



## Jamal Lester West

October 12, 1978 - June 21, 2014

### The Obituary

Yea though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for thou art with me, thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Jamal Lester West, of Silver Spring, Maryland was called on to be with the Lord suddenly on June 21, 2014. He was 35 years old.

Jamal was born on October 12, 1978 in Pittsburgh, PA to James and Brenda West. He later relocated to Silver Spring, Maryland, where he attended Montgomery County Public Schools and graduated from John F. Kennedy High School.

Jamal loved socializing with his friends and family. Always joking and smiling, he was nick named 'Smiley' at a very early age. What the social butterfly, he was. Many thought he knew almost everyone from the East Coast to the West Coast and was working on the international.

As a member of the Coles, Lemons, Meekins, Williams, Winfree, Woodson, Family Reunion, Washington, DC Chapter, he assisted in the planning of several family reunions. He was a natural born salesman who was never pushy or demanding.

If you knew him, then you knew he was an avid sports fan; his favored team was the Pittsburgh Steelers. After living in the Metro area of Washington, DC for many years, he developed a liking for the Washington Redskins, as well. When both teams played each other, Jamal would wear two sets of team clothing. Whatever team won, the loser's clothes vanished and Jamal would smile and strut as if he chose the winning team. In his mind... he was the coach for Zjhane's basketball team from Middle school through her second year of High school. After realizing that he wasn't, he became the news reporter. One never knew what adventure he would be on but whatever it was, it was his best.

Jamal married the love of his life, Meisha Caballero in 2012. This union created to children's, Jamya and Jaden. Jamal had a great love for all of his children.

He spent his last Father's Day with his children in Richmond, Virginia, playing basketball and visiting Richmond attractions.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandmother, Elsie Meekins West; maternal grandparents, Richard and Lillian Stevens, Sr.; aunt, Reatha E. West; and uncle George L. Stevens, Sr.

He leaves to cherish his present precious memories, his dedicated wife, Meisha; parents, James and Brenda West, of Silver Spring, MD.; four children Zjhane, Jamya and Jayden of Silver Spring, MD. and Jah'Mel of Hyattsville, MD.; one brother, Jamian and of West Silver Spring, MD.; two sisters, Lisa Mason (Paul) of Roanoke, VA. and Leslie West and Upper Marlboro, MD.; one aunt, Gloria D. Stevens of Richmond, VA.; two uncles, Richard C. Stevens, Jr. and Keith West of Richmond, VA.; two nieces Tiffini and Lexis of Roanoke, VA., one great uncle, Junius E. Banks, Sr. (Geraldine); two great aunts, Laura

Meekins Miles and Rosa Stevens; a special “mom” Helen Love of Pitcairn, PA and a host of cousins, other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road  
Richmond, VA 23223

# Previous Events

## viewing

JUN 27. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Service

JUN 28. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Richmond, VA 23222

# Tribute Wall



“ *Jamal Lester West*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *My sincere condolences to your family. Death of a loved one is never easy to deal with and our heavenly Father knows this very well. That is why he made this promise in his word the Holy Bible that very soon death will be swallowed up so that we will not experience that pain anymore. This is found your in Bible at Isaiah 25:8. His wonderful son, Jesus Christ not only promised that there will be a resurrection of those that died; (John 5:28, 29) but he also demonstrated it when he resurrected his dear friend Lazarus from death; (John Chapter 11).*

*I hope that during this difficult time these and other delightful promises from our heavenly Father bring some comfort to your family.*

*For more faith building encouragement please visit [www.jw.org](http://www.jw.org).*

*Sincerely,  
E. Lewis*

**E Lewis** - June 29, 2014 at 06:01 AM

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“ My Heart breaks and words can't express the tremendous pain that I feel, because we never imagine our kids taken flight before us. To have known Jamal all his life, and to know God is God and that He doesn't make Mistakes! And although it's beyond our understanding as to why know at this time, God Knows, Thank You Lord for sharing Jamal with us. Until we meet again.

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**Tonya** - June 27, 2014 at 09:43 AM

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“ Sorry for your loss, we will all miss him. We first met in the 90's, and he's always been a joy in my life. I last saw him a week and half prior to his passing. It's still unreal. Rest in Peace Jamal.

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**Shashi** - June 26, 2014 at 10:26 AM

CA

“ Sorry for your loss, may Jehovah give you comfort in your time of need. 1Corinthians 1:3,4.

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**Carolyn** - June 26, 2014 at 09:52 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.

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**March Funeral Homes** - June 25, 2014 at 02:41 PM

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*To the Mom and Family of Mr. Jamal West, I would like to extend my sincere condolence to you, and your family. When we lose our loved ones to death it no doubt leaves us feeling sad, and heart broken , Hopefully sharing with you these words of encouragement will somewhat lighten the burden of grief that your feeling. Almighty God Jehovah loves us, It was not His will that we die, Unfortunately we do, His loving son Jesus Christ was sent to earth to buy us back from the comdenation of sin and death, So that we will have the privledge to live forever in paradise on earth in God's New World where death will no longer exist. At that time the promise of the ressurection of our dead loved ones will be realized. When Jamal awakes from his sleep, surely it will be a joyous occassion. Please allow the scriptures to comfort you. Romans 5:12, 6:23. John 5:28,29. Revelation 21: 1-5*

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**Rodney T** - June 27, 2014 at 12:26 PM