

Arthur "AJ" Junis Cooper

July 14, 1937 - August 21, 2020

ARTHUR JUNIS COOPER was born on July 14, 1937. He departed this life peacefully after a brief illness on August 21, 2020.

Arthur, who was lovingly referred to as "A.J.," was the oldest son of James Alexander "Jack" Cooper, Sr. and Cora Tyler Cooper. A.J. was born in Goochland County. Shortly after his birth, the family moved to Richmond, Virginia where he lived and worked until his untimely death. At an early age, A.J. joined Sharon Baptist Church and remained a faithful member in regular attendance as his health would allow.

A.J. was educated in Richmond Public Schools. He graduated from Maggie L. Walker High School. After graduating high school, A.J. joined the U.S. Air Force. His younger brother and nephews also followed in his footsteps and served in the U.S. Air Force. A.J.'s tour of duty allowed him to travel. He was stationed at bases in Texas and Alaska. After receiving an honorable discharge, A.J. returned to Richmond and worked in the service industry. Arthur has worked at the former Standard Drug Store, Community Pride Stores, and other grocery stores. A.J. even worked meticulously cleaning business offices in the Richmond area.

A.J. was an avid New England Patriots fan and card player. He will be long remembered for being a family man. He loved his family. He could always be

depended on to lend a helping hand no matter the hour of the day. We, his family and friends, always knew that if he promised to do something for you, be ready when he arrived because he would show up early, and be would ready to go.

A.J. was preceded in death by his parents; one daughter, Erica Harris; two brothers, Harold Cooper and Michael Cooper; and sister, Rosalind "Pebbles" Cooper.

He leaves cherished memories to his loving and devoted wife, Mattie Cooper; children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren; four sisters, one devoted, Ollie Mae Charity (Richmond, VA), Bobbie Jean Harris (Chester, PA), Annette Nichols (Princess Anne, MD), and Jacqueline Cooper (Chester, PA); two brothers, James Cooper, Jr. (Melbourne, FL) and David Cooper (Princess Amie, MD); sisters-in-law, Evelyn Bell (Richmond, VA) and Liz Whitaker (Richmond, VA); nieces, one devoted, Cheryl A. Browne (Richmond, VA); nephews; and a host of other relatives and friends..

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road
Richmond, VA 23223

Previous Events

Walk through Visitation

AUG 28. 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - Laburnum Chapel
2110 E. Laburnum Avenue
Richmond, VA 23222
(804) 321-4200
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<https://www.marchfuneralhomevirginia.com/>

Grave Side Service

AUG 31. 1:00 PM (ET)

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3101 Nine Mile Road
Richmond, VA 23223

Tribute Wall



“ *To View the Webcast of the Funeral for Arthur "AJ" Junis Cooper, Please Click the Link below.*



March Funeral Homes - August 26, 2020 at 11:06 PM



“ *Arthur "AJ" Junis Cooper*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Greatest grandpa every love you so much and miss you still can't believe this papa rest easy love you bump and family*

JaQwan Richardson - September 11, 2020 at 04:58 AM



“ *Roslyn De Cordova lit a candle in memory of Arthur "AJ" Junis Cooper*



Roslyn de Cordova - September 01, 2020 at 12:26 PM

LF

“ *Lawrence Chrisp And Family lit a candle in memory of Arthur "AJ" Junis Cooper*



Lawrence Chrisp and Family - August 31, 2020 at 10:04 AM

LF

Uncle AJ Rest In Peace and I will remember your call I would get every July 14 to celebrate our birthday we all love

Lawrence Chrisp and Family - August 31, 2020 at 10:11 AM

MB

“ *Nicole and family - He is gone from your sight but not from your heart. Enjoy the memories that you have of him!! Monet Brown*

Monet Brown - August 28, 2020 at 06:25 PM

TB

“ *Uncle Arthur has left us with so many fond memories of him interacting with us (nieces and nephews). Even though we will miss his presence deeply, we can recall all of the fun and not so fun times we had while he was here with us. As far as I can remember, he has been a fixture in our homes, family gatherings, and so many other activities and events. On his birthday, my family and I called him to sing happy birthday to him. I normally call him to wish him a happy birthday but never to sing it. He told us that we had made his day. I had no idea that it would be the first and last time that we would sing happy birthday to him. I just thank God for having in my life for the time I did. So I say to Uncle Arthur, your work on earth has been completed, now you can take your rest, Sir! Until we meet again. - Lovingly, Tracy Brown & Family*

Tracy Brown - August 28, 2020 at 02:02 PM

VO

“ Words cannot express how sorry I am for the loss of Arthur. He will live in our hearts forever. I will always remember him for welcoming me into the family with open arms and the times we all spent together way back when. His laughter was contagious and his love and devotion to his wife, family and friends was unwavering. Heaven has welcomed one of the best and he can never be replaced. In these troubling times it's important to keep family and friendships top of mind. He wouldn't want us to be sad. If we can face each day with kindness and gratitude like he did, we would all be the better for it. My sincerest sympathy goes out to each and every family member. I am eternally grateful and consider it such a pleasure to have known and loved Arthur as so many of us did. Rest in peace Arthur. I'll never forget you. Love to the family. I'm here for you. Von

Von - August 27, 2020 at 01:37 PM

PL

“ Nicole. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Pamela Lee

Pamela Lee - August 27, 2020 at 01:35 PM

NR

“ For Dad....

*To be heard, without saying a word,
To be hugged when I'm feeling. blue,
To be understood, when I'm confused,
So rare was a Dad like you.
Your loving smile, and gentle laugh,
Made all the difference in my day.
Your endless wisdom, and timeless advice.
Always helped me find my way.
In you there was no equal,
You were in a class all your own.
And because of all, the love you gave me,
I'll never be alone.
It's an honor to have known you,
To have shared stories and dreams.
I'll always think of you smiling,
No matter how tough life seems.
You're still special beyond compare,
Your heart so kind and true,
I wish that everyone on earth
Could have such a Dad like you!*

Nicole Richardson-Wiggins - August 27, 2020 at 12:31 PM



“ *Grandpa's Gone To Heaven*

*One quiet day the angels came and took grandpa away
But in the stillness of the night
I could almost hear him say
"Dear grandchildren, I will miss you all
You mean so much to me
But Jesus called me to His side In Heaven I will be
A place of God's great beauty
No tears or earthly cares
Only peace and joy forever and love beyond compare
So remember all the good times
Do think about the sad
Treasure all the special moments
Through the years we've always had
And if you trust in Jesus
I can promise this and more
You will get a hug from Grandpa
Someday on Heaven's golden shore"*

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“ *My deepest sympathy goes out the Ollie Mae and the rest of the family, I have been a family friend for years and was very sadden to hear of Arthur's passing. I pray for strength for you to go on.*

Thelma Thompson

Thelma Thompson - August 26, 2020 at 08:23 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Arthur "AJ" Junis Cooper.



August 26, 2020 at 12:23 PM

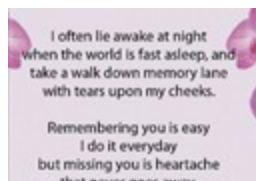


“ In memory of our Grandfather
 If we could write a story
 It would be the greatest ever told
 Of a kind and loving grandfather
 Who had a heart of Gold.
 If we could write a million pages
 We will still be unable to say, just how much we love and miss him
 every single day.
 We will remember all he taught us
 We're hurt but won't be sad ; he'll send us down the answers and
 he'll always be our Granddad.

Grand and Great grand children - August 26, 2020 at 01:04 AM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Nicole Richardson-Wiggins - August 25, 2020 at 10:25 PM



I will always have you in my heart

Valentina - June 10, 2021 at 10:48 AM



“ We are praying that God's peace will bring you comfort and courage to face the days ahead, and for loving memories to persist forever in your heart of your loved one.

By His grace: Helen, Julius Jr., Fernando, and the Christopher Smith family

Christopher Smith - August 25, 2020 at 08:33 PM



“ Rest in blessed peace kind gentleman.



Thomasine L. Stroble - August 25, 2020 at 07:42 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 - August 25, 2020 at 11:34 AM