



Mr. James Elliot Hamilton Jr

November 2, 1945 - July 8, 2025

James Elliot Hamilton, Jr., lovingly known as “Junior,” was born on a Friday in Laventille, Trinidad (West Indies) on November 2, 1945. He was the oldest of three children born to James Sr. and Hazel Hamilton. Though born in Trinidad, Junior’s childhood took root in Kingston, Jamaica, where he spent his early years making memories, excelling in school, and always staying curious about the world around him.

In his early twenties, Junior started working in administration, a path that would stay with him throughout much of his life. But one of the biggest turning points came in 1967 when his sister Grace introduced him to a woman who would change everything, Una. It didn’t take long for sparks to fly, and by December of 1968, they were married. Two years later, they took a leap of faith together and moved to the Bronx, New York, ready to build a new life as a team.

Junior began working at Bronx Lebanon Hospital as a medical records clerk, a job he took pride in. Soon after, he stepped into his most cherished role, fatherhood, with the birth of his first daughter, Nicole. Life in New York brought its own rhythm, and Junior found peace in the little joys. One of his greatest passions was music. He loved nothing more than playing his favorite records, letting jazz, soul, and reggae fill the air while he relaxed and let the melodies take over. His musical talent was remarkable, he could name every instrument

in a song, and his home often echoed with his own mini symphonies.

As life moved on, so did his blessings. With the arrivals of Heather and Jessica, the Hamiltons grew into a joyful party of five, filled with laughter, warmth, and unforgettable family memories. In the late 80s, the family traded city lights for sunshine, moving to South Florida to be closer to extended family and start a new chapter. Junior continued his work in medical administration for over 20 years and made time to give back to the community through volunteer work.

In 2004, Junior and Una moved once again, this time to Georgia to be closer to their adult children and growing group of grandchildren. Retirement suited Junior well. He stepped fully into his role as a beloved patriarch, sharing stories, wisdom, and that unmistakable Hamilton charm.

Anyone who knew Junior knew he was the life of the party. With his booming laugh, quick wit, and love for a good debate, he could light up any room. A die-hard cricket fan, he never missed a match and cheered for his favorite teams with the enthusiasm of a true sportsman. He also loved a good game of Jamaican-style dominoes and dared anyone to play—he could read your hand before it even started. But beyond his humor and charisma was a man deeply rooted in faith. He encouraged everyone around him to put God first, always proudly declaring Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior. He believed in lifelong learning, often getting lost in books, especially non-fiction and biographies.

Junior's legacy lives on through the love he poured into his family. He leaves behind his loving wife of 56 years, Una; his three daughters, Nicole (Jeffrey Smith), Heather (Donovan Myers), and Jessica; his six grandchildren, Dejah, Brianna, Alyssa, Erinn, Kyrah, and Maya, and one great-grandchild, little Jeremiah. He is also remembered fondly by his nieces and nephews, Althea, Leighton, Paul Jr., Phoebe, Christopher, and Philip, as well as his brother-in-

law, Paul, and a host of cousins. Though he was preceded in death by his parents, James Sr. and Hazel, and his sisters, Gracelyn Brooks and Valerie Palmer, Junior's spirit remains very much alive in the hearts of all who knew him. His was a life filled with love, music, laughter, and faith, and we're all better for having shared in it.

Cemetery Details

East Shadowlawn Memorial Gardens and Mausoleum

87 Scenic Highway
Lawrenceville, 30043

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 1. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home - Lawrenceville Location
914 Scenic Highway South
Lawrenceville, GA 30045-6353

Family Hours

AUG 1. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Home - Lawrenceville Location
914 Scenic Highway South
Lawrenceville, GA 30045-6353

Celebration of Life

AUG 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory-Gwinnett
914 Scenic Hwy
Lawrenceville, GA 30045

Burial

AUG 2 (ET)

East Shadowlawn Memorial Gardens and Mausoleum
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Tribute Wall



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 Tribute Video



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“ *Sonya D. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. James Elliot Hamilton Jr.*

Sonya D. - August 01, 2025 at 06:18 PM