



## James Randall Brooks, Sr.

August 17, 1941 - June 23, 2016

Deacon James Randall Brooks, Sr. departed this earthly life for his heavenly home on June 23, 2016.

James was born on August 17, 1941 in Hanover, VA. He attended school in Hanover County until required work at home took precedence. James received his diploma at a later age. In 1953, James became a member of the First Union Baptist Church in Hanover County. He enjoyed serving on the Finance committee and singing in the Senior Choir. In 1976, he joined the Deacon Board. He was a loyal and faithful member of this church for the remainder of his life.

James was a true man of God. He was a very charismatic gentleman who was always warm and welcoming. He always worked hard, retiring from Fidelity Bankers Life Insurance Company and Loveland Distributing. James was well known as an expert farmer. He worked in the fields as a young child with his father and throughout his entire life, until he first became ill in 2012. He had some of the sweetest fruits and vegetables in the region. He was widely known for selling produce grown on his farm for over 60 years. James was also an avid WWE Wrestling fan and would still catch a show on television every now and then. He also enjoyed visiting and spending time with his three grandchildren who know him as Papa.

James was preceded in death by his parents, George and Mary Brooks, sister Jeanette Brooks, and brother-in-law, Curtis T. Johnson, Jr. He leaves to cherish his memory a loving and devoted wife, Valarie J.

Brooks; daughter, Candace Brooks; and son, James R. Brooks, II (Talia); three grandchildren, Mason, Madelyn, and Avery; four sisters, Melvine Johnson, Patricia Brooks, Jacqueline Marshall (Tim) and Mary Coward; brother, Alvin Brooks; mother and father-in-law, Ruffin and Ann Jones; two sisters-in-law; three brothers-in-law; and loyal pet, Sadie May Brooks. He is also survived by a host of caring relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## First Union Baptist Church Cemetery

Mechanicsville, VA 23116

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

JUN 28. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Family Hour

JUN 28. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Service

JUN 29. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Union Baptist Church  
6231 Pole Green Road  
Mechanicsville, VA 23116

# Tribute Wall



“ *James Randall Brooks, Sr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *May the peach of God be with the family*



**cheryl jackson** - June 29, 2016 at 02:59 PM



*May the Peace of God be with the family...*

**cheryl jackson** - June 29, 2016 at 03:00 PM



“ *Shameaka Greene lit a candle in memory of James Randall Brooks, Sr.*



**Shameaka Greene** - June 29, 2016 at 02:49 PM



“ *Lyn And Bernard Taylor Jr lit a candle in memory of James Randall Brooks, Sr.*



**Lyn and Bernard Taylor Jr** - June 29, 2016 at 08:47 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Randall Brooks, Sr..*



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June 28, 2016 at 10:12 AM



“ *Jewell Brown lit a candle in memory of James Randall Brooks, Sr.*



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**Jewell Brown** - June 28, 2016 at 09:59 AM



*Valerie, please know that you and your family are in my prayers.*

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**Jewell Brown** - June 28, 2016 at 10:00 AM



“ *Ellen Taylor lit a candle in memory of James Randall Brooks, Sr.*



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**Ellen Taylor** - June 28, 2016 at 09:53 AM

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“ *Helen D. Jones lit a candle in memory of James Randall Brooks, Sr.*



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**Helen D. Jones** - June 28, 2016 at 09:46 AM

LS

“ *LaTanya SHelley lit a candle in memory of James Randall Brooks, Sr.*



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**LaTanya SHelley** - June 28, 2016 at 09:35 AM

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“ *My heartfelt condolence to the family. May the MOST HIGH GOD comfort and sustain you during this difficult time. (Psalms 55:22)*

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**T.Parker** - June 28, 2016 at 05:10 AM

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“ *rosa purchased the Celestial Love for the family of James Randall Brooks, Sr..*



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**rosa** - June 27, 2016 at 06:58 PM

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“ *The Loveland Distributing family is deeply saddened by the news of the loss of James Brooks. We will always remember Mr. Brooks fondly and will miss him greatly. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Brooks family. God bless you all.*



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**Loveland Distributing Co., Inc** - June 27, 2016 at 02:34 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** - June 27, 2016 at 11:24 AM