



## Mr. Charles Winferd Thompson

June 30, 1936 - December 30, 2025

Charles Winferd Thompson, 89, husband of the late Patricia Holland Thompson, of Seneca, passed away on Tuesday, December 30, 2025, at Oconee Memorial Hospital.

Born in Mount Dora, FL, Mr. Thompson was the son of the late John Oliver and Clara Harper Thompson. He served as Utica Elementary School's Principal and Seneca High School's coach during his employment within the School District of Oconee County. Mr. Thompson was an active member of Trinity Baptist Church, serving on multiple committees and past deacon boards.

Mr. Thompson is survived by his sons: Chuck Thompson (Mary) of Rock Hill, SC and Todd Thompson of Seneca, SC; daughter: Kim Thompson Sullivan (Jeff) of Pendleton, SC; brother: James "Jimmy" Thompson (Sue) of Fort Mill, SC; grandchildren: Charlie Sullivan, Craig Sullivan, Jonathan Thompson, Zac Thompson, and Kevin Thompson; and great-grandchildren: Ezra Sullivan, Holly Sullivan, and James Thompson.

In addition to his wife and parents, Mr. Thompson was preceded in death by his brother: Harper Thompson.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM on Sunday, January 4, 2026, at

Trinity Baptist Church, with entombment to follow at Heritage Memorial Gardens.

The family will receive friends from 12:30 PM – 2:00 PM, prior to the service, at Trinity Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: Trinity Baptist Youth and Children's Ministry, 504 S. Oak St., Seneca, SC 29678; or Seneca Bobcats Athletics, in care of Seneca High, 100 Bobcat Ridge, Seneca, SC 29678.

The family is at their respective homes.

# Cemetery Details

## Heritage Memorial Gardens

4500 South Highway 11  
Westminster, SC 29693

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 4. 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Trinity Baptist Church  
504 S Oak St  
Seneca, SC 29678  
(864) 882-9396

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# Tribute Wall

YS

“ I had no idea Coach Thompson had passed. I used to manage the old BQS #1. I had a lot of good talks with him. I would run into him outside the store and he always treated me the same. He will be missed!! Prayers for the family.



Yvonne Shetler - February 14 at 08:47 PM

PC

“ Mr. Thompson Was My Principal In School Rest In Heavenly Peace! Mr Thompson! Praying For They're Families Family 🙏🙏🙏

Pamela Cobb - January 13 at 05:09 PM

MG

“ Chuck, so sorry to learn of your Dad's passing. I saw him at many Clemson baseball games and Seneca High events mostly softball games during my granddaughters years with the team. I used to work with you some when I was with Springs Industries textile company back in the day. He was a great guy.

Mike Gentry - January 12 at 11:24 AM

CT

Thank you for your kind words Mike. He will be truly missed.

Chuck Thompson - February 16 at 11:32 AM

DQ

“ Prayers for family and friends 🙏



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**Durell Quarles** - January 07 at 10:30 PM

RD

“ Always enjoyed chatting with Mr. Charlie.

*Pleasant personality, positive words and constant smile.*

*Great example, wonderful impact & positive influence.*

*Rev. James Ervin Dyar:*

*Earle's Grove Baptist Church  
Westminster, SC*

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**Rev. James Ervin Dyar** - January 05 at 11:18 AM

JT

“ Julie Thompson sent a virtual gift in memory of  
Mr. Charles Winferd Thompson



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**Julie Thompson** - January 05 at 07:45 AM

DP

“ *Dick Paschal*



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**Dick Paschal** - January 04 at 11:31 AM

JL

“ *Jimmy Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Winferd Thompson*



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**Jimmy Lewis** - January 03 at 04:34 PM

MB

“ *Mike And Robin Brucke Burns lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Winferd Thompson*



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**Mike and Robin Brucke Burns** - January 03 at 11:50 AM

MB

“ *Praying for the family*

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**Mike & Lesia Blair** - January 03 at 09:48 AM

MU

“ Not many former students can say that they loved their administrator, but Mr Thompson was incredibly unique. He fostered the fruit of the spirit daily and you could see it and feel it. Great leaders lead well and indeed he did. Mr Thompson loved our community so well. Bobcat Nation is proud to have a legend like him and his legacy will live on.  
Former student and Bobcat Cheerleader, Mary Douglas Ussery



MatyUssery Ussery - January 03 at 08:03 AM

CG

“ So sorry to hear of Mr Thompson’s passing. My mom, Bernice, worked with him for many years at Utica Elementary. She always spoke highly of Mr Thompson. Prayers for the family

Carolyn Griffin - January 03 at 07:42 AM

RH

Such a wonderful family! I babysat their children many years ago & enjoyed being their next door neighbor. So many fun memories. Rest in sweet peace Charlie.

Rita Owens Harper & Blease Harper

Rita Owens Harper - January 10 at 03:34 PM

BJ

“ Brother Jimmy lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Winferd Thompson



Brother Jimmy - January 03 at 12:43 AM

TE

“ Tony Ertzberger lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Winferd Thompson



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**Tony Ertzberger** - January 02 at 09:05 PM

BH

“ Blease & Rita Harper sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Charles Winferd Thompson



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**Blease & Rita Harper** - January 02 at 08:39 PM

JH

“ Best Coach I ever had, always positive and encouraging with a smile. We will miss him so much.

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**Jerald Hughes** - January 02 at 08:00 PM

SS

“ Sandra Grant Sloan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Winferd Thompson



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**Sandra Grant Sloan** - January 02 at 07:59 PM

WB

“ Wayne F. Barton sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Charles Winferd Thompson



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**Wayne F. Barton** - January 02 at 07:28 PM

GB

“ I am so sorry for your loss. He was my principal at Utica Elementary. I have fond memories of him being a kind man.

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**Gail Roberts Barker** - January 02 at 06:58 PM

WB

“ Wayne F. Barton sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Charles Winferd Thompson



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**Wayne F. Barton** - January 02 at 06:43 PM

WB

“ Remember Coach Thomson when I was a Student at Seneca High School. Always a role model and the example he set for students in his Senior years . He will be missed by many of all ages .

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**Wayne F. Barton** - January 02 at 06:41 PM

SF

“ *Charlie was a good man. He was always involved with Bobcats no matter what. He will be greatly missed! Wonderful soul!* ”



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**Sherri Fitzgerald** - January 02 at 06:36 PM

WB

“ *Wayne F. Barton lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Winferd Thompson* ”



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**Wayne F. Barton** - January 02 at 06:34 PM

MS

“ *Seneca has lost a treasure.* ”

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**Mike Shelby** - January 02 at 06:18 PM

BE

“ *Bobbi Elliott lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Winferd Thompson* ”



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**Bobbi Elliott** - January 02 at 06:13 PM

DM

“ Coach Thompson was probably the nicest coach ever to coach for Seneca High School. He always had a smile 😊 He loved his wife and his family but even more he loved his Lord and Savior 🙏

Diane Martin - January 02 at 04:48 PM

SD

“ I have many fond memories of Coach, Charlie, Mr. Thompson over the years, especially the 10 years working with him at Utica Elementary. My thoughts are with you Kim, Chuck and Todd during this sad time.

Sam Donald - January 02 at 04:03 PM

JC

“ So sorry for your loss. Charlie was a good person, neighbor and friend. Will miss seeing him pass my home and throwing up his hand or stopping to say hello.



Judy Cheek - January 02 at 03:47 PM

EM

“ Eddie Moore lit a candle in memory of Charles Thompson



Eddie Moore - January 02 at 03:34 PM

BL

“ *Burgess (Bird) Laye lit a candle in memory of Charles Thompson*



**Burgess (Bird) Laye** - January 02 at 03:12 PM

PB

“ *So many memories of you and Pat. You will be missed so much. You gave so much to the school system and your church. You and Pat added so much to Oconee County, it was a blessing when y'all settled here. Thank you God for leading them here.*

**Pat Bennett** - January 02 at 03:08 PM

LP

“ *Will Parker was most proud to share the Bobcat Hall of Fame with Coach Thompson!!! One of the first things Will said when he saw his picture on the wall with Coach!*



**Lee Ann Parker** - January 02 at 03:05 PM

HA

“ *Harold Alexander lit a candle in memory of Charles Thompson*



**Harold Alexander** - January 02 at 02:40 PM

DQ

“ Prayers for family and friends 🙏



Durrell Quarles - January 02 at 02:27 PM

TM

“ We will all miss you Charlie! Proud to call you a neighbor and friend for over 50 years.

Tommy Mauldin - January 02 at 01:46 PM

DB

“ Donna Sanders Bradley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Charles Winferd Thompson



Donna Sanders Bradley - January 02 at 01:00 PM

RB

Just learned of the transition of one my favorite teachers @ Seneca High School. He will be greatly missed. REST WELL, my friend! 🙏

Rev. James B. Blassingame - January 24 at 03:07 PM

RB

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Rev. James B. Blassingame - January 24 at 03:08 PM

JB

“ *R.I.P. Coach Charlie*  
*A friend to everyone and special mentor to Children.*

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**Jimmy Barker** - January 02 at 12:06 PM

WB

*Amen Jimmy*

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**Wayne F. Barton** - January 02 at 07:27 PM

NN

*RIP to Mr. Charlie. Such a kind and knowledgeable man. We became friends at Clemson baseball games. I'm so sorry to hear of his passing. Prayers to all who knew and loved him.*

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**Nick Nichols** - January 02 at 11:18 PM