



## Jerry Pulley

June 22, 1954 - December 29, 2025

Mr. Jerry Pulley was born on June 22, 1954, in Palestine, Arkansas, as the eighth child of Theodas Pulley Sr. and Teola Pulley Ivory. He received his early education in North Little Rock, Arkansas, where he began developing the strength, resilience, and determination that would shape the course of his life.

At an early age, Jerry accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior and was baptized in Jesus' name at Greater Christ Temple under the leadership of the late Bishop Leodies Warren. His faith remained a steady foundation throughout his life.

On July 26, 1971, Jerry enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, where he faithfully served his country for nearly two decades. He was honorably discharged on January 7, 1991, holding the rank of Private. During his years of service, he received several commendations, including Meritorious Service Medals, the Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal, the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, and the Humanitarian Service Medal. His military career reflected discipline, dedication, and commitment to duty.

After his military service, Jerry pursued higher education with determination and persistence. He attended Norfolk State University, where he earned his undergraduate degree in Computer Science. In 2023, he proudly completed

his Master of Business Administration and Project Management degree from Webster University — a milestone that demonstrated his lifelong commitment to growth and achievement.

Jerry worked as a Security Services Specialist with GardaWorld Inc., stationed at the U.S. Bank Plaza in Minneapolis. He was not only dedicated to his profession but also to the advancement of those working alongside him. He testified before a Minnesota House of Representatives subcommittee advocating for stronger training requirements for security officers. He stated, “Training today can prevent costly mistakes, lawsuits, and tragedies in the future. I urge you to support this bill to professionalize the security industry.” His presence and voice were valued and respected.

He also served proudly as a Board Member of SEIU Local 26, where he helped negotiate improved wages and benefits for more than 2,000 security officers. Jerry was never afraid to speak up, stand firm, and fight for what he believed in. He encouraged others to organize, advocate, and push for better conditions.

On Monday, December 29, 2025, Mr. Jerry Pulley peacefully departed this life. He was preceded in death by his parents, Theodas Pulley Sr. and Teola Pulley Ivory; his stepfather, Tommy Ivory; four brothers, Theodas Pulley Jr., Samuel Pulley, Dexter Pulley, and Haston Pulley; two sisters, Regina Pulley and Patricia Pulley Drone; and one brother-in-law, Henry Taylor.

He leaves to cherish his memory: one son, Mr. Jason Pulley of St. Paul, Minnesota; two daughters, Mrs. Letissa (Frankie) Celindro of Los Angeles, California, and Ms. Ayanna Pulley of Franklin, Virginia; four sisters, Mrs. Teola Favors, Evangelist Catherine Taylor, Ms. Helen Humphrey, and Ms. Maxine Webb; three brothers, Mr. Alfred (Linda) Pulley, Mr. Hubert Pulley, and Mr. Dwight Pulley; and seven beloved grandchildren: Reece Anderson, Lillian

Pulley, Bishop Cummings, Acacia Cummings, Mason Rinehart, Griffin Rinehart, and Anisa Mercado.

Jerry's life was marked by faith, service, determination, and conviction. He served his country honorably, pursued education relentlessly, and stood boldly in the spaces where he felt change was needed. His legacy will live on in the lives he touched, the family he loved, and the causes he championed. He will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

# Previous Events

## Service

MAR **21**. 11:00 AM (CT)

DL Boyd Funeral Home, LLC  
10600 Train Station Dr.  
Mabelvale, AR 72103  
(501) 246-5913

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Jimmy Palmer lit a candle in memory of Jerry Pulley*



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**Jimmy Palmer** - February 21 at 09:18 PM

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“ *Charlotte Noble lit a candle in memory of Jerry Pulley*



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**Charlotte Noble** - February 21 at 01:11 PM