



Linwood Melvin Chester Jr.

October 9, 1967 - July 27, 2015

Linwood Melvin Chester, Jr. (aka Tudy), age 47 went home to be with the Lord on July 27, 2015 in Chesterfield County, VA. doing what he loved, fishing.

Linwood was born in Baltimore, Maryland on October 9, 1967 to Linwood, Sr. and Magdalene Chester. At an early age Linwood's athleticism and his competitive spirit were evident as he played baseball, basketball and ran track. His athletic ability was recognized and rewarded on into high school, where he graduated from Cardinal Gibbons High School in 1985.

Linwood wanted to see and travel the world, so he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. He traveled from Japan, to Saudi Arabia, to Cherry Point and then to Quantico, VA. While serving as a Marine he married Tonya Morgan and from that union came two loving children, Christal and Aaron Chester. After completion of his tours in the Marine Corps, he served as reservist and was later honorable discharged with the rank of Sergeant.

He chose to make Virginia his home to provide stability for his family. Linwood was employed by WestVaco, Verizon, and more recently with K-Line America. He believed in working hard to play hard. He also was actively involved in his church, where he served as a youth leader at Broad Rock Baptist Church. Linwood continued his education at University of Phoenix, where he received an Associate's degree in Business.

In more recent years, Linwood shared his life with a devoted friend, Mary Martin. His interest in fishing, hunting, and cooking became his passion. He enjoyed attending church at Mountain Movers, under the leadership of Pastor Wade Runge.

Linwood was a man of his word. He said what he meant and meant what he said. He was quick to let someone know their place if they stepped out of line. Linwood's perseverance pushed him to overcome all of life's challenges. He could accomplish anything he set his mind to do. If you spent time with him, you would quickly find out his love for his children was priority and his support for his friends and loved ones was endless. He was always willing to help anyone he could. His ability to comfort, protect, and make you feel like everything would be alright, will forever be remembered.

Linwood was preceded in death by his sister, Zelda Brown of Baltimore, Maryland.

Linwood leaves to cherish his memory; his parents, Linwood and Magdalene Chester of Baltimore, Maryland, his daughter, Christal Chester of Prince George's County, Maryland, his son Aaron Chester of Chesterfield, Virginia, his two sisters, Cynthia Cleckley of Baltimore, Maryland and Tammy Knox of Baltimore, Maryland, his two brothers, Rev. Milton Williams (Myrtle) of Owings Mills, Maryland and Paul Williams (Robin) of Baltimore, Maryland, his loving and devoted companion, Mary Martin and her son Malik of Chesterfield, Virginia; his God-daughters, Kennedy Bryant of Chesterfield, Virginia, and Shelby of Baltimore, Maryland, his Godson Brandon Babineaux of Florida; and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews, relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

AUG 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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

Wake

AUG 1. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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Chapel Service

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Public Viewing

AUG 3. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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

Family Hour

AUG 3. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - Laburnum Chapel
2110 E. Laburnum Avenue
Richmond, VA 23222
(804) 321-4200
info@marchfh.com
<https://www.marchfuneralhomevirginia.com/>

Chapel Service

AUG 4. 10:00 AM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - Laburnum Chapel
2110 E. Laburnum Avenue
Richmond, VA 23222
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<https://www.marchfuneralhomevirginia.com/>

Interment 8-4-2015

AUG 4. 1:30 PM (ET)

Quantico National Cemetery
18424 Joplin Road
Triangle, VA 22172

Tribute Wall



“ *Linwood Melvin Chester Jr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *Madeline and Family, God is good...He will sustain you. God is faithful... He will not forsake you. God is loving... He will comfort you. We're praying the Lord will surround You with peace beyond understanding and His comforting arms to strengthen you. You are in all of our thoughts, our hearts, and our prayers. Your Cousins, Nathaniel, Freddie, Herman, Therman, Geraldine and Elsie the Jones of Danville VA.*



magertha Echols - August 18, 2015 at 03:34 PM



“ *All of our prayers and Love! Clarence and Magertha Echols of Danville Va. Your cousin Rev. Nathaniel Jones daughter! So sorry to heard of this great loss! Keep looking up to our Father because He only reclaimed what was His. We love all of you! The Echols and Jones Family of Danville VA.*



Magertha Echols - August 11, 2015 at 06:17 PM

VB

“ *Linwood and I were first cousins. I can remember us hanging out as children. I was just one year older. One of my fondest memories is when "Tudy" took me to my senior prom. We had a great time! I had just asked my Aunt Mag about two weeks ago, how is "Tudy" ?She happily told me how well you were doing. It's still so hard to believe that you are gone, but it is comforting to know that you are with our Lord and Savior. I pray that God will continue to comfort the Chester family in the passing of my wonderful cousin! I will see when I get to heaven Linwood! Much Love Cousin Netta*



Vernetta Blue - August 05, 2015 at 08:14 PM

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“ *Lorretta Adams (pnut) lit a candle in memory of Linwood Melvin Chester Jr.*



lorretta adams (pnut) - August 05, 2015 at 05:56 PM



“ *My name is Christina Adams. I remember Linwood and Tammi holding and playing with my daughter Maie when she was a baby. they both said to me is she my cousin. I said yes she is and you two have to be good to her everytime they was around her that was their baby. Love and I will really miss you!!!!*

Christina Adams - August 05, 2015 at 05:21 PM

CW

“ Prayers of condolence for the family. Linwood will always be in our hearts and in our memories. With our deepest sympathy.

Diaconate Sammie & Cynthia Wiley

Cynthia Wiley - August 04, 2015 at 12:16 AM

YR

“ To Christal and family my heart goes out to you and your family, Praying that God will comfort you. The Rose Family.

Yvette Rose - August 03, 2015 at 11:40 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Linwood Melvin Chester Jr..



August 03, 2015 at 09:29 PM

EB

“ Such a wonderful friend. I will miss you. My deep condolences to his family.
"Treasured in my heart you'll stay, until we meet again some day"



Ebony - August 03, 2015 at 06:25 PM

GG

“ *Linwood was such a nice person. Always had a smile and I will never forget his laugh.*

Such a joy to work with at K-Line. He is truly missed.

Ginny Ganey

Ginny Ganey - August 03, 2015 at 04:08 PM

MW

“ *Melanie Waybright lit a candle in memory of Linwood Melvin Chester Jr.*



Melanie Waybright - August 03, 2015 at 09:56 AM



“ *The angels looked down from heaven after searching for miles a far and deep in the distance they could see my friend Linwood as a shining star. Linwood and I worked together at USDA NASS NASDA.. He became my buddy and my friend. We would always compete with one another on who could get the most surveys done. It was always funny to see the look on his face when he realized I did more surveys than him. . We would have conversations about our family and how important family is. He would always talk about his children, especially Aaron and how good he was at football. I would always say something funny to make him smile. He had a smile that would brighten your day. Linwood will truly be missed. My prayers and condolences goes out to Linwood's family, especially his children during this most difficult time. I pray that the loving memories of him will help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always. God will take care of you. Barbara Rollins*

Barbara Rollins - August 01, 2015 at 09:22 PM

RW

“ Robin Worthy lit a candle in memory of Linwood Melvin Chester Jr.



Robin Worthy - August 01, 2015 at 01:42 PM

LD

“ It has been a while since I saw or spoke to Linwood. It was a joy to be able to know and work with him at Westvaco/Blue Ridge Paper Products. My prayers go out to Linwood's family and especially to his children. Just know that God is with you and will bring you through this difficult time.

LaVerne Davis - August 01, 2015 at 08:44 AM

CS

Linwood was such a joy to be around. We worked together @USDA NASS NASDA . I knew when I hired him he was special and I am glad I was able to share that with him. You are not alone in your grieving because he was like a son to me! I will miss his beautiful smile that would light up any room. I pray God's Blessings upon Linwood's family and know God only takes the BEST!! In prayer and love, Cora B Smith

Cora B Smith - August 01, 2015 at 11:43 AM

LD

“ LaVerne Davis lit a candle in memory of Linwood Melvin Chester Jr.



LaVerne Davis - August 01, 2015 at 08:44 AM

EV

“ *Eunice, Ericka & Elaine Venable lit a candle in memory of Linwood Melvin Chester Jr.*



Eunice, Ericka & Elaine Venable - July 31, 2015 at 05:21 PM

EV

Our condolences to the children and family of Linwood Chester.

Eunice, Ericka & Elaine Venable - July 31, 2015 at 05:34 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.*

March Funeral Homes - July 31, 2015 at 12:50 PM

FW

I am so sorry to hear about Linwood passing. Prayers are going up for his family especially his children 🙏??❤️😊 Stay strong and cherish the memories...GOD BLESSINGS

Fronsheena West - July 31, 2015 at 05:23 PM

AK

Rest on friend...K Line Family

Angie King - August 03, 2015 at 07:52 AM