



## Thomas Jefferson Aldred Jr

February 3, 1945 - March 4, 2025

Thomas Jefferson Aldred, Jr., age 80, passed away peacefully on March 4, 2025, in Newnan, Georgia. Born on February 3, 1945, in Manchester, Tennessee, Thomas lived a life marked by integrity, service, and love.

A U.S. Army veteran and long-time Gideon, Thomas was deeply committed to his faith, sharing the Word of God and mentoring many along the way. As a member of Liberty Baptist Church, he taught Sunday school to fourth graders and led the Royal Ambassadors, sharing his love for the Lord with countless young minds. Later in life, Thomas became a member of Harp's Crossing Baptist Church. A man of quiet strength and intelligence, when Thomas spoke, people listened. His tender heart and unwavering integrity were evident to all who knew him.

Thomas retired from a distinguished career at IBM and the State of Georgia, where he was instrumental in helping others as a mentor. He was known for his ability to fix anything and his willingness to lend a hand to those in need. Thomas was a wonderful husband, a great provider and protector for his family, and a loving father and grandfather. He adored his daughter, Mandy Riggins, and cherished his grandsons, Remington and Ramsey Riggins.

His adventurous spirit led him to travel extensively, visiting six of the seven continents to marvel at God's handiwork. Whether traveling in an RV with his

grandsons, planning trips with friends, or biking through Europe, Thomas embraced the wonders of the world with joy and gratitude.

Thomas is preceded in death by his parents, Thomas Jefferson and Mary Gladys Aldred, Sr., and his brother-in-law, Bill King. He is survived by his beloved wife, Barbara Aldred; his daughter, Mandy Riggins; his grandsons, Remington and Ramsey Riggins; his sister, Linda Harrison and her husband Dwight; his sister-in-law, Jackie King; brother-in-law Jeff Vines and his wife Janet; and nieces and nephews, Ron Harrison (Anna), Shandy King (Carrie), Brandon Vines (Ashley), Jessie Vines Hunter (Jimmy), and Katie Vines (Gleb). He also leaves behind seven great-nephews and numerous friends who will miss his warm heart and generous spirit.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, March 8, 2025, at 4 o'clock in the Chapel of Parrott Funeral Home, with Dr. Randy Wood officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at Parrott Funeral Home and Crematory. In lieu of flowers those desiring may make donations to the Alzheimer's Association, [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org) or The Gideons International, [www.gideons.org](http://www.gideons.org).

In meeting Thomas, you saw his heart—a heart that witnessed to many strangers, loved the Lord, and provided immeasurable love and support to his family and friends. His legacy of kindness, wisdom, and faith will continue to inspire all who were blessed to know him.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 8. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Parrott Funeral Home & Crematory  
8355 Senoia Road  
Fairburn, GA 30213  
(770) 964-4800  
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<https://www.parrottfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

MAR 8. 4:00 PM.

Parrott Funeral Home Chapel

# Tribute Wall



“ Parrott Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Thomas Jefferson Aldred Jr



Parrott Funeral Home - March 08, 2025 at 02:43 PM



“ Parrott Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Thomas Jefferson Aldred Jr



Parrott Funeral Home - March 06, 2025 at 10:03 AM

BN

*I loved that man, I wish I could have been 1%of the person he was my heart ❤️ goes out to the family of Tommy 😞 he will be greatly missed but I know he is with the Lord and one day we'll be together again, love you Tommy. 🙏🙏👉*

Bubba Newman - March 06, 2025 at 11:03 AM

WD

*Great tribute to a great man. Tommy you are missed but oh what a celebration you are having around the heavenly throne. Our Love Don and Karla Wood*

Wood Don - March 06, 2025 at 04:19 PM

DC

“ Tommy was a dear friend Always there when we needed uplifting. Words cant express the joy an Love he and Barbara gave us over the years. I salute my friend an fellow veteran. God speed my friend!

Dwain Cooke - March 09, 2025 at 05:22 PM

GP

“ I have known "Tommy" (and Barbara) for over 50 years and the tribute to him is exactly who he was and more. Tommy never met a stranger and all who knew him loved and respected how he lived his life. He was truly a "mans man" who loved his family, his friends, his church and his life. He will be missed by all who knew him but his memory will live on in all of us. Everyone who ever knew him worked hard to live their life as Tommy did as he was an example of how to live life to it fullest. Tommy we will all miss you and are honored to have known you! Our love goes out to you and to your entire family.

George and Christine Prattes

George Prattes - March 08, 2025 at 10:56 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas Jefferson Aldred Jr.



March 08, 2025 at 09:02 AM

KN

“ Kevin and Lynn North purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Thomas Jefferson Aldred Jr.



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**Kevin and Lynn North** - March 07, 2025 at 11:13 PM

JA

“ Jim and Mary Ann remember Tommy and Barbara as camping buddies, church friends, travel to Holland on a biking trip and Sunday School. Our prayers are with you, those wonderful grandkids and your daughter Mandy.

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**Jim and Mary Ann** - March 07, 2025 at 10:42 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas Jefferson Aldred Jr.



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March 07, 2025 at 09:18 AM

RL

“ Tommy was one of the first people I made friends with after moving to Atlanta in '72. Coming from the North, I was always fascinated by Tommy's strong Southern accent. I remember talking with him about model airplanes, which we both flew when we were kids. Tommy was a great guy. Best wishes and prayers to his family.  
Ron & Deena Lee

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**Ron Lee** - March 07, 2025 at 08:52 AM

TF

“ *The Young Family purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Thomas Jefferson Aldred Jr.*



The Young Family - March 06, 2025 at 09:18 PM

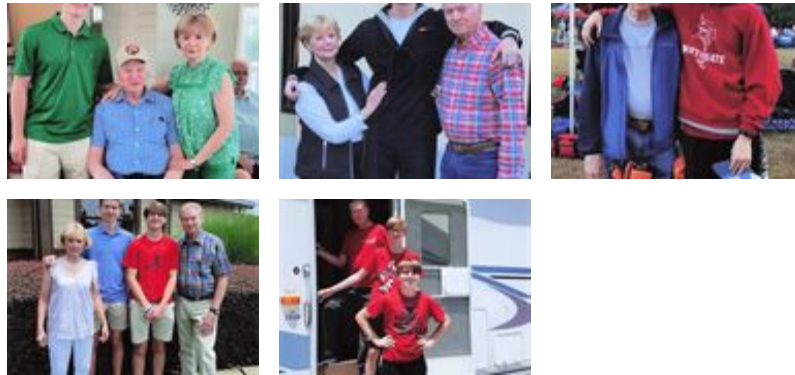
JB

“ *Barbara, I was once where you are. My heart aches for you. I know you are comforted by knowing he is healed and with Jesus.*

Jean Bozeman - March 06, 2025 at 01:22 PM



“ *47 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Parrott Funeral Home - March 06, 2025 at 09:55 AM

JM

*Barbara, two months ago I stood where you stand today as I watched my husband transition to his heavenly home. There are no words I can offer you to take away the pain of such a loss but we can trust God to protect and walk with us as we manage the days ahead without our partners. Prayers to you and the family.  
Jackie Merkison*

Jackie Merkison - March 07, 2025 at 09:16 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas Jefferson Aldred Jr.*



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March 06, 2025 at 09:09 AM



“ *Kent and I remember Tommy making up songs during a cycling trip on Jekyll Island.  
Wendy remembers his beautiful and funny songs that Tommy made up on our barge/cycling trip through Amsterdam. He would sing them after the ride every day. Such a mellow wonderful voice!!we love you Tommy our brother in Heaven.*

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**Wendy Applegate** - March 05, 2025 at 08:44 PM



“ *Leland and Sharon Herbert purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Thomas Jefferson Aldred Jr.*



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**Leland and Sharon Herbert** - March 05, 2025 at 08:05 PM