



## Ernest "Big Boy" Thomas Brittingham Jr.

December 30, 1949 - February 5, 2024

### Obituary

Tuck me in a corner of your heart, the clock of life is wound but once, and no man has the power to tell just when the hands will stop at what hour.

On Monday, February 5, 2024 at 1606 St. John Road in Stockton, MD, the hands stopped that morning for our father, grandfather, great grandfather and brother, Ernest Brittingham, Jr., at the age of seventy four (74). Ernest, lovingly known as "Bigboy," was born December 30, 1949 to the late Ernest, Sr. and Nellie Brittingham.

Bigboy graduated from Worcester High School in 1967. After graduating, he worked at Buddy Boy's Poultry Plant, where he met the love of his life, the late Carolyn Coston. They were united in Holy Matrimony on September 21, 1970. Their union was blessed with three daughters and one son. Bigboy retired from the Tyson Foods located in Berlin, MD.

Bigboy was saved. He accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior and became a member of the family of God.

Bigboy loved spending time with family and friends. Back in the "old days," Ernest loved the sport of rabbit hunting. He enjoyed spending time with his father, his brother, Ed Britt and nephews, Darnell and Ejay traveling through

the woods searching for rabbits. Bigboy later gave that sport up.

Bigboy loved to watch all kinds of movies. He was a Minnesota Vikings and New York Yankees “die hard fan.” He also was a collector. He would always be searching for metal and other valuable items and he collected so much that sometimes we thought he was trying to be the next Fred Sanford.

Bigboy was a jovial and a happy person. He loved life and lived it to the fullest. He was blessed with many, many friends. No one was a stranger to him. He demonstrated Luke 10:25-37 - the Good Samaritan, “love our neighbors as ourselves.” He would help anyone in need anytime - day or night, regardless of the circumstances.

Bigboy was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, brother, uncle and friend. He will be cherished and remembered always.

He is survived by: his four children, Penny Schoolfield (Lionel), Ernest Brittingham III, Christina Moore (Anthony) and Hattie Brittingham; seven grandchildren, Stacey Schoolfield (Mo) {Taylor, Jordan, Alexis}, Shawn Schoolfield (Brittney) {Caliyah, Dream, Zhuri}, Antwaine Summerville (Abigail) {Alana}, Tiquan Brittingham (Jasmine) {Saniyah}, Latrell Moore {Skylah}, Darius Brittingham and Tylik Brittingham; five siblings, Louise Brittingham, Edward Brittingham (Florence), June Roberts, Alice Hemmeian (Larry) and Rosemary Harmon (Gary); two sisters-in-law; three brothers-in-law; a close special friend, Peggy Blake and many others relatives and friends.

Bigboy was preceded in death by: his parents; his wife of 49 years of marriage; two sisters, Edna Reynolds Cooper and Peggy Brittingham Collins; one brother, Jerry Brittingham and two nephews, Elwood Taylor and Richard Taylor.

It broke our heart to lose you but you did not go alone for part of us went with you the day God took you home. God gave us courage to meet the blow but what it meant for us to lose you, no one will ever know.

Lovingly Submitted ~ The Family

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **10**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

St. James United Methodist Church  
1513 Colona Road  
Pocomoke City, MD

## Funeral Service

FEB **10**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

**Bennie Smith Funeral Home** - February 09, 2024 at 05:09 PM

BS

“ *PENNY ,LORNEL AND FAMILY KEEP THE FAITH GOD IS WITH YA.  
LOVE YA  
BETTY S*

**Betty L schoolfield** - February 11, 2024 at 01:47 PM

BS

“ *Betty L Schoolfield lit a candle in memory of Ernest "Big Boy" Thomas Brittingham Jr.*



**Betty L schoolfield** - February 11, 2024 at 01:44 PM

AC

“ *Amanda Collins lit a candle in memory of Ernest "Big Boy" Thomas Brittingham Jr.*



**Amanda Collins** - February 09, 2024 at 04:42 PM

ST

*So sorry for your loss. Praying for the family as you go through this process. Love you all. ❤️*

**Shalinda Taylor** - February 10, 2024 at 07:11 AM

VW

*We loved him so much. He cut our church grass and did so many kind things for all*

**Velma Wilson** - February 10, 2024 at 03:09 PM

RF

“ *Revs. Thomas & Frances Fitchett lit a candle in memory of Ernest "Big Boy" Thomas Brittingham Jr.*



**Revs. Thomas & Frances Fitchett** - February 09, 2024 at 03:32 PM

RT

*Revs. Thomas & Frances Fitchett send our deepest condolences and prayers to you and the family during this difficult time. May the peace and love of God comfort and strengthen you today and in the days to come.*

**Revs. Thomas** - February 09, 2024 at 03:36 PM

WS

*The family has my condolences in your time of grief. Your father was a special person who would help anybody. Ernest will truly be missed. God will give you peace . Love & Prayers Wanda Victor Stanford*

**Wanda Stanford** - February 09, 2024 at 05:38 PM

C♥

“ *Cassandra & Barbara ❤️🙏❤️🙏 lit a candle in memory of Ernest "Big Boy" Thomas Brittingham Jr.*



**Cassandra & Barbara** ❤️🙏❤️🙏 - February 09, 2024 at 08:37 AM

JM

“ *Jeanie Mason lit a candle in memory of Ernest "Big Boy" Thomas Brittingham Jr.*



**Jeanie Mason** - February 08, 2024 at 07:51 PM

PF

“ *Patrecea and Stanley Lamb and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Ernest "Big Boy" Thomas Brittingham Jr..*

**Patrecea and Stanley Lamb and family** - February 08, 2024 at 07:45 PM

PF

“ *Patrecea and Stanley Lamb and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Ernest "Big Boy" Thomas Brittingham Jr..*



**Patrecea and Stanley Lamb and family** - February 08, 2024 at 07:45 PM

MT

“ *Malinda Tull lit a candle in memory of Ernest "Big Boy" Thomas Brittingham Jr.*



**Malinda Tull** - February 08, 2024 at 06:01 PM

LP

“ Lynda Parker lit a candle in memory of Ernest  
"Big Boy" Thomas Brittingham Jr.



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**Lynda Parker** - February 07, 2024 at 10:29 PM

JE

*Sorry*

*Sorry for*

*Sorry for your loss Ernest was a friend to the family he will truly missed  
from the Jenkins family*

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**Jenkins** - February 08, 2024 at 01:49 PM

GJ

*To the Brittingham Family,  
Sorry for the lost of Mr. Ernest. We were shocked to learn of his  
passing. We are praying strength for the family doing this time. The last  
time we had spoken to him was in December at Coolsprings' Christmas  
Tea in memory of His Wife Sis Carolyn. He was so happy and really  
enjoyed himself. I remember his pleasant smile as he fellowshipped  
with everyone. We are praying that  
God will sustain you doing this time. God Bless you!  
from Rufus & Golinda Johnson and Family.*

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**Golinda Johnson** - February 09, 2024 at 01:33 PM