



## James E. Williams

July 9, 1942 - October 18, 2020

James (Jimmy) Ernest Williams was born in Baltimore, Maryland on July 9, 1942 to the late James R. Williams and Cora V. Williams. On October 18, 2020, God called Jimmy to rest.

Jimmy was educated in the Baltimore City School System. While still in high school, he followed the call of Uncle Sam by enlisting in the United States Army to serve his country. Although the United States was deployed in Vietnam at the time, God's protection was evident in his life. Instead of the jungles of the Mei Kong Delta, Jimmy was sent to the beaches of Hawaii. After his military service, he returned to Carver Vocational-Technical High School to complete his education.

Various jobs were held during his work life. He was a steelworker, construction worker, and cab driver. As a cab driver, he would often entertain his passengers with hilarious conversations which were also shared with family and friends. Everyone enjoyed his cab driving stories. It was thought that he missed his calling as a stand-up comedian. Even if he was telling a story about an event you witnessed, he enhanced it in a way that made you question your memory. His version was always bigger, better and funnier. The tales also grew taller with each retelling.

His coming of age was during the turbulent 1960s, and he read the books

written by leaders of The Movement. He was energized by the writings of Eldridge Cleaver and Malcolm X, and sported one of the best Afros in Baltimore. He never left home without an Afro pick in his pocket.

Jimmy became interested in the use of vitamins for healing and was well read on the subject. He would bring books for you to read on a vitamin or mineral he thought you needed to use for any problem you might have. His home was usually stacked with books he accumulated on the subject.

When failing health necessitated admission to a nursing center, "Mr. James" continued in his calling, entertaining the staff and patients at Meadow Park Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center. It was clear when Mr. James became quiet and stopped boosting the self-esteem of the women on staff, he was feeling under the weather. His clever comebacks were enjoyed by all. His kind acts of offering to share his treats supplied by his family with staff and residents were appreciated.

Jimmy was preceded in death by his sister Dolores McKoy.

Left to cherish his memory, Siblings: Brenda McKoy (Robert), Joan and Deborah; Aunt: Delma White, and Special Friend: Grace Meyers; as well as nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

# Previous Events

## viewing

OCT **30**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore  
4300 Wabash Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21215  
(410) 542-2400  
info@marchfh.com

## Wake

NOV **2**. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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## Service

NOV **2**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *James E. Williams*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *To Brenda, Joan and Debbie, So very sorry for your loss. We are keeping you in our hearts, thoughts and prayers. Jimmy was always a good guy and he will be missed.*

**JoeAnne Brooks** - October 28, 2020 at 01:20 PM



“ *Valley Brook Community Church purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of James E. Williams.*



**Valley Brook Community Church** - October 28, 2020 at 06:09 AM



“ *Catherine Earle lit a candle in memory of James E. Williams*



**catherine earle** - October 27, 2020 at 01:37 PM

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“ *Denise McNeil lit a candle in memory of James E. Williams*



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**Denise McNeil** - October 25, 2020 at 01:27 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** - October 23, 2020 at 08:17 AM