



James Kesler

August 23, 1923 - February 3, 2013

JAMES KESLER SR., son of the late John Kesler Sr. and Fannie Tillman Kesler, was born on August 23, 1923 in Columbia, South Carolina. James was the third oldest of five children: Caroline, Jimmy, Dorothy and John Jr. James departed this life on Sunday, February 3, 2013 after several illnesses that resulted in hospitalization.

James' early childhood was spent in Columbia, South Carolina. It was there that he received his early education, many life skills, and the reputation of being a self taught man. He was always willing to help others with these acquired skills.

Later James moved to Baltimore, Maryland and held several jobs before being employed by Towson State College as a custodian. He worked there for many years before retiring.

There were many pastime activities enjoyed by James. And OH BOY!, did he love to fish. He was always willing to share his catch with family and friends. (Sometimes for a price of course.) Another favorite pastime was roaming the halls of Hollins Terrace in his Red Cadillac (motorized wheel chair) or just hanging out in the pool room hogging the TV, watching sports and westerns. James also enjoyed family gatherings and would sponsor birthday galas almost every year to include all family members born in August, which

included his wife Viola before she passed.

James Kesler Sr. was married to Irene Brown, and to this union was born two sons, James Kesler Jr. and Larry Kesler (All three preceded him in death). He later married Viola Dupree. Together they raised their children from previous relationships: Ella, James and Larry who blessed them with both grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Viola preceded James in death in 2008.

Even though James was never united in fellowship with any local church, he confessed Jesus as his personal Savior on numerous occasions. When asked the question during church services in his building, Hollins Terrace or at family gatherings, James would let us know he knew Jesus.

James leaves to cherish his memory: one brother, John Kesler Jr. (Jewel); three grandsons, Garner (Shirine), Andre (Sharon) and Tony (Cathy); two nephews, Ralph (Jean) of Atlanta, Georgia and Richard (Dolly); seven nieces, Paulette (Eugene), Darlene, Pamela (John), Laurette (Preston), Jeannette, Jerina (Sean) and Jene' (Dante) all of Baltimore, Maryland; a host of great-grandchildren, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Hill

5829 Ritchie Highway
Brooklyn, MD 21230

Previous Events

Public Viewing

FEB 10. 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
4300 Wabash Avenue
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Family Hour

FEB 10. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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Wake

FEB 11. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Service

FEB 11. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *James Kesler*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *My condolences go out to the family. This must be a difficult time for the family, losing someone that you loved. May you gain strength by the promise of Jesus Christ to restore our dead loved ones back to life with us on earth as stated at Matthew 5:5 and John 5:28, 29.*

Annitta Verrett - February 09, 2013 at 07:54 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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