



## James Bell

October 6, 1953 - April 16, 2011

BELL, Mr. James - Age 57, passed away Saturday, April 16, 2011 in Memphis, Tennessee. Family hour 10:30 a.m. Monday, April 25, 2011 at Greater Galilee Baptist Church, 4418 Industrial Ave., with funeral service commencing at 11 a.m. Pastor Latrelle Holmes officiating. Interment River Rest Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:30 a.m. Monday. Mr. Bell will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., and may be viewed from 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Sunday. Mr. James Lee Bell was born on April 16, 1953 in Flint, Michigan, the son of Frank and Erma J. Bell. James attended Northwestern and Montrose High Schools. Mr. James Lee Bell leaves to cherish his memory: daughter, Mitoya Clark; 3 grandchildren; mother, Erma J. Bell; sister, Pearl (Sammy) Harris of West Pointe, MS; 2 brothers, Frank Bell, Jr. and Frank Edward Bell of Chicago, IL; 7 aunts, Freda (Dandre) Williams, Lorene Randall and Vivian Holmes, all of Flint, Sylvia (JD) Avery of Henderson, NV, Ann (Jesse) Glenn, Beverly (Charles) Clinton, Sandra (Steve) Jones, all of Memphis, TN; 5 uncles, Hardin (Virginia) Holmes of Detroit, MI, Lawrence (Marcia) Ratliff, James Ratliff, all of Flint, Bobby (Anna) Ellis, Jimmy (Shirley) Ellis, all of Memphis, TN; mother of his daughter, Marcella Clark; special cousins, Rev. Latrelle (Veta) Holmes of Flint; close friends, Mike Green, JC Hill, Charles Hill and Richard Seaman, Rev. and Mrs. Leonard Palmer and Family, Mrs. Dessie Johnson and Family, Mrs. Josephine Taylor and Family, Clara Williams, Mrs. Ossie Smith; a host of other relatives and

friends. Mr. Bell was preceded in death by his father, Frank Bell, Sr.; grandfathers, Jimmy Ellis and James Ratliff; grandmothers, Lelah Ratliff and Mangie Lee Bell; uncles, Ernest (Skeeter) Holmes, Willie Bell, Sam Bell, Charlie Bell, Frank Randall, III. and Calvin Ratliff; aunts, Alice Brooks and Jeanette Ratliff. The family would like to give special thanks to Rev. Leonard Palmer, Pastor Latrelle Holmes for his guidance and Greater Galilee Baptist Church Family for their generous hospitality during our time of need.

# Tribute Wall



“ *James Bell*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *May the Lord wrap his arms around this family and give you strength that you need through this time. Jimmy was a dear friend and will be in my heart forever. The Lord makes no mistakes he just came and got His angel. Gone but never forgotten. RIP Babe!*

**Janis Thorns** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *dear dad i miss u and love you very much I know you are watching over me im at a lost for words because im still in denial but i know your with my brother and god so this gives me comfort. I love you daddy!!!!!! (tears)*

**Mitoya clark** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *granddaddy Ilove and miss you*

**janiya holden** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Sadly misses you always and forever. Rest in peace*

**Marcella clark** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ YOU CANT QUESTION GOD ON WHY HE TOOK YOU SO SOON ALL YOU CAN DO IS CLOSE YOUR EYES N REMEMBER THE GOOD TIMES WE SHARDED..LOVING YOU IF YOU NEAR OR FAR.. YOU WILL ALWAYS BE MY 1 AND ONLY BROTHER-N-LAW..LOVE YOU JIMMY YOU WILL BE MISSED

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**Tracey Sadler** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *God surrenders all His angels at the proper time. Keep your head up. Love you. RIP Jimmy!*

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**Joyce Beard** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ *I became acquainted with James when he began to visit our offices quite often. He never met any strangers and kept us all laughing from the time he walked in the door until he left. I was saddened to learn of his passing, but I know God makes no mistake and we must accept his will. May God bless the family and may you continue to lean and depend on him who is able to strengthen you during this time of sorrow.*

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**Carol Hill** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ TO THE FAMILY I WAS GLAD TO HAVE MET JIMMY HE WOULD ALWAYS MAKE ME LAUGH AND I WILL REMEMBER THE LAST TIME I SAW HIM AT MY PARTY. GOD KNEW BUT WE HAVE TO LET HIM DO HIS JOB. LOVE U ERMA

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**DYANNE ALDRIDGE** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Our Nephew was truly Loved and will be Missed. God don't make no mistakes. He only takes the best. I didn't call him Jimmy Shine for nothing He will Shine from Heaven on us all. He might be gone but not forgotten. Rest in Peace

Love

Beverly & Charles

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**Beverly Clinton** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ To Frank and all of the Bell family... May God continue to bless, strenghten and comfort the family Missy Gloria Jordan Thompson New Life COGIC 4401 Selby st Flint 48505 Supt Quintin L. Marshall, Sr; Pastor

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**Missy Gloria Jordan Thompson** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ We will miss Jimmy so much, we enjoyed our times we shared over the past years. Erma we love you and we will keep you and Jr. in our prayers.

Love

Marcus and Tamika

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**Marcus and Tamika Franklin** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

VA

“ To the Bell Family:  
My deepest sympathies during your time of loss. We pray that God will continue to give all of you the strength that is needed.

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**Valarie Adams** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SE

“ Jimmy.  
How can I say Goodbye?  
how Bless I was to be a part of your life. I saw on Saturday you had  
read your daily word,for the last time.I know you are in your  
Heavenly home;  
so many co-workers new friends said so many kind words about  
you. you never complain or ask for help. you went to work  
everyday.Now I can say goodbye because your address has  
change,

Love,Ann

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**S. Ann Ellis-Glenn** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ Aunt Erma & uncle Frank & Family  
May God bless you all. Jimmy always  
encourage all the males in the family to do their best. Jimmy was a  
very repectable uncle and friend.

Reggie

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**Reggie A. Glenn** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Uncle Jimmy,  
will never be forgotten for his great  
shoe shines, I will miss you being @  
grandmothers uncle Jimmy rip  
love, Alex

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**Alex Justin Glenn** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ *Erma & family*  
*Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. 1Peter5:7*  
*Love,*  
*Jesse & Ann*

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**Jesse & Ann Glenn** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Love has no beginning and no end.*  
*This young man was born on my fathers birthday.4/16- Our mutual*  
*great grandfather adopted two boys. Daddy, was one, (abandoned*  
*native american- J.B. the other-) One "white" one "black")raised as*  
*brothers- J.B. passed in 2005-*  
*My Daddy passed in 1967- We are all family, all different hues, but*  
*united in love. Past/present/future- you are always in my prayers-*  
*JCRCH- Jan Heaton*

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**(jeanette ratliff-) Mrs.Jan Heaton** - April 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM