



Mr. Wilford DuShawn James

August 11, 1979 - March 19, 2022

JAMES, Mr. Wilford DuShawn - Age 42, passed away Saturday, March 19, 2022, at his residence.

Family hour 10:30 AM Tuesday, March 29, 2022 from the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, 906 W. Flint Park Blvd., with funeral service commencing at 11:00 AM. Minister Raymond Nelson officiating. Interment Flint Memorial Park Cemetery, G-9506 N. Dort Hwy, Mt. Morris, MI. Friends and pallbearers will assemble at the Funeral Home, 10:30 AM Tuesday. Mr. James will lie in state in the Chapel of Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home, and may be viewed from 12:00 PM-6:00 PM Monday. Wilford DuShawn "Shawn" James, age 42, of Flint, Michigan, passed away on March 19, 2022, after a lengthy illness. Shawn was born on August 11, 1979 to Mildred James and Kirk Williams in Flint, Michigan. He was baptized in Vernon Chapel A.M.E. church. After graduating from Flint Central High School in 1997, he went on to study at Central Michigan University. Shawn has one child, Ariya James, with Yolanda Ingram, of Flint, Michigan. He was an all-conference football player at Flint Central, and enjoyed swimming, karate, and other sports. He was a graduate of Flint Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. and a youth member of the Davidson Country Club Swim Team. He was a lifelong fan of the Michigan State University Spartans and tailgated at almost every home football game. Shawn loved spending time with his daughter, Ariya. His hobbies included spending time with his dogs, on-line gaming, and collecting firearms. Shawn was preceded in death by his grandparents, Geraldine and

Wilford James, Rosetta and Earnest Williams; brothers, Kirk Williams Jr. and Dion Williams. Wilford DuShawn "Shawn" James leaves to cherish his memory: parents, Mildred James and Kirk (Jackie) Williams; daughter, Ariya James and her mother, Yolanda Ingram; sister, Charlotte Spencer; aunts, Pam (Bobby) Holz and Patty Oehmke; uncles, Robert E. James, Earnest Williams Jr., Derek Williams, and James Oehmke; and host cousins, other relatives, and friends. The family would like to express special thanks to the Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home the Flint Memorial Park Cemetery, and the DaVita Dialysis Center. Shawn's family wishes to acknowledge with deep appreciation the many comforting messages, floral tributes, prayers, and other expressions of kindness and concern during this time. A more personal acknowledgement will be made at a later date.

Cemetery Details

Flint Memorial Park Cemetery

G-9506 N. Dort Hwy.
Mt. Morris, MI 48458

Previous Events

Public Viewing

MAR 28. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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

Family hour

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Lawrence E. Moon Funeral Home - March 29, 2022 at 08:03 AM



Beautiful home going for Shawn So many truthful story shared by family and friends. My family connection go way back with the James. We met at Vernon Chapel, long story short Shawn was the Ring bearer in our daughter"s wedding in 1988. Sharp tux, but the shoes must to have been a size too small. Shawn went to his grandmother told her these shoes are hurting my feet. Grandma say take them off, he did as he was told for comfort. The Marshall"s love the James"s just like family. We grieve right along with them. God being our helper, we will make it. Peace, love, and joy always. Lena Marshall and family.

Lena Marshall - March 29, 2022 at 12:37 PM



“ *Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*

October 09, 2023 at 07:02 AM



“ *Sending prayers to the James and Williams family. May God bless you with His peace, and comfort you in your time of sorrow.*

Lorado Street Neighbors



The Cardwell Family - March 31, 2022 at 10:10 PM

EW

“ *Mildred James you have always been like a sister to me. I am so sorry I could not be there with you at this time. My heart and love is with you and the family always. Shawn is at peace now, I miss him dearly*

Earnestine Woods - March 29, 2022 at 03:34 PM

TF

“ *The Smart Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



The Smart Family - March 29, 2022 at 10:10 AM



“ *My deepest sympathy.*



Marvin Nunn - March 29, 2022 at 07:54 AM

BC

“ *Tony and Brenda Caldwell*



Brenda Caldwell - March 29, 2022 at 07:14 AM

BC

“ Tony and I will remember the lively many years of conversations we had at MSU tail gate and you as a Jack and Jill kid. Rest in peace my son and walk toward the light!

Tony and Brenda Caldwell

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Brenda Caldwell - March 29, 2022 at 07:12 AM

SL

“ Sheri Logan lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James



Sheri Logan - March 28, 2022 at 09:45 PM

IB

“ Ivy Blount lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James



Ivy Blount - March 28, 2022 at 04:39 PM

EH

“ Elbert Hicks lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James



Elbert Hicks - March 28, 2022 at 12:58 PM

VS

“ *Valdene Sims lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Valdene Sims - March 28, 2022 at 11:54 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James.*



March 28, 2022 at 10:37 AM



“ *Mildred James, our heartfelt condolences during this time. Shawn bought so much joy to all who knew him. We have good memories of watching him grow from childhood until adulthood. Our prayers are with you.*



Lena Marshall - March 28, 2022 at 09:18 AM

JH

“ *My brother! Can't believe you are gone. Thankful for every laugh we had and every memory we made. You will forever be missed. I love you!*



James Huddleston - March 28, 2022 at 08:56 AM



“ *Jacqueline Bridges lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Jacqueline Bridges - March 27, 2022 at 07:51 PM



“ *Pamela Altheimer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Pamela Altheimer - March 27, 2022 at 06:49 PM



“ *Dorothy Simmons lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Dorothy Simmons - March 27, 2022 at 02:31 PM



“ *With our Heartfelt Condolences and Sympathy.
Earnest & Nancy Pouncy*



Earnest/Nancy Pouncy - March 26, 2022 at 06:37 PM

TB

“ *My condolences to the family. RIP nephew* ❤️



Tracy Blake-McEweh - March 26, 2022 at 03:32 PM

KF

“ *KATRINA FIELDER lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



KATRINA FIELDER - March 25, 2022 at 05:24 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James.*



March 25, 2022 at 05:18 PM

GC

“ *George Cole lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



George Cole - March 25, 2022 at 11:25 AM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James.*



March 25, 2022 at 10:27 AM



“ *Michelle Miles lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Michelle Miles - March 25, 2022 at 08:14 AM



“ *Cathy Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Cathy Williams - March 24, 2022 at 11:04 PM



“ *Shawn was a very kind person who would help anybody. He will be missed but the work he did with helping kids learn to swim will never be forgotten. May God bless the James Family.*
Clyde Bell and Family.



Clyde Bell - March 24, 2022 at 12:13 PM

VS

Will miss your kind words and laugh God is with you

Valdene Sims - March 28, 2022 at 11:57 AM



With deepest sympathy to Mildred and the entire James family.

Lena Marshall - March 29, 2022 at 10:46 AM

BB

“ *Belinda Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Belinda Brown - March 24, 2022 at 12:16 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James.*



March 23, 2022 at 11:51 PM

GF

“ *Geraldine Lee & Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Geraldine Lee & family - March 23, 2022 at 09:01 PM



“ *Shawn I'm so very sad we talked everyday... I'm gonna miss you so very much my Love. I love you and I'll miss all of our conversations. Ariya I'm here if you need anything. Mom you have my heart.*



Shante Bray - March 23, 2022 at 08:14 PM

MG

“ *Myrna Greer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Myrna Greer - March 23, 2022 at 06:33 PM

DG

“ *Derek Greer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Derek Greer - March 23, 2022 at 05:38 PM

MG

“ Dear Mildred and Ariya,

*We met Shawn and Ariya at the MSU football games. We shared many stories at the tailgates. He was a great guy and good Dad. We will definitely miss seeing him this Fall.
Go Green, Shawn!*

*Sincere condolences,
Myrna and Derek Greer*

Myrna Greer - March 23, 2022 at 05:35 PM

MM

“ Maxine Murray lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James



Maxine Murray - March 23, 2022 at 04:42 PM

LT

“ Lawrence & Barbara Townsel lit a candle in the memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James. Our condolences to the James family.



Lawrence Bernard Townsel - March 23, 2022 at 02:18 PM

SH

“ Prayers go out to Shawn and his family during this time. May God give you resolve and comfort as the days go in.



Shante (Burke) Hurd - March 23, 2022 at 01:37 PM

WB

“ The greatest big brother I knew I had Shawn was a good hearted person I've ever met who kept me laughing and out of trouble and was a good person to be around we had a lot of fun I'm going to miss him so much Love you Big brother Shawn. REST IN HEAVEN



Willie Wiley (BooJack - March 23, 2022 at 11:22 AM

WB

“ Shawn is like a big brother to me we had a lot of fun he was really good person and had a great heart and loved his Michigan State team we couldn't wait for the game to come on I'm going to miss him so much and he knew how to make you laugh when he knew you were down. I will never forget Shawn he will always be loved in my heart and missed in my soul and I'm going to keep praying for family as always Love you Shawn REST IN HEAVEN BIG BROTHER.

Willie Wiley (BooJack - March 23, 2022 at 11:13 AM



“ *Joya Embry lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Joya Embry - March 23, 2022 at 10:48 AM

DS

“ *Dear Mildred and Ariya,
I pray the Good Lord will comfort and keep the two of you, along with the entire James Family due to the loss of Shawn. He was a kind man, loving and dedicated son and father, who will truly be missed.
Love, Dana Simmons*



Dr. Dana Simmons - March 23, 2022 at 10:37 AM

EF

“ *Eula Pressley and Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James.*



Eula Pressley and Family - March 23, 2022 at 09:43 AM

MA

“ *Melinda Mosley Anderson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Melinda Mosley Anderson - March 23, 2022 at 09:41 AM

LS

“ *Lauren Simpson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Lauren Simpson - March 23, 2022 at 08:26 AM



“ *Marvin Nunn lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Marvin Nunn - March 23, 2022 at 07:28 AM

L(

“ *You were the Sweetest and coolest person I knew. I will always remember our conversations at work when we both worked at Walmart. You were the person I came to for male advice. You will be missed. My condolences to the family. I will be praying for your daughter and the family.*



LaShonda Cleveland (Co-worker) - March 23, 2022 at 04:06 AM

WS

“ My dear Mildred and James family, please know you have our heartfelt sympathy and prayers, upon learning of the passing of your beloved, Shawn! I was just asking you about him when we talked on March 8th. I remember him growing up in Vernon. Later, when older and I would see him on his job at Walmart, he was always so polite and helpful. As you treasure the memories, remember, as one song says: "Just hold on! The Lord will show up, and take you through the fire, again!" Now, "The Lord bless you and keep you...and give you peace." - Numbers 6:24-26 Willene Sumpter and Family



Willene Sumpter - March 23, 2022 at 03:40 AM

TC

“ RIP Friend



Thomas p Chaney - March 23, 2022 at 12:28 AM

DP

“ Danielle Phillips lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James



Danielle Phillips - March 22, 2022 at 08:21 PM

SW

“ *Sleep In Heavenly Peace Nephew.*



Sherry L Williams - March 22, 2022 at 06:50 PM

DE

“ *Mildred I am sorry to hear about the loss of your son. My prayers are with you. Love Deb Edson*

Deborah Edson - March 22, 2022 at 09:31 AM

LN

“ *Lee & Carol Nelson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Lee & Carol Nelson - March 21, 2022 at 09:01 PM

MB

“ *To the family of Wilfred James we're sending our sincere condolences and prayers. The Bey-Woodson family*



Marvin Bey-Woodson - March 21, 2022 at 08:44 PM

LG

“ *Linda Gulley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Linda Gulley - March 21, 2022 at 05:34 AM

PP

“ *Pat Pitts lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Pat Pitts - March 20, 2022 at 03:09 PM



“ *Lula Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Wilford DuShawn James*



Lula Lewis - March 20, 2022 at 11:54 AM

JS

I have very fond memories of DuShawn as a youth at Vernon Chapel AME Church. He was very polite and always a gentleman then and continued to be so as an adult. My sincerest condolences to his mother Mildred, his daughter, and the entire family . May God bless and comfort each of you with strength, peace, and hope. Please know you will be in our prayers . With sympathy , Janet Smalley & Family

Janet Smalley - March 28, 2022 at 09:38 PM