



James Franklin Hairston

October 13, 1946 - April 2, 2023

James Franklin Hairston, 76, of Richmond, VA received his wings on Sunday, April 2, 2023. He was born on October 13, 1946, to Floyd and Ellen Ellis Hairston in Lexington, NC. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Carolyn Elaine Brown Hairston; siblings; Floyd Hairston, Naomi Hairston, Thomas Hairston, Ida Hairston, and Eloise Hairston.

In 1964, James graduated from Dunbar Junior/Senior High School in Lexington, NC. He furthered his education at Winston-Salem State University in NC where he received his Bachelor of Science in Education. James was a member of the football team at both schools. He taught in the Goochland County Public Schools in VA where he was an elementary physical education teacher.

On July 11, 1970, he was united in holy matrimony with the love of his life Carolyn Elaine Brown in East Spencer, NC. Their union was blessed with two daughters, Keshia, and Jamesha.

James accepted Christ as his Savoir at an early age. He was a member of the Mount Olivet Church in Richmond, VA. There he served as a greeter/doorkeeper. In his leisure time, James enjoyed fishing, football, basketball, watching westerns, and gardening. He was a gentle giant, willing to provide everything he could for his family.

He leaves to cherish his loving memory two daughters, Keshia H. Butler (Michael) and Jamesha N. Hairston, all of Richmond, VA; three grandchildren, Mia R. Butler, Michael A. Butler, Jr. and Miles J. Butler, all of Richmond, VA; sister, Virginia Hairston of Lexington, NC; brother, Darnell Hairston (Ernestine) of Lexington, NC; sister-in-law, Carol C. Hairston of Laurel, MD; brother-in-law, Gregory S. Brown (Linda) of Greensboro, NC; sisters-in-law, Lillie B. Rainey of High Point, NC and Marilyn Brown of Salisbury, NC; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and caring friends.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Public Viewing

APR 13. 10:30 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

Family Hour

APR 14. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Celebration of Life with live streaming

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Tribute Wall



“ *March Funeral Homes created a To View the Webcast of the Funeral for James Hairston, Please Click the Link below. in memory of James Franklin Hairston*



March Funeral Homes - April 07, 2023 at 09:38 AM

VE

“ *Velvet lit a candle in memory of James Franklin Hairston*



Velvet - April 14, 2023 at 07:10 AM

BS

“ *I send Condolences to the family of James Hairston. Sorry for your loss. James and Carolyn were close friends to me. I will miss both of them.*

Betsy Smith - April 12, 2023 at 03:26 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 - April 04, 2023 at 04:05 PM