

I wish we had more time to love you.  
I wish we had more time to laugh with you.  
I wish we had more time to talk to you.  
I wish we had more time to hug you.  
I wish we had more time to spend with you.  
I wish we had more time to cry with you.  
I wish we had more time to create more memories with you.  
I wish I had more time with you.  
There will never be enough time.

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### *Interment*

Arbutus Memorial Park  
1101 Sulphur Spring Road  
Arbutus, Maryland

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### *Pallobers*

Don Lowery  
Ricky Lowery  
Donald Seth Midget  
James Jefferson  
Albert Caroline  
Jo Laney

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### *Acknowledgment*

The family gratefully acknowledges the many kind and beautiful expressions of sympathy and love shown during our hour of bereavement.

## *Homegoing Service*

FOR



## *James Mackie Lowery*

January 27, 1952 - January 11, 2023

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2023

Wake: 9:30 a.m.      Funeral: 10:00 a.m.

JOSEPH H. BROWN JR. FUNERAL HOME  
2140 N. Fulton Avenue  
Baltimore, Maryland

# *Order of Service*

## OPENING SELECTION

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## SCRIPTURE

Old Testament – Jeremiah 1:5

New Testament – 1 Thessalonians 4:16

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## POEM

Read by the Family

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## REMARKS

Seth, Sharice, Terry, and Vernell

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## FAMILY ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

NA Prayer read by Rick

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## READING OF OBITUARY

Wendy Friend

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## EULOGY

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## SELECTION

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## BENEDICTION

**JAMES MACKIE LOWERY** was born on January 27, 1952 in Jefferson, South Carolina to Margret Lowery (nee Miller) and the late Jasper Lowery. Affectionately known as “Jimmy”, he departed this life on January 11, 2023 after a lengthy illness.

Jimmy was educated in Baltimore City Public Schools, and it was there that he met the love of his life, Dianne. Within their union, they raised three children: Albert, James G., and Tyra. Jimmy embraced fatherhood naturally and was a doting Father, as well as a mentor to his children who often depended on his wisdom to guide them through life. He enjoyed watching football with his sons and going to the movies as a family. A natural adventurer, he enjoyed traveling and going to amusement parks. As a grandfather, Jimmy devoted his time to his grandchildren, whom he loved immensely. He supported his grandchildren by attending sports activities, concerts and in any way possible.

Jimmy was a diligent worker and supported his family by working as a full-time cook. Another career opportunity presented itself and Jimmy worked in transitional housing, assisting those who were reintegrating into society. In this new role, he made impactful connections with people in the community. After retiring, Jimmy dedicated his time to his family, friends, and helping the community by encouraging positivity to everyone he encountered.

During his young adult years, Jimmy struggled with substance abuse. Deciding to enter Narcotics Anonymous (NA) was one of his greatest accomplishments in life for which his family and friends are most proud of. Having celebrated over 30 years of sobriety with his NA family, Jimmy was an amazing mentor and sponsor to those who sought help in getting clean. Often, you’d walk into the living room, to see Jimmy mentor those who struggled with substance abuse. Every July, Jimmy’s family and NA family would gather to celebrate a new year of sobriety and for the man who normally had very few words, you’d get an opportunity to experience Jimmy’s dedication to his role in NA and as a Mentor. When faced with the Covid-19 pandemic, that did not stop Jimmy as he held his regular meetings via Zoom.

Jimmy faced battles with his health over the years; however, his courageous and determined spirit allowed him to overcome those battles. His fighting spirit (and stubbornness) often left those in awe in just how willing he was to put on a brave face and fight!

In his spare time, he provided transportation services to people in the community. Jimmy also enjoyed cooking, listening to music, and watching football. Words cannot express what he meant to his family and friends and the emptiness they feel without his physical presence.

Left to cherish his life and amazing accomplishments are: his wife, Dianne of Baltimore, MD; sons, James (Alexis), Albert (Tyisha) and daughter, Tyra of Baltimore, MD; grandchildren, Laila and Dylan Lowery, Taylor Coles, Gavan Calhoun, Dre’Maïne and Secret Caroline of Baltimore, MD. Mother, Margaret Lowery of Charlotte, NC; sisters, Betty Owens and Actquenetta Lowery of Charlotte, NC; brothers, Don (Cale) Lowery of Baltimore, MD, and Ricky (Ihez) of Charlotte, NC; one uncle, Willie Lowery, of MD; nieces, Jackie Reyes, Lakeysa and Naischia Claxton of Baltimore, MD and Kendra Johnson of Charlotte, NC; brothers-in-law, James and Steven Jefferson of Baltimore, MD, and a host of family and friends. This includes his NA mentor and sponsor Rick, and very dear friends Donald Midget, Jo Laney and Vernell Briggs of Baltimore, MD.

The family is comforted knowing that his legacy and accomplishments will live on in the hearts of all that he knew in life. And will continue to live by his motto: “I love you and I believe in you!”. We will always love you, but God loved you best and we are comforted knowing you will always be with us at a different address.