



Deacon James Richard Connor

July 6, 1942 - July 2, 2019

Deacon James R. Connor, 76, departed his earthly life Tuesday July 2, 2019 to be with the Lord after a long courageous battle with a brain tumor. Lovingly known as Jim, he was born in Henrico County, VA on July 6, 1942 to James W. Connor and Goldie Strother Connor Trueheart.

As a lifelong member of Mount Olive Baptist Church, James accepted Christ at the tender age of 12 and was baptized September 1954. As a commitment to his faith, James actively served and supported many ministries including serving as chairman of the Deacon ministry, Trustee, Boy Scouts of America troop leader and sung in the church choir.

James received his formal education at Virginia Randolph, graduating class of 1960 and continued his education at Kentucky State before enlisting into the Marine Corps. He went on to fight in the Vietnam War and ended his military career as a decorated sergeant. In the spirit of hard work, James worked for Verizon (formally C&P Telephone) as a supervisor, retiring after 25 years of service.

James always had a sense of humor and zeal for life while remaining strong and committed to his faith until the end. Always kind hearted and full of jokes, it's no wonder why he has collected so many friends throughout the years. Never short on good advice and life lessons, he also served as a mentor to many.

He was an avid fisherman and never missed an opportunity to grab his pole, call up a buddy and head to the open waters. He was always generous in sharing his catch of the day with anyone who would have it. Photography was also a passion of his, often using family and nature as his muse. When he wasn't 'gone fishing' you could find him tending to his garden and caring for the farm animals. In addition to his other hobbies he was also an excellent cook.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister Gwendolyn Connor. He leaves to

cherish his memory, his wife Margaret H. Connor; sons, Kevin J. Connor, Wayne Booker Sr., Weldon Booker Sr.; daughters, LaTanya H. Giles (Reginald), Delsherri Shines (John); sisters, Janie Coles, Irene Connor, Marion Hewlett (William), Martha Tyson (Leon); and brother Fleming Trueheart Jr.; 14 grandchildren, 3 great grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews.

Cemetery

Events

Quantico National Cemetery

18424 Joplin Road
Triangle, VA, 22172

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Visitation

12:00PM - 08:00PM

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Ave.

2110 E. Laburnum Ave., Richmond, VA, US, 23222

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Celebration of Life

12:00PM

Mt. Olive Baptist Church

8775 Mt. Olive Ave., Glen Allen, VA, US, 23060

Comments



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Deacon James Richard Connor.



July 06 at 03:06 PM



“ To Margaret and Family, I wish to offer my sincere and deepest sympathy in the passing of Deacon Connor. I admire and respect him for all he was to so many. His generosity, sound advice will live on in all who were touched by him. When I think of all he did at Mt. Olive, what stands out the most--his powerful prayers, which always brought tears to my eyes. May our Lord comfort you, keep you and wrap His loving arms around you, at this time and the time to come. God Bless you. In Christian love, Patricia Randolph and Family.

Patricia Randolph - July 06 at 10:24 AM



“ Roslyn De Cordova lit a candle in memory of Deacon James Richard Connor



Roslyn de Cordova - July 05 at 08:52 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Richard Connor.



July 04 at 01:05 PM



“ We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

March Funeral Homes - July 02 at 02:48 PM



“ To be absent from the body is to be present with the lord. Love Aunt Jessie

Jessie Batchelor - July 04 at 04:45 PM



“ Connor Family:

Oh,how blessed is the PROMISE,when our SPIRIT is set free:
To be absent from the body MEANS to live ,O"Lord,with THEE

Margaret Porter Moore - July 05 at 09:47 AM