



## Samuel Woolridge

July 30, 1940 - January 6, 2015

Samuel Woolridge born on July 30, 1940 to Wilhelmina Woolridge and Eddie Neal in Midlothian, VA. Sam was the first born of 4 children, Maurice, Frank, and Jane B. Mallory. Sam departed this life on Tuesday, January 6, 2015.

He united in marriage to Marie Jenifer Jones on March 18, 1967. From this union three children were born, Saphonia LiChelle, Samuel DeWayne and Sherry Tianna Marie.

He was educated in the Midlothian School system, but later transferred to Maggie Walker High School in Richmond, VA. After leaving Richmond, he attended Berklee School of Music in Boston, MA. Sam was a truck driver for many years, where he eventually retired from the City of Richmond as a driver for the Dept. of Public Works.

He enjoyed music of all kinds especially R&B and Gospel. For a time he was the keyboard player and vocalist for Lil' Walter and later in life became the keyboard player and vocalist for The Soldiers of Vision.

He was baptized at Bethlehem Baptist Church in Midlothian, VA. Later he became a member of St. Paul's Baptist Church, Pastor Lance Dean Watson.

Sam was a very happy go lucky person who always wanted to make and keep

you laughing. We will remember all of the very funny things that he would say and do to make you laugh, whether it made sense or not. His beautiful smile was infectious to all around him.

He was preceded in death by his Mother and Father, Wilhelmina Mallory and Eddie Neal, daughter Saphonia LiChelle Woolridge and brothers, Maurice and Frank Mallory.

Sam leaves to cherish his memories his devoted wife of 47 years, Marie J. Jones-Woolridge, son Samuel DeWayne and daughter, Sherry T. Woolridge; sister, Jane B. Washington; aunt, Dorothy Barnes; devoted granddaughter, Cr`Stael B. Woolridge, granddaughters, LaRee C., D`Jha R. Woolridge; grandson, Samuel DeWayne Woolridge, Jr. and great-granddaughter, Zhmirah Saphonia-Marie Woolridge; mother-in-law, Mrs. Mae Jane Jones, brother-in-law, John D. Jones, aunt, Mrs. Lucille Pressley and other relatives and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

3101 Nine Mile Road  
Richmond, VA 23223

# Previous Events

## viewing

JAN **9**. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

March Funeral Home-Laburnum Chapel  
Richmond, VA 23222

## Service

JAN **10**. 1:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Samuel Woolridge*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss . How comforting to know that Almighty God has not only the power but the desire to reunite us with our loved ones by means of the resurrection hope Jesus spoke of in the Bible at John 5 : 28,29 may this be a source of comfort doing this time of grief and pain .*

**Delores Allen** - January 10, 2015 at 05:32 AM



“ *To the family of Samuel Woolridge,*

*Please accept my deepest condolences. Death is like a hole in your heart it hurts. And the hole will not be filled until you see your love one again.*

*"If a man dies, can he live again? I will wait all the days of my compulsory service. Until my relief comes. You will call, and I will answer you. You will long for the work of your hands." ( Job 14:14-15 )*

**bess murphy** - January 08, 2015 at 09:37 AM

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“ Our family would like to express condolences to The Woolridge Family. May you find comfort from Jehovah God's Word The Bible where He assures us that death will be brought to nothing. Other scriptures even show us that our dear loved ones will be resurrected back to a beautifully restored paradise earth. Our prayers are with your family.

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**linn family** - January 08, 2015 at 07:39 AM

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“ Carolyn"Pattie" Jefferson- Street lit a candle in memory of Samuel Woolridge



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**Carolyn"Pattie" Jefferson- Street** - January 08, 2015 at 07:29 AM



“ 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** - January 07, 2015 at 06:02 PM