



## James Alexander

March 28, 1943 - September 18, 2020

James Harold Alexander, "Jimmy," 77, peacefully departed this life on Friday, September 18, 2020 at Covenant Columns Manor Assisted Living Facility after an aggressive battle with Lewy Body Dementia. Jimmy was born on March 28, 1943, in Richmond, VA to the late William Alexander and Dollie Robinson. He was preceded in death by his son Duran Alexander.

Jimmy was a 1961 graduate of Maggie L. Walker High School and in 1964 he joined the Army. After the Army he went to work for C&P Telephone Company. He was one of three black employees hired the year he began. At the time of his death, Jimmy had been retired for 26 years after 32 years of service at Bell Atlantic (formerly C&P).

After retirement, Jimmy became an entrepreneur, becoming known as "The Odd Jobs Specialist." He worked for a variety of different companies making repairs, building and rebuilding things, as well as worked as a facilities manager for many years until fully retiring in 2016. Working with his hands, building and fixing things was one of his passions.

Another one of Jimmy's favorite things to do was spend time on the water. Whether it was his boat, Misnomer, or fishing, he truly enjoyed the water life. Jimmy enjoyed it so much that he would even go to the "River" after working overnight at the phone company to help the Burrell family at Marina. He liked helping others.

Jimmy also loved to cook. On Fridays he used to always fry fish and make fresh French fries. Sometimes there would also be crabs, shrimp, and oysters.

Friends and family often came to enjoy. In addition to cooking for family, he cooked for the church as a member of the Culinary Ministry. He continued serving in this Ministry until his health failed. You could always count on Jimmy to whip up a good meal.

Jimmy was a faithful member of First Shiloh Baptist Church in Mechanicsville, VA where he enjoyed singing on the choir and serving in the Culinary Ministry, he also previously served as a trustee and worked in the sound room. He enjoyed serving.

Jimmy is survived by his wife, Carliss Alexander; his son, Paul Alexander (Traci); his daughter, Katrina Joiner (Darelle); his brother, William "Billy" ("Bruh") Alexander, III (Clara); his mother-in-law, Dorothy; his sister-in-law, Vanessa Majors (Lee); his brother-in-law, Galen Jackson, his five grandchildren- Charlotte Alexander, David Alexander, Aaron Alexander (Jasmine), Liya and Chase Mister; two great grandchildren- Kendall Alexander and Ermias Alexander; three nephews, Marshall "Randy" Williamson, Curt and Cory Langley; his loving niece, Karla Galloway (Keenan); goddaughter, Karen Murphy; two devoted cousins, Carmelita Holmes and Richard Bass; a devoted neighbor, Cliff Carter; a devoted friend, Jonathan Spivey, first cousins, Pam and Dorsey Bobo, Richard and Melvina Bass, Robin Walker, Yolanda Zimmerman, Denise Jackson, Devolia and Marven Hill, Earl and Brenda Hayes, Gloria and Haywood Wynn, Emily Burton, Ann Burton, Bernard Thompson, Vermel Thompson; and a host of other cousins and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## First Shiloh Baptist Church Cemetery

8150 Walnut Grove Road  
Mechanicsville, VA 23111

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

OCT 3. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *James Alexander*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Corky, We pray that you and your family will be comforted by the pleasant memories of Jimmy. Romans 14:8 tells us if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then. whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. Be encouraged, God will take care of you, and you will see Jimmy again in "the morning".*

*Eddie & Betty Garris*

**Betty Watson Garris** - October 02, 2020 at 06:38 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to the entire Alexander family. May you find comfort in your fond memories of your loved one. We pray that you find peace in the days ahead through our Savior Jesus Christ knowing that he will provide all your needs. The family will remain in our thoughts and prayers. From the General and Evans families.*

**Paul General** - October 01, 2020 at 08:48 PM



“ *Billy, Clara, Karla, Curt and Cory purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of James Alexander.*



**Billy, Clara, Karla, Curt and Cory** - October 01, 2020 at 04:58 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of James Alexander.*



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September 28, 2020 at 09:05 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.*

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**March Funeral Homes** - September 23, 2020 at 12:05 PM