



## Mr. Clifton Barrett

December 12, 1950 - May 6, 2021

Clifton Barrett was born in Greenville, North Carolina to the late Joe and Ollie Graham Barrett. He departed this life on Thursday, May 6, 2021.

Cliff attended C.M. Eppes High School in Pitt County, North Carolina. He was a graduate of the last C.M. Eppes High Senior Class of 1969, Bulldogs. Cliff was a very intelligent student with a great sense of humor and was mischievous. He loved laughing and making other people laugh. He looked for ways to empower and share his knowledge and resources with others. He had a photostatic memory which was outstanding. After high school he attended North Carolina A&T University in Greensboro, NC where he studied and achieved his degree in History. It was also in Greensboro where he met and married his friend, helpmate, and love of his life, Shereeda “Reeda”.

After spending a short time in Washington, DC, “Reeda” and Cliff moved back to North Carolina where he started a career in the restaurant and fast-food industry. He spent 5 years with Burger King where he developed into a strong manager and business leader. His work ethic and business savvy caught the attention of his hometown friend, Columbus Vines, who had become Regional Vice President with the Hardee’s Corporation in Atlanta, GA. He mentored Cliff in the fast-food industry and asked Cliff to join him in Atlanta. Clifton purchased two Hardee’s fast foods businesses and became the first black franchisee owner in Hardee’s company history both national and international.

Knowing Cliff, you can appreciate that all these accomplishments failed in comparison to being introduced to The Institute of Divine Metaphysical Research, by his brother Billy. It was there that he realized that “God” came down in our time as Dr. Henry Clifford Kinley. Cliff was a member of the Stone Mountain Branch of IDMR for over 20 years where he served in various roles, to include president of that branch, until transferring his membership to the Raleigh North Carolina Branch in late 2020.

Cliff started and finished his career working in the DeKalb County School System where he was Training Manager and Supervisor of Food and Nutrition Services for 17 years. He retired and returned to Greenville, NC in November of 2020.

He is preceded in death by his brother, Sammy Barrett; his sister, JoAnn Pitt, mother-in-law, Carrie Holloway, sisters-in-law, Karen Holloway, Gladys Barrett, Joyce Barrett; brothers-in-law, Thomas and Antonio Holloway, and Frank Brown.

He leaves to cherish his memories, his life support and companion, wife, Shereeda Barrett of Greenville, NC; daughter, Monica Godwin (Mario), Atlanta, GA; two sons, Ahmad Barrett and Clifton Barrett, Jr of Atlanta, GA; four grandchildren, Shamyiah, Tierra, Destinee, and Qui’andrea Smith; three great grandchildren, Omari, Jadon Barrett and Dajay Barrett; four sisters, Shirley Brown, East Orange, NJ, Delores “Lola” Thompson(Bobby) of Grimesland, NC, Janice Scott, Jacksonville, FL, Paulinda Council (Ricky) of Jacksonville, FL; three brothers, Joe Barrett (Andrea) of Upper Marlboro, MD, Billy Barrett of Greenville, NC, Ronnie Barrett of Decatur, GA; siblings-in-law, Mary Lee Barrett, Nina Blackwell (Walter), Michelle Vauss, Randy Pitt (Juanita), Terry Scott; one surviving aunt, Vivian Graham; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and family friends.



# Previous Events

## Viewing

MAY 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Cherrie Maye Blossom Event Center  
3511 N Memorial Drive  
Greenville, NC 27834

## Celebration of Life Service

MAY 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Clifton Barrett*

October 06, 2023 at 05:52 AM



“ *Tracy Shepherd lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett*



**Tracy Shepherd** - May 18, 2021 at 03:40 PM



“ *Earnestine Willis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett*



**Earnestine Willis** - May 12, 2021 at 07:20 PM



“ *My heartfelt condolences to the Barrett Family. May the love of God and the gift of time bring comfort and healing through the loss you are feeling now. Clifton will be missed. With sympathy and caring prayers for you and your family. Joyce R Wimberly, Former Executive Director School Nutrition (Retired)*



**Joyce Wimberly** - May 12, 2021 at 11:26 AM

TH

“ *Condolences to the Family and Friends! I worked with Cliff at DeKalb County School Nutrition for what seemed like forever. He will truly be missed. RIH my friend!* ”



Tansheila Harris - May 12, 2021 at 11:01 AM

LS

“ *Lillian Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett* ”




Lillian Smith - May 12, 2021 at 10:56 AM

LS

“ *My heart and prayers are with you all. Cliff will truly be missed. He could always make you laugh. Lillian Smith* ”

Lillian Smith - May 12, 2021 at 10:55 AM

 Andrea Champion

“ *Andrea Champion lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett* ”



Andrea Champion - May 12, 2021 at 10:52 AM

DW

“ *In memory of Clifton Barrett. My prayer is to the family.* ”

Dorothy Wilkes - May 12, 2021 at 10:24 AM

DW

“ Dorothy Wilkes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett



Dorothy Wilkes - May 12, 2021 at 10:20 AM

TH

“ Rest in peace my friend. Thanks for believing in me and being a great leader. You are missed.



Twanna House

TWANNA HOUSE - May 12, 2021 at 10:17 AM

SH

“ My Uncle Cliff was a very cool guy who loved his wife, children, grandchildren & entire family. Aunt Rita, our prayers & love are with you.

He will be forever remembered & honored. Shay

Shay - May 12, 2021 at 09:58 AM

JB

“ Mr. Cliff was a great man. Enjoyed working with him. I will always remember hearing him say Good Morning “Jenny B”. Rest In Peace Mr Cliff.



Jeannine G Bacon - May 12, 2021 at 09:47 AM

GP

“ I will always remember the days of shooting hoops, crazy laughter and him calling me George Rap

George Price - May 12, 2021 at 09:43 AM



“ Janice Reid lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett



Janice Reid - May 11, 2021 at 09:32 PM

MM

“ Michele Moore lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett



Michele Moore - May 11, 2021 at 05:40 PM

CP

“ Such a wonderful family, Cliff will be missed. Sending prayers of strength, peace and comfort for Rita and the entire family.



CATHY PRICE - May 11, 2021 at 02:34 PM

NB

“ *Nina Blackwell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett*



Nina Blackwell - May 11, 2021 at 02:32 PM

ME

*God's blessings and strength during this time.*

Marvis Evans - May 12, 2021 at 07:02 AM

CP

“ *CATHY PRICE lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett*



CATHY PRICE - May 11, 2021 at 02:27 PM

EH

“ *Evangelist Gwen Hudson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett*



Evangelist Gwen Hudson - May 10, 2021 at 02:29 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Clifton Barrett.*



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May 10, 2021 at 02:12 PM



“ *Cliff is my friend. I can not attempt to say what I feel here. He is my friend. Just to hear one more, Hey, Jackson, Man and I respond C'mon Barrett , Man what you need now. That is my friend.*

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**HARRY JACKSON** - May 10, 2021 at 02:05 PM



“ *Craig Parker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett*



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**Craig Parker** - May 10, 2021 at 11:12 AM



“ *Mary B. Baker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett*



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**Mary B. Baker** - May 10, 2021 at 11:02 AM

LS

“ *L. Sparkman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett*



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**L. Sparkman** - May 09, 2021 at 11:01 AM

BN

“ *Betty Nurse lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett*



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**Betty Nurse** - May 08, 2021 at 10:32 PM

BW

“ *Ben Wooten lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett*



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**Ben Wooten** - May 08, 2021 at 09:36 PM

MH

“ *Muriel Hines lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett*



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**Muriel Hines** - May 08, 2021 at 07:58 PM



“ *The Vines’ family sends their condolences to Rita and the the Barrett’s family!!! We will continue to pray for you and the family for strength during this difficult time!!! We love you!!!* 🙏🙏🙏❤️😭



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**Brenda Vines** - May 08, 2021 at 05:30 PM

AC

“ *Allie Cherry Collier lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett*



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**Allie Cherry Collier** - May 08, 2021 at 08:54 AM

BA

“ *Beatrice Atkinson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett*



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**Beatrice Atkinson** - May 07, 2021 at 06:21 PM

EW

“ *Erwin & Portia Wooten lit a candle in memory of Mr. Clifton Barrett*



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**Erwin & Portia Wooten** - May 07, 2021 at 05:15 PM

CS

“ Congleton Funeral Home and Staff wishes to express our sincere condolence on the passing of your love one. We light this candle in their.



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**Congleton Funeral Home and Staff** - May 07, 2021 at 03:02 PM