



## Ovell Vaughan

January 12, 1943 - May 8, 2023

Ovell Vaughan was born on January 12, 1943, the second youngest of six children born to Juanita Everette Vaughan and Matthew Vaughan in Northampton County, North Carolina. He lived for 80 blessed years until the Lord called him home on May 8, 2023.

Ovell loved people, and after graduating from W.S. Creecy High School in 1960, he began what would be a lifelong commitment to public service and the care and protection of others.

From 1961 to 1967, he proudly served in the U.S. Army and U.S. Army Reserve, honorably discharging from service as an Army sergeant. He worked as a foreman for Talon Zipper Company for more than 10 years.

Then in 1982, Ovell answered his calling and pursued what would become his true passion – a career in law enforcement where he courageously served his community and became an avid advocate for young children. During his more than 20 years of service with the Murfreesboro Police Department, he championed the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) program in elementary and middle schools. Always seeking to advance his knowledge and hone his skills, he gained a vast array of certifications through the North Carolina Department of Justice, North Carolina State University, National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, Center for the Prevention of School Violence, and numerous community colleges.

Ovell's life changing work as a youth mentor helped countless youth successfully avoid or recover from drug use, gang activity and violent

behavior. Whenever he was out in public, it was common for young people who he had mentored to approach him with handshakes, hugs and thanks for the impact that he had in their lives.

After a life well lived, Ovell now dwells peacefully with the Lord. He leaves to cherish his memory two sisters, Pecolia Vaughan and Mary Arlethia Rogers, and a host of loving nieces, nephews, cousins, relatives and beloved friends. He is preceded in death by his parents, Juanita and Matthew Vaughan; his sisters, Effie Lurenia Stancil and Shirley Doris Vaughan; and brother, Elijah Vaughan. Funeral Services will be held on Tuesday, May 16 at Roy L. Gilmore Funeral Home in Queens, NY, followed by his burial at Pinelawn Memorial Park and Arboretum in Farmingdale, NY.

# Cemetery Details

## Pinelawn Memorial Park

2030 Wellwood Ave  
Farmingdale, NY

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUN 10. 11:00 AM.

New Beginnings Baptist Church  
Murfreesboro, NC

# Tribute Wall

WH

“ William And Lisa Hooks sent a virtual gift in memory of Ovell Vaughan



William and Lisa Hooks - June 07, 2023 at 12:55 PM

JW

“ Joyce Wiggins lit a candle in memory of Ovell Vaughan



Joyce Wiggins - June 07, 2023 at 11:25 AM

JW

“ Sending my condolences, my prayers and my love the Office Vaughan family!! He was an awesome, sweet caring man!! I will always remember him!! He was so nice to me and my family!! I will always treasure the time when I worked with him at HCMS!!! He was a great man!! A great friend!!!❤️🕊️❤️ Take Your Rest My Friend 🧘‍♂️😞🙏



Joyce Wiggins - June 07, 2023 at 11:25 AM

EW

“ I am so sorry to hear about Ovell. I have always said that if I were ever in trouble and needed help, I prayed that Ovell would be the one to come to my rescue. He was such a sweet and caring man. I will miss him.

Elaine Wynn - June 05, 2023 at 11:23 AM

EM

“ My Condolences to my cousin Ovell Vaughan I am going to miss you. Fly High Fly High you have your Wings. Fly High Fly High



Emma McGlohone - June 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM

GD

“ GERILDINE DICKERSON lit a candle in memory of Ovell Vaughan



GERILDINE DICKERSON - June 04, 2023 at 09:08 AM

VR

“ Victor Ross sent a virtual gift in memory of Ovell Vaughan



Victor Ross - June 03, 2023 at 01:56 PM

JE

“ *Joyce B Eley lit a candle in memory of Ovell Vaughan*



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**Joyce B Eley** - June 03, 2023 at 01:53 PM

TF

“ *The Tann Family lit a candle in memory of Ovell Vaughan*



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**The Tann Family** - June 02, 2023 at 05:52 PM