



## James Delano Morris

July 20, 1945 - January 17, 2016

James Delano Morris was born on July 20, 1945 and departed this life on January 17, 2016. James was preceded in death by his mother, Emma M. Mallory, his brother, Charles Morris, sister, Aretha "Pat" Morris, and great-grandson, Reginald Irby, Jr.

James attended Richmond Public Schools. He accepted Christ at a young age and joined Sharon Baptist Church where his mother was a member. He sung in the Male Choir, Mass Choir, and was a member of Sharon Senior Group and Junior Missionary.

James delivered groceries by bicycle for Henderson Market on Clay Street. After leaving Henderson Market, James drove an ice cream truck. He started working at Exxon in 1967 when he was 22 years old. Exxon trained James to drive tractor trailer. James drove a tanker for Exxon for 30 years until he retired. He was one of the first black drivers.

James had a lovable and flirtatious personality. James was the life of the party. He would get off work on Friday and head to New York to party with his brother Buck. He lived life in the fast lane by owning fast cars and motorcycles.

In 2007, James rededicated his life to the Lord, returned to church, sang in the

male and mass choirs, drove the church van, and volunteered in the Soup Kitchen feeding the homeless. He joined the Usher Board but God called him home before he had the opportunity to serve.

He leaves to cherish his memory six daughters, Valerie Miles (James), Kim Booker, Canetra Crump, Catrice Crump, Christa Crump, and Donna Morris Johnson (Ernest); two sons, Keith Morris and Corey Crump (Joy); six grandchildren, Crystal Morris (Corey), Corey Jr., Kaiya and Clarke Crump, Kori Booker, Kendra Johnson; four great-grandchildren; Malika Thornton, Kori, Kiyan and Kahmari Morris; three sisters, Margie Green (Sidney), Jacqueline Morris and Vanessa Ross; five brothers, Lee Bolling (Eloise), Linwood Morris (Marie), Mark Morris (Sharon), Marshall Morris (Angela) and Maurice Mallory; and a host of other relatives and friends, among them one devoted, Bertha Crump.

# Cemetery Details

## Maury Cemetery

2700 Maury Street  
Richmond, VA 23224

# Previous Events

## viewing

JAN 26. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Service

JAN 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *James Delano Morris*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *During your hour of need, please accept my deepest sympathy. I am sure you will find comfort from knowing you can call on your heavenly Father for support. 1 Pet 5:7*

**Sharon Harris** - January 25, 2016 at 08:22 AM



“ *Brother Harry Jr and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Delano Morris.*



**Brother Harry Jr and family** - January 24, 2016 at 09:59 AM



“ *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** - January 20, 2016 at 12:25 PM

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*Rest in heavenly peach "Pop", "Pop Pop".....We love and miss you.  
Prayers and heartfelt sympathy for the family.*

*Love,*

*Kim Crump, CJ Crump, and Kaiya Crump*

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**Kim Crump** - January 25, 2016 at 01:06 PM