns, loved jazz and blues and traveling with his family. Before his health diminished, he was active in the Marine Corp League where he served as the Commandant.

Douglas leaves to cherish his memory his loving devoted wife Barbara Louise, four (4) sons Freddrick Rogers, Dedrick Rogers (Jomara), DeWayne Rogers, Angelo Muse, his one and only daughter, Desarae, nine (9) grandchildren, Amira, Davin, Demora, Jomario, Anthony, Anthony Abel, William B., Freddrick, Jr. and Izmani, his brother James Rogers (Phyllis), three sisters, Mirinda Jackson, Sharon Clarke (Nathan), Jacquelyn Rogers Lucas, six aunts Elsie Fincher and Mary Lou Gray, Louise Jackson, Gervie Gray, Esther Fingers, and Charlene Pearson, one Uncle, Emanuel Rogers, eight wonderful sister-in -laws and five great brother-in-law's, Dorothy (Michael) Bolden, Lois Ruben, Barbara Morton, Mary Pearson, Brenda (Chris) Dionne, Dell (Gary) Dickerson, Ricky (Janice) Pearson, Betty (Larry) Jackson, Amy Pearson and Johnathan Pearson. A very special nephew who was like a son, Andrae L. Goodman and his father Lee A. Goodman who was a good friend, a host of beautiful nieces and nephews, two special cousins, Tonya Finnie-Pitts (Devin) and Charlotte (Nsise) Pearson-Jackson (Jonathan), his entire Candlewood Lakes Community friends and family and those great friends he made along his journey, David & Amanda Faulkner, Joe & Robbie Watkins, Irine Mungon, J.C. (Pete) & Ilean Mason, Alicia Rankhorn & Nikki Prescott and His wonderful caretaker, Ms. Gloria Powers.

Douglas fought a good fight and has now transitioned into Heaven and today we celebrate his "Good News" by wishing him a fond and affectionate farewell! We love you- but God loved you more and decided to take you home.

# MEMORIAL SERVICE

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REFLECTIONS	•••••

......Bro. Larry Jackson CHRISHUN JACKSON CHRISTOPHER PEARSON

PRAYER......PASTOR CHARLES ANDERSON sister-in-law QUINTON MABONE niece NICOLE JONES niece CHRISTEN GRIGGS niece REMARKS......(PLEASE LIMIT REMARKS TO THREE MINUTES) MAIN WILLIAMS......HIS YOUNG BUDDY/HE WAS LIKE A SON brother APOSTLE ERIC PATTON friend BARBARA LOUISE ROGERS & FAMILY.....A POEM WRITTEN DOUGLAS ROGERS sister 

Remains will not be viewed



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Tribute from your daughter

Strong of mind but fragile in flesh Gone from this place But always in my heart. Love your daughter Desarae











From Dedrick

You can Throw me in the worst situation, I'm going to come out smelling like a rose all the time (special saying of his Dad)

Tribute from Family

Unselfishly, you left your wife, children and grandchildren You left behind your sisters and your brother and all your family and friends. On foreign soil, you found yourself planted, To fight for those whose freedom, you granted. Without your sacrifice, their cause would be lost, but you carried onward no matter the cost. Many horrors you had endured and seen, Many faces had haunted your dreams, When it was over, you all came back home, Some were left with memories to face all alone; Some found themselves in the company of friends and families, Those who survived were forever scarred, Emotionally, physically, permanently marred. Those who did not, now sleep eternally beneath the ground. They had given their lives to keep free. With a hand upon our heart, we feel the pride and respect; My reverence is revealed in the tears that now stream down our upturned face. As our flag waves above you, in her glory and grace. Freedom was the gift that you unselfishly gave Pain and death was the price that you ultimately paid. I am not dead, I did not die, I only passed from earth to sky, from dark to light, my soul took flight, Beautiful here, a wondrous sight, Belief that I'm Free from pain And joy that I am well again. The sweetness of the times we shared, The laughter, and tears together paired, The dreamed we dreamed, the prayers we prayed, The I love you so often said, these memories never fade away. But grow brighter day by day.

The Family























































## Acknowledgements

The Family of Douglas Stephen Rogers would like to thank everyone for their prayers, phone calls, visits, food, and support. Words cannot express our sincere gratitude to each of you for being there in our time of need. Special Thanks to Pastor James H. Rosser and the LaGoshen Church Family. May God bless each and everyone and please continue to keep us in your prayers.

## ~ The Family of Douglas Stephen Rogers ~

Active Pallbearers Ricky Pearson Michael Bolden Gary Dickerson

Johnathan Pearson Chris Dionne Myron Anderson

#### Honorary Pallbearers

**Dedrick Rogers** Main Williams DeWayne Rogers

Freddrick Rogers Angelo Muse Andrae Goodman Michael Pearson

### Interment

Monday @ 10:45a.m. West Tennessee Veterans Cemetery 4000 Forest Hill-Irene Road Memphis, Tennessee 38125

Family Repast LaGoshen Baptist Church 490 LaGoshen Drive, Moscow, TN

# Arrangement Entrusted Do:

Hardeman County Funeral Service, Inc. 109 S. Porter St. Bolivar, TN 38008 (731) 658-7473



