



James Clifford Venable Jr.

July 8, 1935 - December 21, 2021

James Clifford Venable, Jr., 86, of Lawrenceville, GA, went home to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on December 21, 2021, peacefully at his home. He was born in Huntington, WV on July 8, 1935, to the late James, Sr., and Carrie Venable. He is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Wanda Johnson Venable, also of Huntington, WV.

As a 1953 graduate of Frederick Douglass High School, he played football and sang in the glee club. He attended WV State College and Marshall University before being drafted into the US Navy in 1956. Shortly after completing his military service, he would begin a 31-year career with the US Postal Service, which included serving as President of the Letter Carriers Association of Huntington.

A lifelong and devoted member of Calvary Baptist Church, he cherished his roles as an ordained Deacon; Chairman of the Trustee Board; Sunday School teacher; and singer in the Men's Choir. (After moving to Georgia, he became a member of Salem Bible Church). His participation within the community was exhibited by his Chairmanship of the Douglass High School Reunion in 1993 and 1996; his position as Chief of the Loyal Order of Bison; and most proudly, his co-founding of and coaching within the Lincoln-Oley Football League.

In addition to his wife, Wanda, he is survived by his three children James

(Sharrie) of Snellville, GA, and Andrea and Charles, of Lawrenceville, GA. He also leaves behind two grandsons, Brandon and Jaelen; a godson, Corey Wells, and a special son of the family, Arthur "Buttons" Speakes.

In honor of his last wishes, there will be no viewing or funeral services. A special thank you goes out to Bristol Hospice Care and Gregory B. Levett and Sons Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Cicero Fain Jr. & Emma Barnett purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of James Clifford Venable Jr..*



Cicero Fain Jr. & Emma Barnett - January 05, 2022 at 05:02 PM

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“ *Venable Family,
You are in my prayers 🙏 and Heart. I Loved Deacon Venable's robust Laugh, very optimistic and a joy. Blessings and Love to Wanda and the family.
Aleetra Williams*

Aleetra Williams - January 01, 2022 at 12:41 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of James Clifford Venable Jr..*



December 30, 2021 at 09:13 PM

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“ Deacon James Venable was without doubt, one of the most faithful deacons ever to serve in the history of the Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, 915-8th Ave., Huntington, WV! He and his wonderful family helped in the growth of one of the largest congregations in our church’s history!

We send our deepest condolences to Sister Wanda, Andrea and Jim! Please know that your Calvary church family is holding you up in prayer and stand ready to assist in anyway we can! Blessings and comfort are sent your way! Pastor, Franklin Murphy, Sr.

Franklin Murphy Sr - December 29, 2021 at 09:00 PM

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“ I have far too many memories of my experiences with Mr. Venable and his lovely family to just mention one. It is a pleasure and blessing to my life that God allowed our families to be joined together through membership at Calvary Baptist Church in Huntington, WV. I extend my condolences to The Venables (my extended family) and as I told my sisterfriend, Andrea Venable, our dad is surely carrying on in Heaven as he and his mom, Mrs. Carrie are reunited! What a day of rejoicing that was in Heaven.



Marsha Cecil - December 29, 2021 at 09:30 AM