



## Herman (Chick) Louis Burrell Jr.

April 16, 1940 - May 20, 2017

On Saturday, May 20, 2017, God called our beloved husband, father, brother, uncle, cousin, nephew, and friend, Herman L. "Chick" Burrell, Jr. from labor to rest. He was born in New Kent County, Virginia, on April 16, 1940 to the late L. Herman and Edna B. Burrell.

Almost every person reading this obituary probably feels like they were a special person in Chick's life. That is because you undoubtedly were. Chick loved life, he deeply loved his family, he cherished his friends, and he never met a stranger. He was a father to the fatherless, a son to those without a son, and a good friend to so very many people. His best friend was his brother, Jimmy, and they were often referred to as twins because you hardly saw one without the other. The Dallas Cowboys had a loyal fan (and maybe a long-suffering fan, too!) in Chick. His Masonic brothers were his extended family. Chick retired from the Newport News Shipyard where he worked for 34 years as a welder. Once a month he and some of his shipyard buddies has a Friday breakfast together, which he thoroughly enjoyed. He was frugal, but was extremely generous in helping his friends and loved ones in need. He was on the Cumberland Community Center Board and New Kent Safety Committee. He was honored by his church and community on several occasions. Woodworking wasn't just his hobby, it was his refuge. If he hit his finger while hammering, his exclamation was "hot-ta-mus-it-knows," whatever that meant. He loved hunting, fishing, playing cards, NatGeo and other wildlife programs, and enjoyed working with his honey bees, in his garden, and just being

outside.

He leaves to cherish his memory: devoted and loving wife, Sylvia Diane Burrell; daughter, Kimberly Webster, Wanda Burrell, Nina Burrell-Braxton (William, Jr.), Dione Bryant (Joseph, Jr.), Brittany Burrell; son, H. Louis Burrell, III (Vera); honorary daughter, Daisy Zuasola; grandchildren, LaTara, Christen (Neavon), Gianni, Natalie, Noah, Elle, Byron; special grandson, Jordan, who spent his formative years with Chick, and honorary grandchildren Kellie and Adrian; sister, Joyce M. Turpin and Betty J. Burrell; brothers, James "Jimmy", Master Chief Charles Kenneth (Betty), and Beverly Burrell; aunts, Fannie Burrell Smith, Irene Jones, Lorraine Bowman, and uncle Wardell Bowman (Annie); brothers-in-law, Reggie Barbour, Dennis Adams (Felicia), Mark Adams, Jimmy Adams (Joy) and special sister-in-law, Vera Burrell; a host of nieces, a nephew, great-nieces and nephews, cousins and friends. Chick closed almost every telephone call with his loved ones with his deeply felt expression "I love you, now".

# Cemetery Details

## New Elam Baptist Church Cemetery

8101 Cumberland Road  
New Kent, VA 23124

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

MAY 26. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Ave.  
2110 E. Laburnum Ave.  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Wake

MAY 26. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

MAY 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

New Elam Baptist Church  
8101 Cumberland Road  
New Kent, VA 23124



# Tribute Wall



“ Herman (Chick) Louis Burrell Jr.

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Herman (Chick) Louis Burrell Jr..



May 26, 2017 at 02:41 PM



“ Extending our sincerest condolences and prayers that God will comfort you with that peace that passeth all understanding. May He forever bless and keep you in His care.  
Warren & JoAnne Bell

JoAnne Bell - May 26, 2017 at 12:12 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Herman (Chick) Louis Burrell Jr..



May 25, 2017 at 01:32 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Herman (Chick) Louis Burrell Jr..*



May 25, 2017 at 12:47 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Herman (Chick) Louis Burrell Jr..*



May 24, 2017 at 09:25 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Herman (Chick) Louis Burrell Jr..*



May 24, 2017 at 08:15 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** - May 24, 2017 at 01:10 PM