

John A. Baker Sr.

John Allen Baker Sr., 55, truck driver with Mid Florida Hauling and member of Gordon Chapel Community Church, died May 30, 2012.

He's survived by his wife of 34 years, Gale A. Baker; two sons, John Allen Baker Jr. (Carla) and Brandon L. Baker; a daughter, Terra S. Slater (Henry), all of Hawthorne; six grandchildren, Alexis, Paco, Bianca, Joslen, Ginai and John III; his father, Robert L. Baker Sr. (Pherry) of Hawthorne; two sisters, Rose Woods (James) of Gainesville and Yvonne Thomas (Jerome) of Hawthorne; eight brothers, Walker Holmes (Joanne) of Waugh, Ala., Will Davis Holmes (Sabrina), Rudolph Mann (Irene), both of Hawthorne; Enoch Adams, Detroit, Mich., the Rev. Michael Baker (Marilyn) of Melrose, Carl, Kent and Raymond Baker, all of Hawthorne; and a host of other relatives.

Celebration of life service will be held at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, June 9, at Hawthorne High School Auditorium. His brother, the Rev. Michael Baker is officiating. Burial will be in Gordon Chapel Cemetery, Hawthorne, FL.

Viewing on Friday at Pinkney-Smith Funeral Home, 21400 S.E. Hawthorne Road, Hawthorne, from 3-7 p.m., and Saturday at the Hawthorne High School Auditorium from 2-2:30 p.m. The cortege will form at 1:45 p.m. at Terra and Henry Slater's home on Lake Breeze in Hawthorne.

Pinkney-Smith Funeral Home of Hawthorne, directing. (352) 481-2903.