



Jimmy James

June 10, 1947 - July 26, 2023

Jimmy Willie James was born June 10, 1947, to the parentage of the late Rufus and Annie Laura James in Eatonton, Georgia.

In 1965, Jimmy married his high school sweetheart, Ernestine Farrar James. They were blessed with two sons, Tony and Derrick James. The oldest son, Tony James, preceded him in death in August 2010.

Jimmy retired from Atlantic Steel after 30 years of service. Later, he took music lessons and became a musician, for which he began playing for several different churches over his lifetime. After retirement, he decided to start a new career working as a motor coach operator for American Coach Lines of Atlanta for 20 years. Due to declining health, he was forced to give the career he came to love.

Jimmy leaves to cherish his wife Ernestine Farrar James of 57 years of marriage. Also, his son Derrick James (Tandy), two stepbrothers, Jerry and Larry James, two grandsons, Markez and Chris James, and six step grandchildren. The remainder of his extended family are his brother and sister in laws, Roy and Bobbie Farrar, Johnny and Redena Hill, Oselius Farrar, Mary Adams, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Service entrusted to Gregory B. Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory-

South DeKalb 404.241.5656

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 4. 1:00 PM (ET)

Gregory B Levett & Sons Funeral Homes & Crematory
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Decatur, GA 30034
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Tribute Wall

SH

“ Sending my condolences to the James family. Jimmy was great person and helped many along the way. May God his family and friends during this very difficult time

Stephanie Hillard - August 04, 2023 at 11:45 AM

MG

“ Condolences and Prayers too Earnestine James and Family. We are here for you, just a call away. Jimmy and Moses worked at the Atlantic Steele together. And they was close close friends. He truly going to be missed.



Moses Gresham - August 03, 2023 at 07:19 PM

SH

“ Jimmy Willie was a super guy. He was a giving joyful soul who loved to laugh and have fun with his people. I will miss him, but I thank God for the memories. My condolences to his family and friends.



Saundra Hunter - August 02, 2023 at 08:13 PM

SH

“ Saundra Hunter lit a candle in memory of Jimmy James



Saundra Hunter - August 02, 2023 at 08:11 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Jimmy James.*



August 02, 2023 at 05:31 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jimmy James.

August 02, 2023 at 05:31 PM



“ *I am so thankful and blessed to have worked with JJ at American Coach Lines. He was one of our favorites and always kept us on our toes. He loved driving buses and it showed every day that he was with us. His smile was contagious and his customers loved him. Our entire Coach USA family sends our deepest condolences during this difficult time. Our continued thoughts and prayers are with you. Thank your for sharing JJ with us for so many wonderful years.*

*Todd McElmurray
VP & General Manager
Coach USA Atlanta*

Todd McElmurray - August 02, 2023 at 12:04 PM

BD

“ 🌹 Good night 🌙 Sir! 🌹



Betty D - August 02, 2023 at 10:12 AM

DB

“ *Jimmie Willie was a real gentleman with integrity, compassion and wisdom. He has touched, helped and supported many people and made their lives much better by being there for them. We will greatly miss him.*

Dorothy Burton - August 01, 2023 at 06:56 PM

BD

Rest Easy 🌹 Sir! My Condolences to his wife and family. 🌹 Jimmie Willie was a good Guy! What more can I say? 🌹

Betty D - August 02, 2023 at 10:03 AM

SS

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Sonja Smith - August 01, 2023 at 03:55 PM



“ *Joyce Russell lit a candle in memory of Jimmy James*



Joyce Russell - August 01, 2023 at 12:02 PM



Jimmy was such a beautiful guy. So willing to share of himself, transport us to conferences and be there for us! RIP Jimmie. Joyce & Lia

Joyce Russell - August 01, 2023 at 12:04 PM

GB

“ *Jimmy was full of life and a joy to be around. I really enjoyed the time we spent together working at American Coach Lines. Rest well my brother. My sincere condolences to the family.*

Grady Byrd

Grady Byrd - July 30, 2023 at 08:38 AM

EF

“ *We will always cherish the memories of Bro. Jimmy James. In loving memory of a life well lived. Bro. Earnest Tuggle & Family*



Earnest Tuggle & Family - July 28, 2023 at 03:01 PM

SS

“ My sincere Condolences to the family and to all that loved Jimmy “Bougie (my nickname) James.” He was a great man. If Jimmy could help you “he would”... if he could offer encouragement and wisdom “he did”

“There are only a few of his kind still around” He will truly be missed!... It’s going to be bittersweet for a minute “pulling up and not seeing that clean black truck at the spot... ALTHOUGH, I know he’s in a better place - it doesn’t make the loss easier....

🌹 JOB WELL DONE HERE ON EARTH 🌹

Your final charter #Farewell...#DG4LIFE

Sonja Smith & Family



Sonja Smith - July 27, 2023 at 10:19 PM

SM

“ We thank God for the opportunity to cross paths with your loved one. Jimmy was always willing to share words of inspiration, and help others in many ways. We pray for solace in your time of grief. Jimmy leaves a legacy of a life well lived.

Rashid & Sheree Moultrie

Sheree Moultrie - July 27, 2023 at 09:43 PM