

## 1SGT (Ret) Thomas Earl Solomon

May 3, 1945 - January 20, 2015

Bishop Thomas Earl Solomon was born on May 3, 1945 in Kinston, North Carolina. He was the youngest of 11 children born to the union of the late Simon Solomon, Sr. and Lottie (Jones) Solomon. Thomas was raised in Kinston, graduating from Jones High School where he was an accomplished varsity football player.

Thomas was united in marriage to the love of his life, Angela Kim on January 18, 1971 in Seoul, Korea. They shared over 44 years of marriage together and were blessed with two daughters: Shirley and Lena. Thomas loved his family immensely. He said of his wife, "She stands beside me in all that we do. She's an equal part in the ministry." He was a cherished and loving father and according to the girls, the best dad ever.

In 1963, Thomas entered the United States Army and served his country faithfully until his retirement after 23 years of service. He had earned the rank of First Sergeant and several medals and commendations; some of which include: National Defense Service Medal, Expert Infantry Badge, Overseas Service Ribbon-3, Army of Occupation Medal, Army Commendation Medal-2, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon-3, Army Good Conduct Medal-6, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (Korea), Army Service Ribbon and Drill Sergeant Identification Badge. He was stationed in Korea; Ft. Riley, Kansas; Bamberg and West Berlin, Germany; and Fort Leonard Wood,

Missouri.

Thomas continued his education and obtained his Associates Degree from Central Texas College in 1983, Bachelor of Arts Degree from Columbia College in 1994, Associate of Theology Degree from Gloryland Bible College in 1990 and was currently working on his Master's Degree in Theology from Andersonville Theological Seminary.

Thomas made an important decision early in his life and accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Savior. He answered the call of God and was ordained by The Missionary Church International (TMCI), and later became a Bishop. As an active member of TMCI, he served on mission trips, spoke at conferences, and helped uplift and encourage church leaders. For many years, he was pastor of Abundant Life Ministries in St. Robert, Missouri. He was the founder and president of Solomon's Ministries International and served as an evangelist, ministering nationally and made several trips to Liberia, Nigeria, Uganda, Costa Rica, and the Dominican Republic. Through his ministry, he provided significant and ongoing support for an orphanage in Thailand and helped establish churches in Africa including the "Solomon's Ministries Church School" in Liberia. In 2013, he launched a weekly podcast on [blogtalkradio.com](http://blogtalkradio.com) to reach the lost for Christ. He was a great man of God who prayed in the Spirit, walked in the Spirit and ministered in the Spirit.

Bishop Solomon was known as Brother Solomon by everyone. He was a spiritual counselor, mentor, leader and friend to many individuals in the local area, nationally and to missionaries abroad. Thomas was generous, always on call and reaching out to those who need healing, encouragement, breakthroughs, and special prayer. His church home was Victory Fellowship Church of God in Waynesville where he ministered faithfully.

Bishop Solomon went home to be with his Lord, Tuesday, January 20, 2015 in the General Leonard Wood Army Community Hospital of Fort Leonard Wood,

Missouri having attained the age of 69 years.

Thomas leaves to cherish his memory his loving wife: Rev. Angela Solomon of the home; two daughters: Shirley Solomon of Brooklyn, NY and Lena Solomon of Silver Spring, MD; one brother: Joseph Solomon of Newark, NJ; three sisters: Zelena Lawson of Irvington, NJ, Ruth Solomon Lee of Kinston, NC and Lottie Wheeler and husband Alfonzo of Franklinville, NJ; an abundance of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

In addition to his parents, Bishop Solomon was preceded in death by six siblings: Simon, Otha, John and Jack Solomon, Dorothy Graham and Ora Waters.

Bishop Solomon's biggest dream was fulfilled when he heard God say "Well done, my good and faithful servant."

Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Thomas Solomon to the organization of the donor's choice and may be left at the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

## Missouri Veterans Cemetery - Fort Leonard Wood

25350 Hwy H  
Waynesville, MO 65583

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **25**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Memorial Chapels and Crematory of Waynesville/St. Robert  
202 Historic 66 W.  
Waynesville, MO 65583  
(573) 774-6111  
memorialchapels@embarqmail.com

## Service

JAN **26**. 1:00 PM (CT)

Victory Fellowship Church of God  
24400 Southside Road  
Waynesville, MO 65583

# Tribute Wall



“ *1SGT (Ret) Thomas Earl Solomon*

January 28, 2023 at 06:53 AM



“ *We were so sorry to learn of the passing of Bro. Solomon. We thought highly of him. He came to our church and ministered a few times. Without a doubt we know he will be spending eternity with the One who loved him the most. He is in our future as well as our past. Prayers for his family. God bless, Pastor David and Darlene Keck*

**David Keck** - January 30, 2015 at 10:37 PM



“ *Dear Angela and family, I was so sorry to hear about Brother Solomon. He was such a kind, godly man, always so gentle. He always remembered Danny & I when we ran into one another. It was always such a pleasure to hear him speak. He was an inspiration. We could always feel the grace and love of God thru him. We send our love and prayers to you the girls.*

**Nadra & Danny Curtis** - January 27, 2015 at 09:36 PM



“ *Condolences are extended to the Solomon Family in the passing of your husband, father, brother, uncle, and cousin. On behalf of the Morris Family you're in our thoughts and prayers as always, and especially during this difficult time. We pray that the peace and presence of the Holy Spirit will be with all of you.*

**Wilbert Morris** - January 26, 2015 at 09:29 AM

AJ

“ Dear, Angela, and Solomon family. I am truly sorry for your loss, and a great loss to the body of Christ. I truly wish I could be there, but didn't find out about Bishop Solomon's passing until Friday, 23 January 2015. Pastor Solomon, was a great friend, mentor, and father to me and I am truly grateful. We left Abundant Life Ministries in 1997, but never lost contact with our beloved Pastor. Me, my wife, and children's lives are forever changed because Pastor Solomon's love and ministry. God Bless you and keep you continue to let His light shine upon you and give peace.

*Elder Alvin P. Glenn Jr.*

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**Alvin P. Glenn Jr.** - January 26, 2015 at 12:12 AM

BM

“ My Husband and I met Brother and Sister Solomon at a Church event and it was unforgettable. We later came to think of them as family, he made a huge impact on our lives and our faith. Through him we all were able to receive spiritual guidance and support. I will forever remember him as an uplifting and encouraging friend and brother in the Lord. May God bless and keep his family, and with that give them peace.

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**Brother Matt and Sister Hailey McMullin** - January 25, 2015 at 12:38 PM

DB

*Bishop Solomon was a powerful man in the gospel. I met him while I was stationed at Fort Leonard Wood. He was my mentor and friend. My prayers go out to his wife and daughters. I thank and praise God for lending him to so many. I recall him saying Benson I am just a Jesus boy. The Benson family will always remember and love youll.*

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**Dedrick Benson** - January 26, 2015 at 03:33 PM

RM

“ I, Nathan, and my wife, Maraih Montgomery have known Brother and Sister Solomon for 17 years. They are like family to us. I know the loss of a friend, a family member and a great man of God. His wisdom was great and we pray strength for the family in this time. We know were he is and we will see him again. He made a difference in all the hearts that got to meet him and sister Solomon. Angela and girls, I hope that God gives you strength in this time of your loss. God bless

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rev nathan and maraih montgomery - January 25, 2015 at 12:27 PM

AW

“ I mirror Karen's thoughts and words. Mr. Solomon's kind words and prayers kept us 'girls' safe as a traveled the roads from young women in high school through college and into adulthood. Mrs. Solomon, Lena and Shirley, keep close to each other during this time and remember what a wonderful, loving man your husband/father was. He and my Mom, Candy, are now together with their Lord watching over all of us and smiling.

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Alicia Winkler - January 23, 2015 at 04:16 AM



“ One of the kindest people I have known. You made a difference in many people's lives and you will always be fondly remembered. My husband is a quiet man about most things, but he spoke a lot about you when you worked together, he thought a great deal of you. I know you are rejoicing and singing praises To sweet Angela my heart hurts for your loss. I pray you find peace and comfort. Love and hugs, Beth and Jay



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Beth Wiles - January 22, 2015 at 11:21 PM

LW

“ *Angela, I am so sorry for your loss. I feel very blessed to have known Pastor Solomon. You and the girls are in my thoughts and prayers.*  
*Lindell Widger*

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**Lindell Widger** - January 22, 2015 at 10:07 PM

PS

“ *To Mrs. Solomon, Shirley, and Lena: I'm very sorry for the loss of your Husband and Father, he was a kind and gentle man. Continue to have Faith and Trust in the Lord, and know that Mr. Solomon is at peace and with the Lord.*

*With Love to all of you*  
*Patricia Satterwhite and Marlon Hines*

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**Patricia Satterwhite** - January 22, 2015 at 10:04 PM

SF

“ *Sending prayers to all, Thomas was truly a man of God I will miss seeing him and having him say a prayer for me. I worked with him and Angela at Wal Mart years ago it was a blessing to know them both he always told me keep smiling this world needs more people like Thomas he touched many lives through his life*

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**Stephanie Fenton** - January 22, 2015 at 06:58 PM

YW

“We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.” II Corinthians 5:8 To Angela, Shirley and Lena, may you find comfort in knowing that your Husband/Father is now resting in the hands of the Lord. I know your hearts may be heavy, but when you think of the life and love of this great man of God, this is a time to celebrate his life. May God continue to comfort you and wrap you in His love in the days to come . Look to the hills from whence cometh your help realizing your help cometh from the Lord. Sorry I can't be with you, but my prayers are there. God Bless  
Yvonne Waters & Family

Yvonne Waters - January 22, 2015 at 03:25 PM

YW

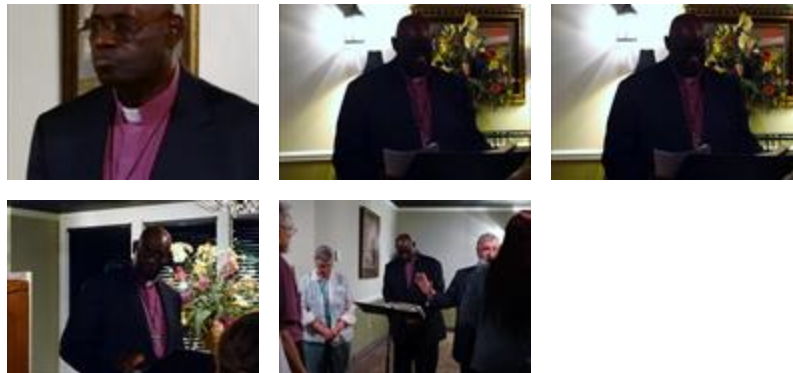
“ Yvonne Waters sent a virtual gift in memory of  
1SGT (Ret) Thomas Earl Solomon



Yvonne Waters - January 22, 2015 at 03:04 PM

  
Jamese  
Wynn

“ 10 files added to the album Bishop Tom Solomon TMCI



Jamese Wynn - January 22, 2015 at 12:25 PM

CE

“ *Is there really a God? YES. All you had to do was have Tom and Angela Solomon pray for you and there was NO doubt. One of life's greatest honors for me was knowing Tom (and Angela). Every year I had the privilege of setting up and preparing the Prayer Room for them at annual conference for The Missionary Church International [TMC]. In a single breath they ushered in the powerful presence of the Lord and blessed each and everyone who came into contact with them. I will miss him greatly.*

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**Cheryl Eaton** - January 22, 2015 at 12:08 PM

KD

“ *My deepest sympathies to the family of Mr. Solomon. I've had the honor to know him for over 20 years. To Mrs. Solomon, Lena, and Shirley: Mr. Solomon was a sincere and kindhearted man. I always appreciated his sense of humor, welcoming spirit, and his willingness to keep us all covered in prayer whenever we would be at your home, going to a school function, or taking a road trip. I pray that God's love will provide comfort and peace to you during this difficult time.*



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**Karen DuPree** - January 22, 2015 at 11:27 AM

MS

“ *IN HONOR AND MEMORY OF HIS SERVICE  
TO OUR COUNTRY.  
MARLIN STEVENS*



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**MARLIN STEVENS** - January 22, 2015 at 07:15 AM

WG

“ January 21, 2015

*I remember the first time I met Bro: Solomon. It was years ago when he was ministering in our area, and my mother was needing prayer. When my mother came forward, you could feel the power of the Holy Spirit flowing out of him. As he laid hands on my mother, she received her healing. As I looked into Bro: Solomon's eyes and took his hand I said, " It is an honor to meet you." His reply was, " Brother the honor is mine." From that moment on we became best friends and it was a great honor on several occasions to share in ministry with him. Both Bro: Solomon and his wife would come to our home, and our local church, which would be filled with people who were rejoicing in the Lord. They would minister to the people and miracles were witnessed. I praise God for allowing our paths to cross and me the privilege to have a brother in Christ. In 1 John 4:21 "And he has given us this command: Anyone who loves God must also love their brother and sister." This was Bro: Solomon, he loved God and all the brothers and sisters. This is not goodbye, brother, because we know someday soon we'll meet on that beautiful shore, just beyond the horizon, gathered with the saints in Heaven.*

*William & Ruth Gunkle*

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**William Gunkle** - January 21, 2015 at 10:11 PM

RS

“ *Brother Solomon was such a kind and generous man. It was a pleasure to know him and attend church with him. He will be truly missed. I'm happy to say he's dancing at the feet of Jesus!*

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**Ramsey and Anne Solomon** - January 21, 2015 at 09:36 PM