



Walter Barham

April 15, 1970 - October 18, 2001

The Lord is my Shepherd I shall not want. (Psalm 23:1) On October 18, 2001, God called home to eternal rest, His son, Walter James Barham, Jr. Walter was born on April 15, 1970, in Baltimore, Maryland, the only son of his beloved parents, Doris and Walter Barham, Sr. He was a very special young man and he loved people. He never met a stranger. He was fondly known among the Zion Baptist Family as the “up front church greeter”. Not only was he the “up front greeter” at Zion, his gift of hospitality was matched by his charm, and it was experienced at every family gathering. Walt had the spirit of a “Prince Charming”, always kissing the ladies hands and winning every one’s heart that he met. Walter was diagnosed as having Cerebral Palsy when he was 14 months, so at the tender age of 2 ½ years old, Walter became a student at the Delrey Development Center in Catonsville, MD. At the age of 6 1/2, he entered the William S. Baer School and remained there until the age of 21. Upon graduation, he then became a client at the United Cerebral Palsy Adult Center in Arbutus, MD. Even though Walter was a special needs person, he had the privilege of traveling with his parents and sister to at least 29 States, Canada and Mexico. On his first and only flight to California, you would have thought he was a “seasoned” flyer. He loved that flying experience; however, Disney World was his favorite vacation “hot spot”. Unable to speak or walk, his presence served as a constant source of strength and encouragement to others who were challenged. He had small eyes and a small body frame, but his spirit was so large that he challenged

others to fight, never give up, and never gives in. Walt had a champion and enduring spirit. It is this champion spirit that led to the vision and birth of the Deaf Ministry of Zion and continues to birth hope, courage and long suffering. In addition to his parents, Walt leaves to carry on his champion spirit, one sister, Erica Barham; two grandmothers, Jacquelyn Barham and Catherine Richardson; godparents, Herbert and Sarah Waddell; nine aunts, nine uncles and a host of other relatives and friends. When peace like a river attendeth my way And sorrows like sea billows roll, Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, It is well; it is well with my soul. It is well, (It is well) With my soul (with my soul) It is well; it is well with my soul. The Family

Tribute Wall



“ *Walter Barham*

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of your loss. May God be with you in your time of need.##imported-begin##Amanda Richter##imported-end##*

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ *May God's peace be upon you and may he comfort and stengthen you in this time of sorrow. Know that you can cast all of your cares on him for he truly cares for you.##imported-begin##Robin Smith-ricks##imported-end##*

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to you and your family during this time of berevement. Yours truly, Mr. and Mrs. Larry E. Sewell##imported-begin##Larry Sewell##imported-end##*

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ *Dear Barham family, Great is God's faithfulness!!! In your time of sorrow hold fast to God for support. Your lost and the world's lost is heavens gain.##imported-begin##George & Eunice Buck##imported-end##*

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ *Walter and Doris, You have our deepest sympathy on the loss of your son. May you find strength,love, and courage in God when you need him the most. Sandy and Kenny Brookins*”

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ *You Have My Sympathy.*”

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ *You Have My Sympathy.*”

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ *To the Barham Family: My deepest sympathy for your family. May God bless you in your time of sorrow. "God looked around his Garden and found an empty place. He then looked down upon his earth and saw his loving face. He put his arms around him and lifted him to rest. His Garden must be beautiful, he always takes the best."*”

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ *Dear Doris and Walter, Our deepest sympathy and prayers for you and your family. Love, Charlie and Nancy*”

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ During this time of sorrow, may you feel the love that reaches out to you and your family in every word, every touch and in every thought.##imported-begin##Mattie G. Richards##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ Dear Walt & Family: What is there to say when someone who was loved so much is lost too soon? I deeply feel for you and ask the Lord to hold each of you in the comfort of His love.##imported-begin##Janet Thompson##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ To the entire Barham family we extend our sincere sympathy in your time of loss. In particular Walt the manner in which you cared for your son over the years is an example for other fathers to remember. Now take extra special care of yourselves over the coming days. You and your family will be in our prayers.##imported-begin##Ron Priebe & Family##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ To the Barham family: The loss you have suffered is felt by all Parents in your community of christian faith. Remember that the Lord has taken the pain and suffering away and lifted Walter Jr. up to his rightful place beside him. May the Lord give you the strength you require to carry on without your son with you!##imported-begin##Allan Heath##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ May God bless you and be with you in your time of sorrow. May He give you strength and hope to meet each new tomorrow. He has said I will never leave thee nor forsake thee... Hebrew13:5
Sincerely, The March Family and Staff###imported-begin##Victor C. March, Sr.###imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ Uncle Walt, Doris & Erica. We are truly saddened by the loss of Little Walter. I pray that you find comfort as we have in the fact that he is in heaven, smiling down on us. May God comfort and keep you. We love you.###imported-begin##Kenneth & Dionne Blackledge###imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ A piece of my heart is broken. A strong link from our family chain is again missing, but his spirit lives in each of us who truly knew him. Until we greet again, he will be forever missed. I love you, Walter. May God's goodness and grace rain down on us as we struggle to continue on with our lives.###imported-begin##Monica D. Barham###imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ For this God is our god for ever and ever; he will be our guide even to the end. Psalms48:14. Love you###imported-begin##Hubert &Elvira Jones###imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ Walter, Doris and Erica - I will always remember my nephew and remember him with a smile! I can still see him blowing kisses! It brings me comfort knowing that he is blowing kisses in heaven and that he is with his cousin Wanda. Hopefully, that brings you comfort too. Love and God Bless.##imported-begin##Zaneta Davis##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ Doris & Walter: My deepest sympathy to you & your family. May your wonderful memories of Walter help sustain you through this most difficult time! Love, Toba##imported-begin##Toba Thaman##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ Doris, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. The good times will be your memories and I'm sure there were many of them - take care. Amanda##imported-begin##amanda goodwin##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ My deepest condolences on the loss of Walter. I will always keep you in my prayers.##imported-begin##William Lehrer RN##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ Doris, Walter, & Erica. Our hearts are saddened at this time. My prayers of Love, peace & strength are with you & your family. Walt, Jr. will be missed. I remember the first time I met him around 5 yrs. old. What a sweet spirit person. Sorry we were unable to attend the homegoing. I was on leave from the 18th and found out that Monday when I returned. Please accept our most heartfelt condolences. Love always, Jackie J.##imported-begin##Leroy & Jackie Johnson##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ Walter, I was so sorry to hear about your loss. I just heard recently and wanted to offer my sincere condolences. I will keep you and your family in prayer. Walter, Jr. is surely at peace with the Lord.##imported-begin##Nina Harper##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ Walt, You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I'm sorry to hear about your loss.##imported-begin##Darlene Carrier##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ May God comfort and bring peace to your family during this time of need.##imported-begin##Ronalda Leneau##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ You have my deepest heartfelt sympathy. May you always remember "Little Walt" and the sunshine he brought into your life. Know that God hears and answers prayers.##imported-begin##Pernell Cofield##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ I am sorry to hear of your lost and my prayers go out to you and your family. May God bless you all.##imported-begin##Ralph H. Levi##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ Dear Walter, Doris, and Erica - You are in our prayers. May God bless you with His everlasting peace and comfort. We love you.##imported-begin##Lance and Shirley Hinton##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ Doris: I am keeping you and your family in my prayers. In time may your precious memories of Walter Jr., turn your tears to smiles. God Bless You.##imported-begin##Patricia Gill##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ Doris, you and your family have my deepest sympathy and my prayers during this your time of bereavement.##imported-begin##Cheryl Barton##imported-end##

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ Doris and Walter, I pray that both of you will find strength in the memories of little Walter. He truly touched many lives!!!
Joan Proctor-Young

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ Doris & Walter, May God strengthen you in your hour of need, May you find comfort in your memories, If I can be of any help, please feel free to call me. Love, J.
Jeanette Wright

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ He fought the good fight! May God continue to strengthen you and your family.
Arlene Jackson (Waters A.M.E.)

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ WE are so sorry to hear about Walter. Walter was one beautiful person who touched my heart so much, and he was so bless to have two beautiful peoples as his parents. Walter is in heart for life, my baby is not suffering anymore. I'm going to miss Walter alot. May God Bless you all .We all love you very very much!!!!!!!
cassandra & family
mcdonald

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ *Walt Sr. and Family, My deepest sympathies for the loss of your son.##imported-begin##Lesley Nickel##imported-end##*

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ *My deepest condolences to you and your family. May God be with you and your family during this time of berevment.##imported-begin##Brenda Kyle##imported-end##*

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ *I was very blessed to have known Walter and his family over the years. My fondest memory was when we were children, and I learned sign language from Walter and his sister Erica. Through the eyes of a child, and now through the eyes of adulthood, I was very impressed and very uplifted to see the love and strength of your family. I know that you loved him very well just as the many people who loved him. God will continue to bless you during your time of sadness and goodbye by taking care of your son, who is now with God. I will remember him and continue to share the same wonderful stories that I have shared to others about him, and his family, and the strength of your love. I send you my love and may God bless you and comfort you.##imported-begin##Adrienne Gravish and Family##imported-end##*

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM



“ *We wish you many blessings during this time- And may God keep you strong.##imported-begin##Jason & Keara Washington##imported-end##*

July 02, 2010 at 02:21 PM