

*As I sit in Heaven
 And watch over you every day
 I try to let you know with signs
 I never went away.
 I hear you when you're laughing,
 And watch you when you sleep,
 I even place my arms around you
 To calm you as you weep.
 I see you wish the days away
 Begging to have me home.
 So I try to send you signs
 So you know you're not alone.
 Don't feel guilty that you have
 Life that was denied to me
 Heaven is truly beautiful
 Just you wait and see.
 So live your life, be free
 And know with every breath you take
 You'll be taking one for me.
 Love, Daddy James*

"Our chains will link again"



HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Emmanuel Sims Joe Cannon
 Robert Daniels Gerald Carter
 Calvin Woolfolk

PALLBEARERS

Leroy "Dank" George Vincent Thomas
 Kevin Alexander Adrienne Young
 Juan Taylor Michael Fox

FLOWER GIRLS

Family and Friends

*We knew little that day
 God was going to call your name
 In life we loved you dearly
 In death, We do the same.
 You left us beautiful memories
 Your love is still our guide.
 And although we cannot see you,
 You are always at our side.
 Our family chain is broken
 And nothing seems the same,
 But as God calls us one by one,*

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The family wishes to thank all of you for your thoughts, prayers, phone calls and all acts of kindness during our time of sorrow.

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**Celebration of Life
 for**

James Christopher Simms



Sunrise
 May 3, 1963

Sunset
 July 29, 2017

Friday, August 4, 2017
 12:00pm

JERICO BAPTIST CHURCH
 8435 JERICO ROAD
 RUTHER GLEN, VA 22546

REV. RALEIGH HARRIS, JR., PASTOR

JAMES CHRISTOPHER SIMMS

Obituary

James C. Simms, son of James Simms and Joanne Keys Simms, was born on May 3, 1963 and went to be home with the Lord on Saturday, July 29, 2017. James was preceded in death by his brothers, Antione Simms and Wayne Johnson, and grandparents, Archie and Daisy Keys, Ella Mae Best, and Mary and Tilman Simms.

James accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior at a young age and was a lifelong member of Jericho Baptist Church. James attended Caroline County Public Schools. He worked as a skycap at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport, Washington, D.C. for several years and as a lumper at Richfood Distribution Center in Richmond, VA. until he chose to become an entrepreneur, starting his own business. James was an expert at painting and detailing trucks/rims.

James was a person who would “keep it 100.” His wit and wisdom would leave a lasting impression on everyone that he met. James had a positive outlook and would see the glass as half full rather than half empty. Family meant everything to James. He was a devoted father, uncle, and father figure; often taking trips with all of his “kids” to the Virginia State Fair, Skateland, and swimming.

James leaves to cherish his memory, loving and devoted parents, James and Joanne Simms. He also leaves two sons, Jamaine Brown and James Simms; three daughters, Johanna (DeAir) Hairston, Kayla Wilson, and Kendra Simms; four granddaughters, Kaylei, DeAira, Brooke, and Jameriah; one sister, Lisa (Alvester) Coleman and sister-in-law Cheryl Johnson; three brothers, Derrick (Sherry), Anthony Leon (Rea), and Darrell (Donna) Simms; one uncle, Melvin Keys (Francine); three aunts, Jackie Taylor, Helen Fox, and Vivian (Ray) Cosby; nieces and nephews, Derrick, AJ, Alysha, Alex, Keona, and Dakota; and host of cousins, and devoted friends, Joe Cannon and Philip Johnson. James also had a special kind of love for Conchita and Deion Green.

Expressions of Gratitude

The family of James C. Simms wishes to thank everyone for the acts of kindness shown during the passing of our Beloved James Simms.

Order of Service

Musical PreludeAnnette Young

ProcessionalClergy, Family & Friends

Musial SelectionChoir

Scriptures

Old Testament Dr. Arthur Farmer

New Testament Rev. Eddie Nelson

Prayer of Comfort Rev. Bruce Claiborne

SoloMr. Michael Minor

Expressions (2 minutes please) Rev. L. Nolan Fox
Siblings
Joe Cannon

Acknowledgments Donna Moore-Simms

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Musical SelectionTeresa Thomas and Choir

The Eulogy Rev. Raleigh Harris, Jr

Recessional

Loving Memories

