



George James, Jr.

March 2, 1927 - February 14, 2015

George James, Jr. was born on March 2, 1927 in Greenville, North Carolina to George James and Annie Hunt. He received his formal education at Epps High School and later enlisted in the naval branch of the military in 1942.

George was a master of many professions but was a brick mason by trade. Since brick masonry is performed on a seasonal basis, he was summoned by his cousin, Jack Reese, to Baltimore to obtain more stable employment. He obtained steady employment at Bethlehem Steel Corporation where he remained until his retirement after 40+ years of service. George was known for being an extremely hard worker who worked numerous doubles and triples while at Bethlehem Steel. George was superb at his trade. Verification of this is after arriving late to a competition, he still won a state championship for laying bricks in North Carolina. In addition, to brick masonry; he was a carpenter, electrician, plumber, taxi-cab driver and artist. Not only did he masterfully renovate his home, but he contributed his skills to other homes and buildings in his neighborhood, Baltimore City and surrounding areas, and in Atlanta, Georgia.

George was an avid connoisseur of the Bible, which he knew inside and out. He was a long-time member of First Apostolic Faith Church in Essex, Maryland and First Gospel Tabernacle Faith Church in Turners Station, Maryland. George was a devoted and committed Christian servant.

Due to his unwavering devotion, as the sun shined brightly through his bedroom window, his Lord and Savior called him home to rest on February 14, 2015 - the universal day of LOVE. It was a glorious day prepared especially for an outstanding man with a beautiful soul.

George married Elizabeth James on April 30, 1948 until she was called home on February 29, 2000. From this union came six children: George Earl James, III (Johnnie Mae), Sheila Elaine Amos, Sylvia Faye James (deceased, February 12, 2010), Joseph Ashley James (Melvina), Jeweleane Amechtre Oyesanya (Muyiwa), and Caroline Telisa James. Additionally, George leaves to mourn his passing and celebrate his life twelve grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, four sisters, one brother and a host of other relatives and friends.

George's presence has enriched so many lives. He will truly be missed and loved by everyone who had the privilege to know him and will forever remain in our hearts, May you rest in eternal and perfect peace

Cemetery Details

Holley Hill

Chase, MD

Previous Events

Public Viewing

FEB 19. 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - East Baltimore
1101 East North Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21202
(410) 727-3300
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Family Hour

FEB 19. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Wake

FEB 20. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Gospel Tabernacle Baptist- Turner's Station
206 Balview Ave

Service

FEB **20**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Gospel Tabernacle Baptist- Turner's Station
206 Balview Ave

Tribute Wall



“ *George James, Jr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM

“ Though I don't usually share private thoughts publicly but I cannot miss this opportunity to share with the world what an ABSOLUTELY WONDERFUL MAN my father was. I am so blessed that GOD granted me the opportunity to share time and space with him.

Daddy was a devoted father and grandfather. He taught us the basics which I have passed on to my own children and whomever would listen. He taught us things like your word is your bond, do your best and be kind and respectful to others. He also taught us to be business-minded and to date correspondence. He was a STRONG man and EXCELLENT provider. He was an EXTREMELY hard worker, to the extent that he would consistently work doubles (16 hours) and triples (24 hours) at Bethlehem Steel Corp. In addition to working at Bethlehem Steel, he was a taxi-cab driver and an all-around jack-of-all-trades, which included being self-taught as an electrician, plumber, carpenter, and mechanic. He was also an accomplished artist. I can't think of much that he could not do.

Additionally, Daddy was a devout Christian and astute reader of the Bible. He could, without blinking an eye, quote characters of the Bible, what they did and when they did it. He insured that he and his children attended weekly Sunday and Wednesday night services. Once his children matured, he continued to attend Sunday and Wednesday night services until he was no longer able to do so. The Blood of Jesus was part of his countenance and because of this, I am a witness that if you profess GOD, GOD will be with you until the very end. I know that this IS the reason that his transition was so easy and sweet.

Daddy was also VERY intelligent. I can recall him totally remodeling our home on Ruth Avenue from top to bottom by digging out the basement to give it height, totally reconfiguring the first level, building four bedrooms and a bath on the second floor and adding double fireplaces on the first floor and in the basement. Most of this remodeling was done in the bitter cold of winter because he had to do it in his 'spare time' outside of his normal employment. Due to

this, he had frostbite on his fingers but it never slowed him down. Daddy did not attend school to learn how to do construction. He learned by either speaking to others or researching how to build things at the local library. In addition to building his own home, he shared his skills by renovating other people's homes and buildings. Whenever I move around the Edgemere neighborhood or to Muyiwa's shop, I see his handiwork. I must also say that whatever he built, he built it to last and last it does.

Daddy, as all individuals, was multi-faceted and it is difficult to encapsulate all of his qualities in this single message. I still have difficulty grasping that he is gone. I have learned so much from this man and will forever miss him. I have been truly blessed to have two outstanding parents in George and Elizabeth and am fortunate that, because of them, I am a better person and the world is a better place because they were in it. My King and Queen may be gone but as long as I live, you will NEVER be forgotten because you are in me and have impacted my life. Your spirits will forever live on through me and mine. I'll may miss your smiles and sweet embrace but I will see you in my dreams.

Daddy and Momma, after being married for 52 years and being apart for 15, you are finally reunited. May your souls rest in eternal and perfect peace. AMEN.

*Your Daughter,
Jeweleanne*

Jeweleanne - February 28, 2015 at 11:56 PM

GK

“ To my nieces and nephews and other family members,

I was very saddened to hear of the passing of our dearly beloved one Brother George as I would refer to him.

I was sorry that I was unable to attend his home going service. I thank God that I was Able to speak with him the other week along with my nieces Jeweleane, Carol and Sheila. He even laughed at the old classic western movie that he was watching on tv. I guess it brought back old memories of days gone by.

He wAs a devout Christian and family man. He was a hard worker who would work double shifts at his job at the now defunct Bethlehem Steel Company to provide for his family.

George could be realized on to always do you a favor in your time of need.

I remember spending many of my summer vacations ,at his and my sister Liz's home,during my teenage years ,and that was not yesterday (lol)

I had great memories of attending church on Sycamore Ave and on Lodge Farm Road with the Weddington's and Porter family who were their neighbors.

I can still remember Bro, George years ago telling the familyAn idle mind is the devils workshop.

I guess Bro. George will be helping St. Peter fix up the heavenly Golden Gates or any other needed chores around heaven. I also guess his devoted wife will be serving him his favorite cup of Joe as he referred to his coffee.

George will be truly missed but God never make a mistake.

Rest in peace (RIP) .

Gloria J. Kittles and Leon and Family

Lawnside, NJ

Gloria J. Kittles - February 28, 2015 at 07:44 PM

SB

“ I am extremely sorry for your loss. I can not imagine the pain you have had to endure. May the God of comfort be with you now and in times to come. God's Word the bible promises the hope of seeing our dead loved ones again. That promise is at John 28,29 and also at Revelations 21: 3,4

Shane Briscoe - February 26, 2015 at 09:43 AM

JO

“ Grandpa, you were one remarkable man! You made sure you raised your family in the house of the lord and made sure his love was in our hearts. You loved each of your grandchildren like we were your children. You nurtured us and made sure we knew the important of hard work and education. Your life revolved around God and your family. You were stern but you made sure we knew at the end of the day you LOVED US!!! I remember spending my summers with you and grandma Elizabeth. I remember the chair you made on your lawn mower. I remember how we would hear the lawn mower crank up and run from upstairs to get on. We would try to find our shoes and jackets and hope you didn't head down the street to cut the neighbors yards. Know that you will be truly missed and everything we do from now on is for you and grandma Elizabeth. My heart is heavy but I know you are at peace, no longer in pain, and most importantly with your true love grandma Elizabeth. May you two rest in eternal peace.

Love your grand-baby Jumoke!

Jumoke Oyesanya - February 25, 2015 at 06:06 PM

VA

“ 2 files added to the album *Family Memories*



Vashti - February 20, 2015 at 10:52 AM

VA

To My Cousins & All Uncle George's Family: My Deepest sympathy and condolences in the loss of your Father. My prayers are with yours and our family. Two weeks ago when he spoke to me he told me that he loved me and all his Sister Nell's Kids . Uncle George will be missed. Be Blessed and remember that GOD do not make mistakes...we all have a time set for each of us. Peace, Love & Blessing

Vashti - February 20, 2015 at 11:12 AM

TW

“ *What an honor and privilege it is for me to write these words of encouragement to the family and words of tribute to "Mr. James". As I mentioned to Caroline and Jewelene, know that Ruth Avenue will never be the same without his presence. I find it already so awkward to refer to Mr. James in the past tense. I will always have fond memories of a man who was a good friend and peer to my parents, a good neighbor to my family and the hardest working man I may have ever known who it seemed could build or fix anything! I recall that when my mother passed in February 1972, the first person at our door in the early hours of the morning was Mr. James. And when my father passed in May 2005, the last peer to visit with him was, not surprisingly, Mr. James. These two memories are special to me and are just examples of too many to mention here. As you bid him farewell know that I speak for myself and my family (living and departed) that our lives were and are better because we were blessed to know George James. Honor his life by staying together and loving one another. Then you will always be a credit to yourselves, God and the legacy he leaves for you to cherish. Praying that you know the peace of God during this season of loss. Blessings always, your friend and neighbor, Timothy A. Weddington --Timmy*

Timothy A. Weddington - February 20, 2015 at 10:44 AM

AF

“ *Our deepest sympathy to the family. May you find comfort in the love you share with each other and from God's word, the Bible, at Rev. 21:3,4 which says death and mourning will one day pass away.*

Armstrong Family - February 20, 2015 at 10:24 AM

MB

“ To My Family - I am sorry for not being able to be there with you doing this trying time of Uncle George's Home Going. I feel your pain and would like to let you know that it will get better with time. I remember the James family coming to visit the Wilson family often in my childhood in the station wagon and us having such a great and exciting time at Mama's House (Nell). So much fun with Uncle George and Aunt Liz and the gang. Uncle was so stern but had a heart of gold. He will never be forgotten and always loved. I Love each and everyone of you sooooo much. Rest In Peace Now (Uncle) and Collect Your Reward. - Cuz Marie (Marianna) Brown

Marie Brown - February 20, 2015 at 09:08 AM

CR

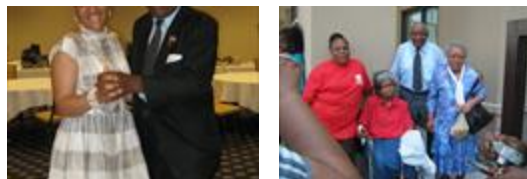
“ Cassandra, Demetria, Tara and Rita purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of George James, Jr..



Cassandra, Demetria, Tara and Rita - February 19, 2015 at 04:12 PM

DE

“ 2 files added to the album Family Memories



Denise - February 19, 2015 at 10:04 AM

DH

“ *Denise Holliday purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of George James, Jr..*



Denise Holliday - February 19, 2015 at 09:11 AM

BF

“ *This is for the family mr George James, my condolences go out to you just got the email from Marie so sorry for your lost...I was one of his daughter Sylvia oldest and dearest friends couldn't have been closer than blood sisters...I truly miss my sister..family just know that I'am praying for God to strengthen you as you travel down this sad journey...R.I.P. MR JAMES I WILL NEVER FORGET HOW YOU WANTED SYLVIA @ I TO ATTEND CHURCH ...THAT A MUST ON SUNDAY MORNING SO GLAD YOY DID...love you all,,Barbara Stancil-White*



Barbara Stancil-White old friend of fami - February 18, 2015 at 06:32 PM

DA

“ *I would like to express my sincere condolences to the family in the loss of your loved one . May the God of all comfort be with each of you doing this most difficult time . Psalm 34 : 18 ; John 5 : 28,29*

Delores Allen - February 18, 2015 at 05:28 AM



“ 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 - February 17, 2015 at 04:01 PM

MA

My deepest condolences to your family may Jehovah comfort you.

Marcia - February 18, 2015 at 11:15 AM

DW

With deepest sympathy to my Family [James Family] and his remaining sisters: Aunt Edna, Aunt Ruth, Aunt Tyree, Nell Wilson [my mother] and his brother: Uncle Clifton:

"Though no words can't truly convey the heartfelt sorrow I feel today, but yet when I think back on old yesterday the memories of our loved ones can't be erase. So may you look to them when your days gets too hard and you feel you can't go on, that's the time you lean on God and he will give you rest."

*Love Always,
Dianna Wilson and Family*

Dianna Wilson - February 19, 2015 at 09:12 PM

NW

To My Nieces, Nephews and Family, I am truly sadden by the lost of my brother George. Sorry, I am unable to attend but my thoughts, prayers and Love are with you. And to my brother George, " I will miss your visits with me, having breakfast, laughing, drinking coffee, and sitting on my front porch reading the bible and watching the cars go by and not to mention wanting honey buns. So, "Let not your hearts be troubled, Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions. If it were not so, would have told you that I go to prepare a place for you" [John 14:1-4]

*Your Sister,
Nell L. Wilson*

Nell L. Wilson - February 19, 2015 at 09:54 PM