



Otis Amos Ratliff

October 17, 1956 - April 5, 2025

OTIS AMOS RATLIFF, the youngest child of six born to Charles Thomas Ratliff, Sr. and Victoria Maybelle Ratliff was born on October 17th, 1956, in Warren County, North Carolina. He was called to eternal rest on April 5, 2025.

Otis was educated in the Baltimore City Public Schools. Although he was very bright he left school before receiving a diploma. Otis joined the Job Corps and soon after took the test for his GED. As proof of just how bright he was, he passed the test on his first try; something rarely achieved by most. Soon after, Otis decided to serve his country and volunteered for military service by joining the U. S. Marine Corps. Otis served during the Vietnam War from 1973 through 1976 and obtained the rank of Corporal. Otis was proud of his military service. He especially enjoyed the camaraderie and travel in the military. Outside of his military career, Otis also loved music. He loved to sing and had dreamed of being a recording artist.

Otis married the love of his life, Kareema Young, on April 29, 1998. During their eleven-year marriage he helped her raise her three sons until her sudden death on April 02, 2009.

It is comforting to know that Otis knew the Lord and attended numerous houses of worship over his lifetime.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Victoria M. Ratliff and his father, Charles T. Ratliff, Sr. Those left to cherish his memory: stepmother, Pastor Constance Elizabeth Ratliff; daughter, Lakeisha Porter; three sisters, Joyce Wiggleton (Johnnie) of Harve de Grace, MD, Veronica Henderson of York, Pennsylvania, Francine O'Neal (Earl) of Fort Washington, MD; two brothers, Charles T. Ratliff, Jr. (Ruth) Moorestown, New, Jersey and James Ratliff (Valerie) of Laurel, MD; several nieces and nephews, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

APR **19**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Homes - West Baltimore
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Baltimore, MD 21215
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Wake

APR **21**. 11:30 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

APR **21**. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *St. James Apostolic Faith Church purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Otis Amos Ratliff.*



St. James Apostolic Faith Church - April 19, 2025 at 12:17 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Otis Amos Ratliff.*



April 18, 2025 at 12:16 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Otis Amos Ratliff.*

April 18, 2025 at 12:16 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 08, 2025 at 09:50 AM