



Rickey Lee Purnell

January 1, 1960 - July 14, 2007

Rickey Lee Purnell, sr., son of the late Herbert Mitchell and Shirley Purnell, was born on January 1, 1960. He departed this life on July 14, 2007 after a short illness. He attended Baltimore public schools and later returned to receive his GED. At a young tender age of ten years old, he met his first girlfriend, Teresa Jones. Out of their friendship they fell in love and had two sweet children, Terica and Rickey (whom he called Mister). Rickey accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as his Savior and became a member of 1st apostolic Church where he fellowship until he became sick. Rickey loved to play and watch football and basketball. He also loved to raise pigeons at an early age. Everywhere Rickey would go he made lots friends with his beautiful smile and laughter. When he would laugh, you could not stop laughing. Rickey leaves to mourn; tow children, Terica Roshirl Purnell and Rickey Lee Purnell, Jr.; his mother, Shirley Purnell; one sister, Mary Byrd (who he protected and loved so much); five grandchildren, Dedri C. Chambers, Sherica T. Chambers, Anthony V. Chambers, Alia T. Chambers and Terrell C. Chambers; two nieces, Tarsha Conway and Kristy Henderson; one favorite nephew, Sean Henderson (whom he loved like a son, always calling him Sean-Sean); two uncles, Preston Purnell from Florida and James Purnell from Baltimore, Maryland (whom he called Jimmy); four aunts, Bertha Purnell, Aunt Jean, Dorothy Johnson all from Baltimore, Maryland and Lillie Mae Martin from New York; one grandmother, Flo from Michigan and a host of other relatives and friends. His brother, Henry Lee Byrd, preceded him in death.

Tribute Wall



“ Rickey Lee Purnell

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“ it's been two years since god called my brother home but it seen like he just left us today i will always have a very special place in my heart for my baby brother i miss and forver love you##imported-begin##mary##imported-end##

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“ today is the 14th of july this is the day that GOD called my sweet baby brother home to be with him and the rest of my family we all really miss you we are always talking about all the good times that we share sean miss when you always telling him about the footballs games kristy always talking about how much she miss you and i your only sister always remeber you smile and laughter i miss when we would go for a walk just chatting away i love you and forever miss you mom is still has a broken heart she always and forever thinks about you every day and love you so much so rest my brother ricky untill we meet again love your sister mary,mom sean and kristy march 14,2008##imported-begin##mary byrd##imported-end##

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“ Hello !Purnell's ! I would like to send my condolences to you all. When some one die it breaks the circle of life for all. There is so much comfort found in the bible to help in endureing the sadden that comes with our love one no longer being with us. Imagine the happiness to be enjoyed when the dead are resurrected in the near future. May the almost 47 years of cherish and precious memories of Rickey help in life journey .##imported-begin##lilian Crosby##imported-end##

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“ *this is the christmas card that my brother sent to me MY FRIST CHRISTMAS IN HEAVEN I SEE THE COUNTLESS CHRISTMAS TREES AROUND THE WORLD BELOW WITH TINY LIGHTS, LIKE HEAVEN'S STARS, REFLECTING IN THE SNOW. THE SIGHT IS SO SPECTACULAR, PLEASE WIPE AWAY YOUR TEAR, FOR I AM SPENDING CHRISTMAS WITH JESUS CHRIST THIS YEAR. I HEARD THE MANY CHRISTMAS SONGS THAT PEOPLE HOLD SO DEAR, BUT THE SOUNDS OF MUSIC CANT'T COMPARE WITH THE CHRISTMAS CHOIR UP HERE. I HAVE NO WORD TO TELL YOU, THE JOY THEIR VOICES BRING FOR IT'S IS BEYOND DESCRIPTION TO HEAR THE ANGLES SING. I KNOW HOW MUCH YOU MISS ME. I SEE THE PAIN INSIDE YOUR HEART, BUT I AM NOT SO FAR AWAY, WE REALLY AREN'T APART SO BE HAPPY FOR ME DEAR ONES. YOU KNOW I HOLD YOU DEAR AND BE GLAD I'M SPENDING CHRISTMAS WITH JESUS CHRIST THIS YEAR. I SENT YOU EACH A SPECIAL GIFT, FROM MY HEAVENLY HOME ABOVE, I SENT YOU EACH A MEMORY OF MY UNDYING LOVE. AFTER ALL, LOVE IS A GIFT MORE PRECIOUS THAN PURE GOLD, IT WAS ALWAYS MORE IMPORTANT IN THE STORIES JESUS TOLD. PLEASE LOVE AND KEEP EACH OTHER, AS MY FATHER SAID TO DO, FOR I CAN'T COUNT THE BLESSING OR LOVE HE HAS FOR EACH OF YOU. SO HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND WIPE AWAY THAT TEAR. REMEMBER, I AM SPENDING CHRISTMAS WITH JESUS CHRIST THIS YEAR. ##imported-begin##mary byrd##imported-end##*

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“ To the Purnell Family, Sorry to hear about your love one. At Rev. 21:3&4 God said he will be with mankind and wipe out every tear from our eyes and death will be no more. Like you I look forward to that time. When we will be able to see our dead love ones again. (John 5:28&29) The Bible speaks of Jehovah God as being the God of comfort and through our difficult times he can give us the strength we need to make it through our struggles. (Isa 41:13)###imported-begin##Lillian Lewis###imported-end##

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“ i miss you so much .###imported-begin##mary###imported-end##

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“ i will truly miss my baby brother wish that he did not have to go away ,but God wanted him to come home. everyday i think of you im always trying not to cry i just look at your picture and just think about the good times that we share all our lives together.i just keep in mine that one day be will be together again wher it's nothing but happiness,joy and peace so claim your victory a untill i see you again i love your rickey you will always be in my heart and soul from your sister mary###imported-begin##mary byrd###imported-end##

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“ Please accept my condolences on the loss of your loved one. It truly is unfortunate that we must experience the sorrow associated with the loss of one we love. However, there is a source of comfort for us. God's Word, the Bible assures us that "the Father of tender mercies and the God of all comfort...comforts us in all our tribulation." 2 Corinthians 1:3,4. It also offers us the solution to our source of distress at Acts 24:15 and John 5:28,29. Please contact me if you would like to discuss this wonderful provision further.##imported-begin##Gwen Winston##imported-end##

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