



Randall Gerard Hopkins, Sr.

January 27, 1963 - April 17, 2018

Randall Gerard Hopkins, Sr., 55, of Henrico, Virginia answered his Heavenly Fathers call and departed this life on Tuesday, April 17, 2018 entering into eternal rest, now standing behind the pearly gates of heaven. He was born to the late Margaret Sue Hopkins Cosby on January 27, 1963 in Richmond, Virginia.

Randall "Randy" or "Hop" as he was affectionately known received his formal education in the Richmond Public School System, graduating in 1982 from Thomas Jefferson High School. Randy especially enjoyed singing, playing drums, talent shows, football, basketball and all types of sports.

Randall accepted Christ as his Savior at Bible Way Church where he was baptized at a young age. He later transferred his membership to St. James Baptist Church in 2005 where he served as a member of the Music Ministry, singing and playing the drums.

He married the love of his life and best friend, Donna Michelle Aytes on August 7, 2004.

He was employed by Waco for numerous years as an Environmental Supervisor and most recently ODAD. Randall was a dedicated worker who took pride in the tasks he performed on his job. In his leisure, he enjoyed traveling with his wife, especially to Myrtle Beach. He also enjoyed spending time with family, hosting cookouts, gardening, detailing his cars, watching football and basketball. He was an avid Dallas Cowboys and North Carolina Tarheels fan. Randall was a stylish dresser when he stepped out the house,

always looking good. He was involved in the community organization The Men of Barton Heights and participated in the Northside Reunion for many years. He leaves to cherish his memory a loving and devoted wife, Donna Hopkins of 13 years; loving children, LaToya Winston, Randall Hopkins Jr., Kavonte Cosby and Kiara Cosby; four adored grandchildren, Makala Winston, Jarrell Winston, Amani Phillips and Amarie Phillips, who affectionately called him "Papa", two godchildren, Deja Valentine and Jayden Washington, mother-in-law, Cora F. Aytes; and a host of cousins, other relatives and friends. Randall will be remembered for his gentle, kind disposition and all the love he always showed his family. May the love of God be with him eternally!

Cemetery Details

Forest Lawn Cemetery

4000 Pilots Lane
Richmond, VA 23222

Previous Events

Public Viewing

APR **22**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

APR **23**. 12:00 AM (ET)

St. James Baptist Church
2169 New Market Road
Richmond, VA 23231

Tribute Wall

RH

“ Miss you big dog!! You'd be proud of me. -
Your son



Randall Hopkins - September 15, 2025 at 06:05 PM



“ *Randall Gerard Hopkins, Sr.*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM

WP

“ *Wanda Cammack Payne lit a candle in
memory of Randall Gerard Hopkins, Sr.*



Wanda Cammack Payne - June 15, 2018 at 05:40 PM

DC

“ *Deepest Sympathy and Prayers for the family
during this difficult hour. We will miss the
songs of Zion shared by Randy and his gift
with the drums. He is now truly rejoicing and
will be missed by the members of 3rd Street
Bethel.*
Dr. Carolyn Campbell & Family



Dr. Carolyn Campbell - April 23, 2018 at 09:15 PM

JB

“ *To be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. RIP My Bro.*

Jessie Batchelor - April 23, 2018 at 09:38 AM

JW

“ *Cheryl, Jasmine and Janice are out of state but our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time. May God give you strenght and comfort.*

Janice White - April 23, 2018 at 08:14 AM

JM

“ *Rest In Peace. May God comfort your family. I enjoyed working with you and sharing laughs.*

James Morris, France Environmental



James Morris - April 23, 2018 at 07:16 AM

GS

“ *Gerald Scott lit a candle in memory of Randall Gerard Hopkins, Sr.*



Gerald Scott - April 23, 2018 at 05:08 AM

AR

“ Donna & Family,
Offering our thoughts and prayers at this
difficult time. We are so sorry for your loss but
wanted you to know that God will comfort and
keep you and give you strength to hold on.
May you find strength in the love of family and in the warm embrace
of friends.



*The Rice Family,
Albert, Carolyn and Terrence*

Albert Rice - April 22, 2018 at 05:14 PM

CB

“ Carla Braxton lit a candle in memory of
Randall Gerard Hopkins, Sr.



Carla Braxton - April 22, 2018 at 01:28 PM

RW

“ To the family of Randy...
I thank God for having been the recipient of Randy's gift of
instrument and of song. God is truly pleased, because Randy did
NOT "sit" on his gift, selfishly.
HE SHARED IT WITH OTHERS!!! We, at Third St. Bethel A. M. E.
Church, are forever BLESSED - for Randy passed this way, and he
touched our lives!

*Rest now, Randy! We will see you, IN THE MORNING.
Rita H. Willis (SeñoRita)*

Rita H. Willis - April 21, 2018 at 01:19 PM

E)

“ *Earl & Brenda Lindsey (Former Co-worker) purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Randall Gerard Hopkins, Sr..*



Earl & Brenda Lindsey (Former Co-worker) - April 20, 2018
at 04:27 PM

LM

“ *to a wonderful person and musician will truly be miss*

Lolita S Moses - April 20, 2018 at 04:24 PM

AT

“ *Andrea L Tucker lit a candle in memory of Randall Gerard Hopkins, Sr.*



Andrea L Tucker - April 20, 2018 at 12:33 PM

AT

“ *To the family of Randall Hopkins, you have my deepest condolences. Randy was a good man and he will be greatly missed.*

Andrea L Tucker - April 20, 2018 at 12:32 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 19, 2018 at 04:06 PM

AW

Randy you was a true friend will miss you dearly

adelaide Wood - April 22, 2018 at 03:34 PM

ET

Dearest Donna, prayers of comfort and peace are extended to you and yours during Randy's passing. According to Matthew 5:4 "blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted." May God continue to bless, strengthen, and keep you. May the warmth of God's love continue to embrace you.

Love, Etta

Ettava - April 22, 2018 at 06:16 PM