



Mr. James Thomas Dover III

January 6, 1958 - December 31, 2022

DOVER, Mr. James Thomas III - Age 64, passed away Saturday, December 31, 2022, at his residence. Family hour 10:00 AM Saturday, January 14, 2023, Bethel United Methodist Church, 1309 N. Ballenger Hwy., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM Rev. Andrew Ali, officiating. Interment Sunset Hills Cemetery, G-4413 Flushing Rd. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the church 10:00 AM Saturday. Mr. Dover will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd. and may be viewed from 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM Friday. James Thomas Dover III was born in Flint, Michigan on January 06, 1958. He was the son of James T. Dover Jr. and Dorothy (Denson) Flippen. James met the love of his life, Lillie Wash, at the Flint Public Library. They were married for 44 years. From this union they have two children, Elliott and Angela. James graduated from Flint Northwestern High School in 1976 and received an Associate Degree from Mott Community College in 1990. James continued his education and received a Bachelor Degree from the University of Michigan in 1993 and he received a Master of Science Degree from Ferris State University in 1996.

James worked at General Motors for 30 years where he held various positions including, Assembly/Manufacturing, Quality Engineering, and Supervision. He retired from General Motors in 2006. He later obtained a management job at Ryder Logistics corporation. In 2010, James became a College Professor at Baker College and for the next 12 years he was a guiding light for the students he taught. He was a faithful and devoted member of Bethel United

Methodist Church where he held the positions of Pastor Parish Relations Committee President, Church Council President, Sunday School Superintendent and Teacher, Lay Leader-BUMC, Finance Chairperson and served on the Superintendent Committee of the UMC, Michigan Conference Lay Servant Representative for the District, Men's BUMC Breakfast and served amongst many other roles within the church.

James valued knowledge and education. He loved history and politics and was known as the family historian. James had an encyclopedic knowledge of American history. He could tell you about every U.S. president, wars and their geopolitical ramifications. He could walk you through just about any event in American history. James was passionate about affecting the most positive change in people, which later led him to teach and mentor. James enjoyed spending his weekends with his grandchildren, watching black and white movies, taking walks, or sitting on the patio watching the kids play in the backyard. He also enjoyed fellowshiping with family, friends and traveling.

James Thomas Dover III leaves to cherish his memory: wife, Lillie Dover; son, Elliott(Marian) Dover of Prosper, Texas; daughter, Angela Nunn (Anthony) of Sterling Heights, Michigan; mother, Dorothy (Denson) Flippen; sister, Jennifer Dover Spriggs (William) of Great Falls, Virginia; brother, Donald Dover (May); 2 sisters-in-law, Lavern Bond (Roscoe) and Mary Lee Groce of Summit, Illinois; 4 grandchildren, Anthony Nunn II and Alexander Nunn, both of Sterling Heights, Michigan, Phoenix Nelson and Ameria El-Hasan, both of Prosper, Texas; 1 great-granddaughter, Boston Hately of Prosper, Texas; uncle, Elton Denson; aunt, Dorothy (Thompson) Denson; 4 nephews, William T. Spriggs, Justen Bond, Dillan Dover and Arlester McDonald, all of San Diego, California; 3 nieces, Elena Bond, Taryn (Jimmie) Dover-Kaufman and Arleesa McDaniel, all of Summit, Illinois; and a host of cousins, great-nieces, great-nephews, other relatives and friend.

James was preceded in death by his father, James T. Dover Jr; grandparents, William and Lucille (Gregory) Denson, James Dover Sr. and Alberta (Parhm) Dover; step-father, William S. Flippen; aunts and uncles, Martha Cooper,

Thelma Patton, Pauline Brown, Edna Robinson, Delores Jennings, Vola Hall and (Hon. Calvin Hall Sr), William Denson Jr., Gerald Denson, Edward Dover; nephew, Donald Halford Dover.

The family would like to express an extraordinary thanks to Rev. Dr. Andrew Alli, Rev. Naylo Hopkins and the Bethel United Methodist Church family for their awesome support and prayers. Also, to extend a special thanks to ProMedia Hospice.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Hills Cemetery

G-4413 Flushing Rd.
Flint, MI 48504

Previous Events

Public Viewing

JAN **13**. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home Chapel, Flint
906 W. Flint Park Blvd.
Flint, MI 48505
(810) 789-MOON (6666)
lemoonfhflint@gmail.com
<http://www.lawrenceemoonfuneralhome.com>

Family hour

JAN **14**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Bethel United Methodist Church
1309 N. Ballenger Hwy.
Flint, MI

Service

JAN 14. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Flint, MI

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. James Thomas Dover III*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Sandra (Oliver)McDowell lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Thomas Dover III*



Sandra (Oliver)McDowell - February 02, 2023 at 05:32 PM



“ *I'm a former colleague of Professor Dover at Baker College. I'm just learning of his transitioning. I am so sorry. On behalf of the Academic Resource Center Staff, we offer our sincere condolences to the family. Praying for your peace and comfort.*



*Dr. Brenda Brown
ARC Director*

Brenda Brown - February 02, 2023 at 10:46 AM



“ *My sincere condolences to the Dover Family*



Lloyd Turner - January 19, 2023 at 09:24 PM

CG

“ Rest in peace my friend. Your passing was a great shock. I am praying for your family and remembering the good times we shared, playing in the band.



Christopher Gill - January 14, 2023 at 05:44 PM

MB

“ Sincerest condolences and prayers to the family.



Melita Bowman-Murphy - January 14, 2023 at 09:33 AM

VL

“ Violet Legardye lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Thomas Dover III



Violet Legardye - January 13, 2023 at 10:06 PM

VL

“ James always put a smile on my face. Gone is all those world history talks, political debates. That big smile that sometimes seem painful. Peaceful rest my friend. God be with the Dover family, God is always there. Lean on him. V.T.L

Violet Legardye - January 13, 2023 at 10:05 PM

VL

“ I will missed the world history lessons, the political debates and that smile that seems like it hurts. James was one of kind. No more pain ! Rest my friend you shall rise first. Rest of us shall be caught up.,(Dead in Christ Jesus). Your true friend V.T.L

Violet Legardye - January 13, 2023 at 07:48 PM

PR

“ Pamela Ragland lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Thomas Dover III



Pamela Ragland - January 13, 2023 at 06:03 PM

MM

“ My Prayers go out to Jamie's family and loved ones. He is in the care of the Lord now.

Michael Matthews - January 13, 2023 at 05:11 PM

J(

“ James Sharon Owensby (Arizona) lit a candle in memory of James Dover III



James & Sharon Owensby (Arizona) - January 12, 2023 at 09:03 PM

EP

“ *To the Family With our Heartfelt Sympathy and Love.*



EARNEST/NANCY POUNCY - January 12, 2023 at 07:56 PM



“ *Jewell Bowe lit a candle in memory of James Dover III*



Jewell Bowe - January 12, 2023 at 07:42 PM

LB

“ *Lois Bunton lit a candle in memory of James Dover III*



Lois Bunton - January 12, 2023 at 05:48 PM

CA

“ *Our prayers and condolences to the Dover family. Cheryl Cabine Goodrum and family.*



Cheryl Adkins - January 12, 2023 at 01:38 PM

SC

“ Sandra Cabine lit a candle in memory of James Dover III



Sandra Cabine - January 12, 2023 at 12:52 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. James Thomas Dover III.



January 12, 2023 at 12:12 PM

CR

“ Cheryl Rentschler lit a candle in memory of James Dover III



Cheryl Rentschler - January 11, 2023 at 10:43 PM

EB

“ Eddie Linda Booth lit a candle in memory of James Dover III



Eddie & Linda Booth - January 11, 2023 at 08:50 PM

TF

“ *The Nunn Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. James Thomas Dover III.*



The Nunn Family - January 11, 2023 at 05:07 PM

KR

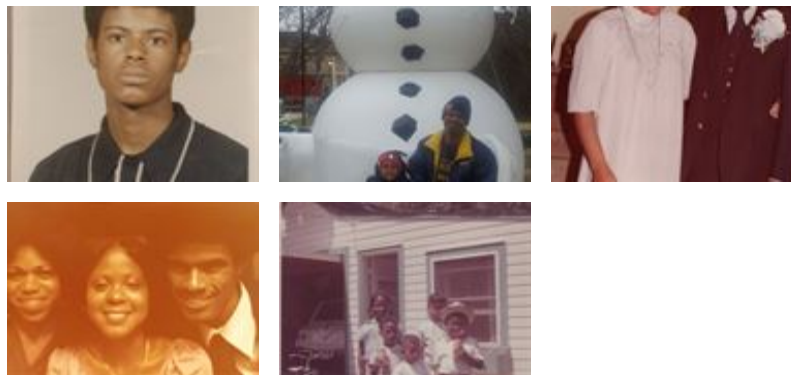
“ *Kendall Reaves lit a candle in memory of James Dover III*



Kendall E Reaves - January 11, 2023 at 03:46 PM



“ *50 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - January 11, 2023 at 12:11 PM

TF

“ *The Morgan Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. James Thomas Dover III.*



The Morgan Family - January 11, 2023 at 09:26 AM

J"

“ *Jacquetta Stinnett Hall "Jackie" lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Thomas Dover III*



Jacquetta Stinnett Hall "Jackie" - January 11, 2023 at 06:49 AM

DJ

“ *My condolences and prayers go out to James Dover III family. James was a Kind and thoughtful person I met at Mt. Calvary Baptist Church where we sung in the choir. May God sustain you all during this difficult time.*



*Deborah Johnson & Family
Shreveport, LA*

Deborah Johnson - January 11, 2023 at 01:11 AM

DC

“ *Lillie and family,*

I had the privilege of working with James when he was a faculty member at Baker College. I will always remember his resounding voice, his bright smile, his great sense of humor, and his genuine concern for his students and his colleagues. He was very dedicated in his teaching and went above and beyond to do his best for his students, changing many lives in the process. Students always had good things to say about Mr. Dover, and the difference that he made in their class and lives.

My sincere condolences on the loss of your husband, father, and grandfather, and may fond memories always dwell in your hearts. May you find comfort in your memories, your faith, family, and friends during this time.

Dr. John Cote

Dr. John Cote - January 10, 2023 at 03:57 PM

SP

“ *Steven And Min. Marvin Pierce lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Thomas Dover III*



Steven and Min. Marvin Pierce - January 10, 2023 at 10:43 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. James Thomas Dover III.*



January 10, 2023 at 10:03 AM



“ *Valerie Jones lit a candle in memory of James Dover III*



Valerie Jones - January 10, 2023 at 12:02 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. James Thomas Dover III.*



January 09, 2023 at 12:27 PM



“ *Cassandra Burks lit a candle in memory of James Dover III*



Cassandra Burks - January 09, 2023 at 01:00 AM

EC

“ *Earl Diane Crowder lit a candle in memory of James Dover III*



Earl and Diane Crowder - January 09, 2023 at 12:36 AM

BS

“ *Betty Sprinkle lit a candle in memory of James Dover III*



Betty Sprinkle - January 08, 2023 at 07:05 PM

AN

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Angela Nunn - January 08, 2023 at 03:29 PM

MC

“ *Mildred Carpenter lit a candle in memory of James Dover III*



Mildred Carpenter - January 08, 2023 at 02:02 PM

DS

“ To James's entire family: James was my best pal for twelve years. In addition to a wonderful friend, I gained Lillie as well....They were the witnesses at my wedding nearly seven years ago. I have written a Tribute to James - straight from my heart - and will be sharing it at his funeral service this coming Saturday. It is so painful to think that I can't simply click his name on speed dial to pick up where we last left off. James was truly one of a kind.

Dr. Sandra Krug Scott

Dr. Sandra Krug Scott - January 08, 2023 at 12:28 PM

RB

“ Rob Boyler lit a candle in memory of James Dover III



Rob Boyler - January 07, 2023 at 10:54 PM

JB

“ My condolences to the family.



Javaris Burks - January 07, 2023 at 08:45 PM

KW

“ KATHERINE WOODARD lit a candle in memory of James Dover III



KATHERINE WOODARD - January 07, 2023 at 06:45 PM

RH

“ My Condolences, Love and Prayers To You All Cousins, Mother Dorothy Flippen, And The Entire Dover Family

James was a great close friend to me. He was almost like another brother. He ended up marrying into the Family 🙏. Now he's my cousin. We had lots of fun talking on the phone, then I would tell him "Hey Jamie bring me a bottle of wine" that just made his day. I had called to wish him Happy Holidays and to check on him but he didn't answer. Then 3 days later I hear that he's transitioned. Oh God my heart is heavy. I'M GONNA MISS YOU. I LOVE YOU JAMIE R.P.I.H 😭

MR. JAMES T DOVER 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

RUTHI HILL & FAMILY ❤️



Ruthi Hill - January 07, 2023 at 04:30 PM

NH

“ I was so saddened to hear of James transitioning. Sending my deepest condolences to the entire family.

Neysa Hodges-Burns - January 07, 2023 at 03:25 PM

LJ

“ We are so sorry for your loss and we pray for Gods covering for you and your family we have fond memories of James he was always kind and good company.
Deb and cousin Linston

Linston Jones - January 07, 2023 at 02:22 PM

JJ

“ *My condolences to the family.*



Jovita Johnson - January 07, 2023 at 11:46 AM

CT

“ *Cleo Thompson sent a virtual gift in memory of James Dover III*



Cleo Thompson - January 06, 2023 at 10:14 PM

DS

“ *Debora Stitt lit a candle in memory of James Dover III*



Debora Stitt - January 06, 2023 at 09:09 PM

CT

“ Cynthia Tipton lit a candle in memory of James Dover III



Cynthia Tipton - January 06, 2023 at 09:19 AM



“ I send my deepest sympathy and prayers to the Dover family.



Toye Campbell - January 05, 2023 at 09:43 PM

JB

“ Judy Richard Buckley lit a candle in memory of James Dover III



Judy and Richard Buckley - January 05, 2023 at 07:48 PM

DP

“ Lillian, my prayers are with your entire family. You have my deepest condolences in the passing of James



Dorothy Parrish - January 05, 2023 at 03:55 PM

TF

“ *The Family lit a candle in memory of James Dover III*



The Urbance Family - January 05, 2023 at 01:11 PM

JB

“ *Joyce Bah, Its so sad that he passed, I send my sincere prayers of condolences to family of Mr James Dover III..*



Joyce Bah - January 04, 2023 at 09:26 PM

RJ

“ *Sending prayers and condolences to the Dover Family 🙏🙏🙏
Rita JamersonJones and family!*



Rita JamersonJones - January 04, 2023 at 07:33 PM

SB

“ *I extend my sympathy and condolence to the Dover family. May God give you the strength to cope during this difficult time. That the memories of James will always be your peace and comfort. Rest in paradise my fellow classmate c/o '76 Flint NWHS...Wildcats for life.
Sandra Berry-Patton*

Sandra Berry-Patton - January 04, 2023 at 07:04 PM

BK

“ *Lillie and family, I'm so sorry for your loss. May Father GOD surround you all with His comfort, strength and peace.*

Betty Knapp - January 04, 2023 at 04:54 PM

JW

“ *Jacqueline Woodard lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Thomas Dover III*



Jacqueline Woodard - January 04, 2023 at 04:04 PM

RA

“ *Rosia Anderson lit a candle in memory of James Dover*



Rosia Anderson - January 04, 2023 at 09:42 AM

CT

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Cynthia Tipton - January 04, 2023 at 09:22 AM

DW

“ *Dandre' & Freda Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Thomas Dover III*



Dandre' & Freda Williams - January 04, 2023 at 05:30 AM

DS

“ *Deidre Spight-Woodson lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Thomas Dover III*



Deidre Spight-Woodson - January 04, 2023 at 01:25 AM

RH

“ *JAMES WAS SUCH A GREAT FRIEND THAT BECAME MY COUSIN. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED ALWAYS..... MY DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO THE ENTIRE FAMILY AND FRIENDS.. RIP JAMIE..... 🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏*

RENEE HILL-SYKES - January 03, 2023 at 09:18 PM



“ *James was one of a kind. We would speak every now and then; he would tell me about our family and we would laugh. I will miss you Cousin. Love you. Oretha (Reta) Hambrick-Harris. Wildcats for life c/o 76.*

Reta Harris - January 03, 2023 at 09:13 PM

VS

“ Sending condolences the Dover family.



Valerie Southall - January 03, 2023 at 08:31 PM

LM

“ Lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Dover III
Rest In Peace my fellow classmate c/o 76 Flint
Northwestern High School, Wildcats for Life.
Linda Mayfield 🐱



Linda Mayfield - January 03, 2023 at 08:22 PM

NJ

“ Natalie Jones sent a virtual gift in memory of
Mr. James Thomas Dover III



Natalie Jones - January 03, 2023 at 07:43 PM

JW

“ Jacqueline Woodard lit a candle in memory of
James Dover



Jacqueline Woodard - January 03, 2023 at 06:45 PM

BF

“ *Sending Our Love And Prayers To The Dover Family ,Another Wildcat Gone Home c/o76*



Billings Family - January 03, 2023 at 01:46 PM

RT

“ *Rest in peace James.*



Randolph Tolbert - January 03, 2023 at 01:38 PM

SN

“ *Rest in Heaven classmate*



Sandy Neal - January 03, 2023 at 12:03 PM



“ *Deepest sympathies to the family of James Dover III*



Hope Veasley - January 03, 2023 at 11:45 AM

FC

“ Freddie&Lois Chapman



Freddie&Lois Chapman - January 03, 2023 at 09:43 AM

L-

“ Linda -Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of James Dover



Linda Miller -Wilkerson - January 03, 2023 at 08:19 AM

BB

“ Belinda Bulaker lit a candle in memory of James Dover



Belinda Bulaker - January 03, 2023 at 08:14 AM

DC

“ Debra Cheatom lit a candle in memory of James Dover



Debra Cheatom - January 03, 2023 at 04:36 AM

RB

“ *Rich Brotemarkle lit a candle in memory of James Dover*



Rich Brotemarkle - January 02, 2023 at 11:28 PM



“ *Condolences to the entire Dover family. Alma Street neighbor*

Tina Moreland - January 02, 2023 at 10:10 PM

JW

“ *Janice Womack lit a candle in memory of James Dover*



Janice Womack - January 02, 2023 at 09:55 PM

CT

“ *Cleo Thompson sent a virtual gift in memory of James Dover*



Cleo Thompson - January 02, 2023 at 09:20 PM

BF

“ Praying for the family, may God Comfort each and every one of you all



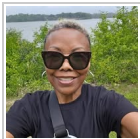
Birtie Forster - January 02, 2023 at 09:16 PM

SJ

“ Senita Jackson sent a virtual gift in memory of James Dover



Senita Jackson - January 02, 2023 at 06:48 PM



“ Phyllis Oliver-Latham lit a candle in memory of James Dover



Phylize Oliver-Latham - January 02, 2023 at 06:46 PM

MR

“ Dear Dover Family,

I am so very sorry to learn of James' passing. I remember him and Donald and that he and my cousin Lloyd were very good friends growing up. I pray that he is resting in peace .

Michelle Turner Robinson



michelle turner robinson - January 02, 2023 at 06:39 PM

LW

“ *Linda Wilkerson lit a candle in memory of James Dover*



Linda Miller Wilkerson - January 02, 2023 at 05:57 PM

LM

“ *Lori McBrayer lit a candle in memory of James Dover*



Lori McBrayer - January 02, 2023 at 04:56 PM



“ *Marjorie Chapman sent a virtual gift in memory of James Dover*



Marjorie Chapman - January 02, 2023 at 03:59 PM



“ *Kim Carpenter lit a candle in memory of James Dover*



Kim E. Carpenter - January 02, 2023 at 01:41 PM



“ *Russell Diane Kirksey lit a candle in memory of James Dover*



Russell & Diane Kirksey - January 02, 2023 at 12:20 PM