



# GFSPA 6TH DISTRICT BLACK HISTORY TRIBUTE

HONORING OUR HERITAGE

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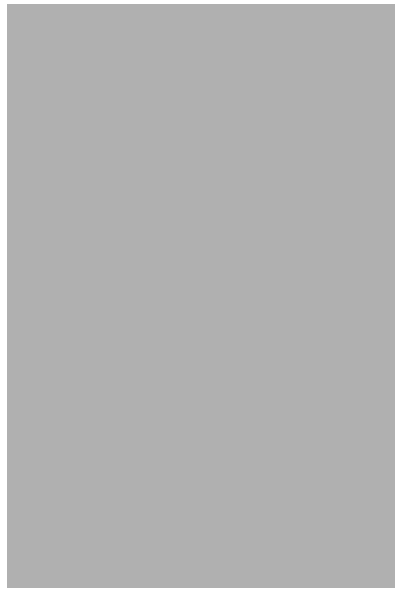
# BLACK HISTORY MONTH

*Know the past, shape the future.*



# Hutchings

FUNERAL HOME, INC.





# BACKGROUND

- FORMERLY KNOWN AS C.H. HUTCHINGS AND SONS
- ESTABLISHED IN 1910
- C.H. HUTCHINGS, SR. - FOUNDER
- MACON, GA



# THE HISTORY OF HUTCHINGS FUNERAL HOME, INC.

Hutchings Funeral Home, Inc. had its beginnings in 1895 when a partnership was formed between C. H. Hubbard, C. H. Hutchings Sr., and several other men. They called the partnership Hubbard Undertaking Co. with C. H. Hutchings Sr. as manager.

In 1910, C. H. Hutchings, Sr. left the partnership and was joined in the funeral business by two of his sons, Charles H. Hutchings, Jr. and Willie Pope Hutchings. The business was named C. H. Hutchings and Sons.

During WWI, Charles Hutchings, Jr. moved away and another of Charles Hutchings, Sr.'s sons, Frank J. Hutchings, joined the business in 1920. By 1927, Charles Hutchings, Sr. and his sons moved to a newly constructed building at the firm's present 536 New Street location.

In 1948, William S. Hutchings, Sr. joined the firm after graduating from Lincoln University. Since his passing in 2000, his two daughters, Sharon Hutchings and Starr Hutchings Purdue, have managed Hutchings Funeral Home, Inc.







# BACKGROUND

- FORMERLY KNOWN AS SLATER'S FUNERAL HOME
- ESTABLISHED IN 1911
- ALONZO SLATER - FOUNDER
- MILLEDGEVILLE, GA





# THE HISTORY OF SLATER'S FUNERAL HOME

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Slater's Funeral Home was founded in 1911 by one of Milledgeville, Georgia's own sons, Mr. Alonzo Slater. He was a contractor, builder, and once served as a page in the Georgia State Legislative Assembly. Upon Mr. Slater's death in 1955, his widow Mrs. Essie Slater along with their son Richard, JR continued to operate the family's business - Slater's Funeral Home.

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After fifty-five years of establishing Slater's Funeral Home as a landmark for funeral service in the Milledgeville community, at the death of Mrs. Essie Slater (September 27, 1966) the funeral home closed its' doors. Immediately realizing the need for the caliber of funeral service established by the Slater family, on November 15, 1966, a local high school principal, Mr. Joseph M Graham and local businesspersons, Mr. & Mrs. Floyd L. and Ruth Evans Griffin, SR reopened the now, Slater's Funeral Home, Incorporated.

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In 1969, Mr. Joseph M. Graham passed away. Mr. and Mrs. Griffin, now licensed Funeral Directors became the sole owners of Slater's Funeral Home, Inc. On January 22, 2005, Mr. Floyd L. Griffin, SR entered into rest and five years later, on the 28th of July 2010, Mrs. Ruth Evans Griffin also entered into rest.

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The torch was passed to the Griffin children. The Honorable Floyd L. Griffin, Jr. served as President, Funeral Director, and Embalmer and Mrs. Delbra Griffin-Waller served as Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Funeral Director of Slater's Funeral Home, Incorporation until 2017.

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As of 2017, Slater's Funeral Home is under the servant leadership of Mr. Andre Jenkins.



# PAST AND PRESENT OWNERS OF SLATER'S FUNERAL HOME



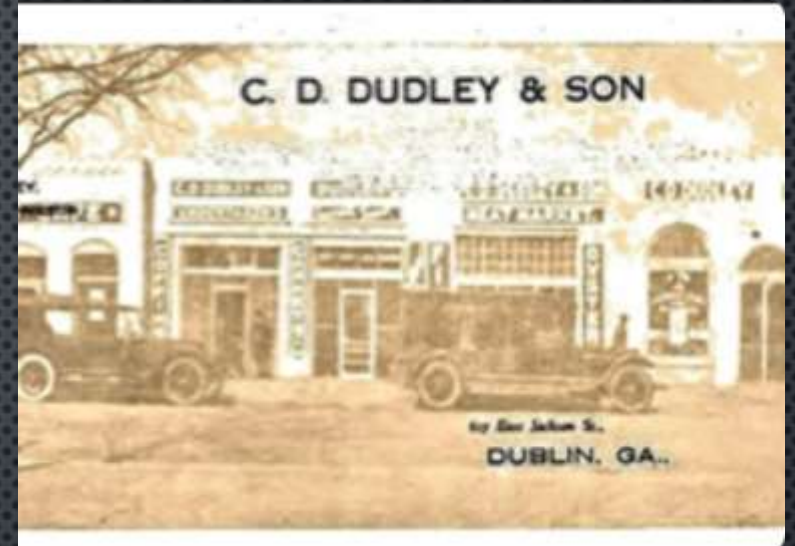






# BACKGROUND

- FORMERLY KNOWN AS C.D. DUDLEY AND SON UNDERTAKERS
- ESTABLISHED IN 1922
- CLAYTON D. AND HERBERT H. DUDLEY - FOUNDERS
- DUBLIN, GA





# HISTORY

- C. D. DUDLEY AND SON, UNDERTAKERS, WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1922, IN DUBLIN, GEORGIA, BY CLAYTON D. AND HERBERT H. DUDLEY. THE FUNERAL HOME WAS ONE OF MANY BUSINESSES STARTED BY THE DUDLEYS AT THE TURN OF THE LAST CENTURY. HERBERT WAS A CHARTER MEMBER OF THE GEORGIA COLORED FUNERAL DIRECTORS AND EMBALMERS ASSOCIATION IN 1923.
- IN 1934, HERBERT DUDLEY ADDED THE DUDLEY MEMORIAL CEMETERY LOCATED CLOSE TO NEWLY CREATED DOWNTOWN NEIGHBORHOODS. OVER THE YEARS, HERBERT DUDLEY BECAME THE BUSINESS LEADER WHO ESTABLISHED AND PROMOTED ECONOMIC PROGRESS THROUGH HIS BANKING ACTIVITY AT THE LABORERS AND MECHANICS REALTY AND INVESTMENT COMPANY, ACCOMMODATED THE TRAVELLING PUBLIC AT DUDLEY'S MOTEL, CAFÉ AND SERVICE STATION, ESTABLISHED EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AT THE GEORGIA 4-H CLUB CAMP FOR BLACKS, AMONG OTHER THINGS. DUDLEY FUNERAL HOME CELEBRATES A CENTURY OF UNSURPASSED SERVICE. THE FOURTH-GENERATION FAMILY BUSINESS IS NOW LED BY ALFRED PEARSON, SR., AND CHILDREN.

*Celebrating*  
**100**  
*years*

**DUDLEY**  
*Funeral Home*

*Unsurpassed Service Since 1922*

*Whipple & Allen*  
FUNERAL HOME, INC.



# BACKGROUND

- FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE WHIPPLE FUNERAL HOME
- ESTABLISHED IN 1925
- MR. WILLIAM "WILL" & MRS. THEOLA WHIPPLE - FOUNDERS
- TOOMSBO, GA



The *Legacy* Continues



*Whipple & Allen*  
FUNERAL HOME, INC.

Gloria Justice, President  
Vivian Thomas, Secretary

Dawn Cole, Vice President  
Samuel Thomas Jr, Funeral Attendant

*"We Care About You and Those You Love"*

In Loving Memory of Deacon Samuel L. Thomas Sr.



# HISTORY OF WHIPPLE & ALLEN FUNERAL HOME

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•THE WHIPPLE FUNERAL HOME, OPENED IN 1925 AND WAS THE ORIGINAL NAME OF THE FUNERAL HOME. THE OWNERS WERE THE LATE MR. WILL & MRS. THEOLA WHIPPLE. THE LATE MR. SAMUEL L. THOMAS SR. BECAME A FUNERAL DIRECTOR UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF THE LATE MR. AND MRS. WHIPPLE. MR. THOMAS BEGAN WORKING AT THE FUNERAL HOME IN 1948.

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FOLLOWING THE DEATH OF MR. WHIPPLE'S WIDOW, MRS. THEOLA WHIPPLE REMARRIED THE LATE MR. GENERAL ALLEN.

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THE NAME OF THE FUNERAL HOME WAS CHANGED DURING THIS TIME TO WHIPPLE AND ALLEN FUNERAL HOME, INC. DURING THE NEXT THREE DECADES MR. THOMAS AND MR. ROBERT NESBITT WERE IN PARTNERSHIP AS THEY RAN THE BUSINESS UNTIL THEY DECIDED TO PART WAYS.

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TODAY, GLORIA JUSTICE, DAWN COLE, VIVIAN THOMAS, SAMUEL THOMAS JR. THE SECOND AND THIRD GENERATION HAVE CONTINUED THE LEGACY. THE (CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN OF MR. SAMUEL THOMAS, SR.) KNOW AND BELIEVE IT IS AN HONOR TO CONTINUE SERVING WILKINSON COUNTY AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES "WHENEVER THE NEED ARISES".







**HAMILTON & BURCH**  

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**FUNERAL HOME**

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# BACKGROUND

- HAMILTON-BURCH FUNERAL HOME
- ESTABLISHED IN 1959
- IRVIN HAMILTON - FOUNDER
- EASTMAN, GA





# HISTORY

- HAMILTON-BURCH FUNERAL HOME IS LOCATED IN EASTMAN, GEORGIA. JEANETTE HAMILTON, AFTER THE DEATH OF HER HUSBAND, IRVIN HAMILTON, IN 1980, TOOK OVER AS FUNERAL DIRECTOR. SHE WAS A TEACHER, COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS LEADER IN THE COMMUNITY. TODAY, HER GRANDDAUGHTERS, VALERIE AND SHANTAY THOMAS, ARE CHARGED WITH CONTINUING THE FAMILY MISSION OF PROVIDING THIS SERVICE FOR THE COMMUNITY.



**Our Family  
Serving  
Our Friends  
in Our Community**

*thank you for your trust*  
**HAMILTON-BURCH  
FUNERAL HOME**

**140 Park Street  
Eastman, Georgia 31023  
478-374-3160**

CELEBRATING AND HONORING THE  
LEGACIES OF OUR  
6TH DISTRICT  
FUNERAL SERVICE PROFESSIONALS



Hutchings  
FUNERAL HOME, INC.



*Whipple & Allen*  
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[HTTPS://WWW.SERVICESBYDUDLEY.COM](https://www.servicesbydudley.com)

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# SPECIAL THANKS TO THE 6TH DISTRICT OFFICERS

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Vanessa Bailey, Secretary

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Andra Jenkins, Treasurer