



James Arthur Bethea

October 30, 1949 - November 23, 2006

James A. Bethea Jr., son of the late James and Ida Bethea Sr., was born on October 30, 1949 in Baltimore, Maryland. He departed this life on November 23, 2006, after a lengthy illness. James received his education through the Baltimore City Public Schools. At the age of seventeen he enlisted in the United State Army and traveled the world. James loved trucks and that led to a career of eighteen wheelers and dump trucks. He married his high school sweetheart, the former Shirley Williams and out of this union two children were born, James A. Bethea III and Denitria Marlane Diane Bethea. "Wildchild," which was his nickname of those of us that knew him. He was there for anyone, that was in need. Everyone loved him for the love and kind heart that he had for people. He will truly be missed. James had two siblings that preceded him in death, Linwood Bethea and Annie Bethea. He is survived by his wife, Shirley Bethea; son, James A. Bethea III; daughter, Denetria Marlene Diane Bethea; two granddaughters, Zhanae Bethea and Kyah Marshall; brother, Willie Bethea; sisters-in-law, Rose Bethea and Jacqueline Bethea; guardian angel, Pamela Key; three best friends, Darryl Myers, Roy Pollard and Roy Mackel; a special friend, Carrie and a very devoted friend, Barbara Hunter ; and a host of aunts, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

Tribute Wall



“ James Arthur Bethea

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“ James Arthur Bethea

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ To Mrs. Shirley Bethea and family please except my condolences for the loss of your husband and father. The Bible holds out a beautiful promise for all who are sick and my lose their life because of sickness. Isaiah 33:24 speaks of a time when all who are sick will be pardon for there error. Here God himself will do away with sickness and all the things that cause us to be sick. Isaiah 25:8 tells us that Jehovah himself will do away with death he says He will "swallow up death forever." Jesus Christ knew well of this promise because at John 5:21,28,29 he makes a beautiful promise as well. I am truly sorry for your loss. My Deepest sympathy Shirel Halstead.##imported-begin##Shirel Halstead##imported-end##

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“ Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. I too have lost loved ones in death. Even though we know that death is inevitable, it is still difficult to accept. Death was not something that God intended for us. The thought of death is always distasteful and it always will be because Jehovah God has created within us the keen desire to live forever. We never get used to it. We feel deep down in our hearts that this should not happen because, “Even time indefinite he (God) has put in their heart,” says Ecclesiastes 3:11. One of the wonderful parts of his plan is the hope of the resurrection of dead loved ones. (John 5:25, 28, 29). Please be assured that Jehovah God loves us and wants the best for us. Take comfort in the promise that he has given us at Rev. 21: 3-5 of a new earth where there will be no more death.##imported-begin##Senita Swann##imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathy during your time of sorrow but know that the God of comfort is with you all during this time of tribulation. (2Corinthian 1:3-4) Due to the many unforeseen occurrences that brings tragedy to our lives Jehovah God promises one day soon Death will be no more (Rev 21:3-4) and his son have been given the authority to bring all those in the memorial tombs back to life. John 5:28-29 Just think there will come a time not only will death be no more but Jehovah promises that no one will have to say I'm sick according to Isaiah 33:24. I feel the need to express these words of hope because so many of us today treasure the gift of life and we do all we can to maintain it to hold on to it. That is why it hurts so badly when our loved ones die. With so many of us desiring life today no matter how good or bad it is we still want life here on earth. No one looks forward to that time of death. That is why I am under obligation by the spirit and love of God to share that hope that is in our near future that the righteous shall inherit the earth and reside upon it forever according to Psalms 37: 29 along with the above stated promises on a paradise and peaceful earth. We all can hold true to this everlasting promise because Isaiah 55:11 states all the words Jehovah have spoken WILL NOT RETURN WITHOUT RESULTS. What a wonderful prospect for our future especially enlight of the fact that Hebrews 6:18 States of God, it is IMPOSSIBLE for him to lie.##imported-begin##Carter##imported-end##

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