

**Pall Bearers**  
**Family & Friends**

**Floral Bearers**  
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### *Acknowledgements*

We pray you have love for others As long as life may last. And the peace of God you're seeking Will surely come to past;  
The Family



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CELEBRATING THE LIFE  
OF  
*James*  
**ATLAS BURNETTE**

**SUNRISE**  
FEBRUARY 4, 1964

**SUNSET**  
OCTOBER 23, 2021



**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2021 | 11AM**  
SANDERS CHAPEL OF BW CHURCH

# ORDER OF SERVICE

*Officiating: Pastor Marvin T. Taylor*

Processional

Musical Selection

Old Testament.....Deacon Robert Batts

New Testament.....Elder Roy Campbell

Prayer of Comfort.....Pastor Reginald Carter

Solo.....Omaria Sellers, *Niece*

Tributes.....**2 Minutes Please**

*Oak Grove Church*

*Family*

*Friend*

Acknowledgements

Obituary.....**Read Silently**

Solo.....Omaria Sellers, *Niece*

Eulogy.....Min. Leon D. Burnette

Mortician's Brief

Committal



**Interment**

**Eastern Carolina Veterans State Cemetery  
164 Long Plant Farm Rd. Goldsboro NC**

# OBITUARY

James Atlas Burnette, son of the late Theodore Roosevelt and Lillie McCoy Burnette was born February 4, 1964 in Smithfield, North Carolina.

James was educated through the Johnston County School System and graduated from South Johnston High School in 1982. After completion of high school, James served in the United States Army from January 1984 to January 1987.

James principal source of employment was as a Customer Service Representative at ATT and CTI. His later years of employment was as a Paraprofessional in the CNA field at Wake Enterprise in Raleigh, North Carolina.

James was united in marriage to Valerie Oliver in the year 1992. James was a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church in Danville, Virginia where he served as Deacon, Sunday School Teacher, Male Chorus and other church ministries. After relocating to North Carolina in 2017, James became a watch care member at Sanders Chapel OFWB Church in Smithfield where he served as Deacon, Choir member and Sunday School Teacher when needed.

In addition to his parents, James was preceded in death by two sisters: Carrie and Linda Burnette and one brother Matthew Burnette.

James leaves to cherish his memories: wife Valerie Burnette, a son Christopher S. Burnette of Clayton, four brothers: Theodore Stewart (Linda) of Coats, NC, Leon Burnette (Joanne) of Erwin, NC, Leon Douglas Burnette (Jacqueline) of Garner, NC, Robert Batts (Priscilla) of Garner, NC; two sisters Jeannie Humphrey of Selma, NC and Cynthia Campbell (Roy) of Fuquay Varina, NC; four uncles, aunts, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.