

James
LEON TOLAND
"JIMMY"

DECEMBER 10, 1935 - AUGUST 4, 2021





James Leon (Jimmy) Toland, 85,
of Coatesville, PA passed away
Wednesday, August 4, 2021,
at his residence.



James was born in Chattanooga, TN on December 10, 1935, a son of the late Vivian (White) Arnold and stepfather Andrew (Cooly) Arnold and father James Hawkins Toland.

He was the husband of Brenda V. Culclasure Toland with whom he shared 50 years of Life & Love.

Jimmy served as an Airman in the United States Air Force for four years until he was honorably discharged.

In 1959, James became a member of the Doo Wop group Little Tommy and the Elgins. The group was formed after performing on the streets of Coatesville. The band performed gigs at colleges, fire halls, VFWs, and American Legion halls. Their big break came in 1962 when they performed at the Steel Pier in Atlantic City, which was also televised on the Grady and Hurst's Summertime at the Steel Pier TV show. Two of the band's biggest songs were "I Walk On", and "Never Love Again".



After pursuing a music career James went on to work for the Coatesville VA Hospital and the Embreeville State Hospital.

He was a member of Hutchinson Memorial UAME Church Coatesville, PA, where he received the Fisherman's Award by Rev. Jeffrey Miller for consistently inviting people to the church.

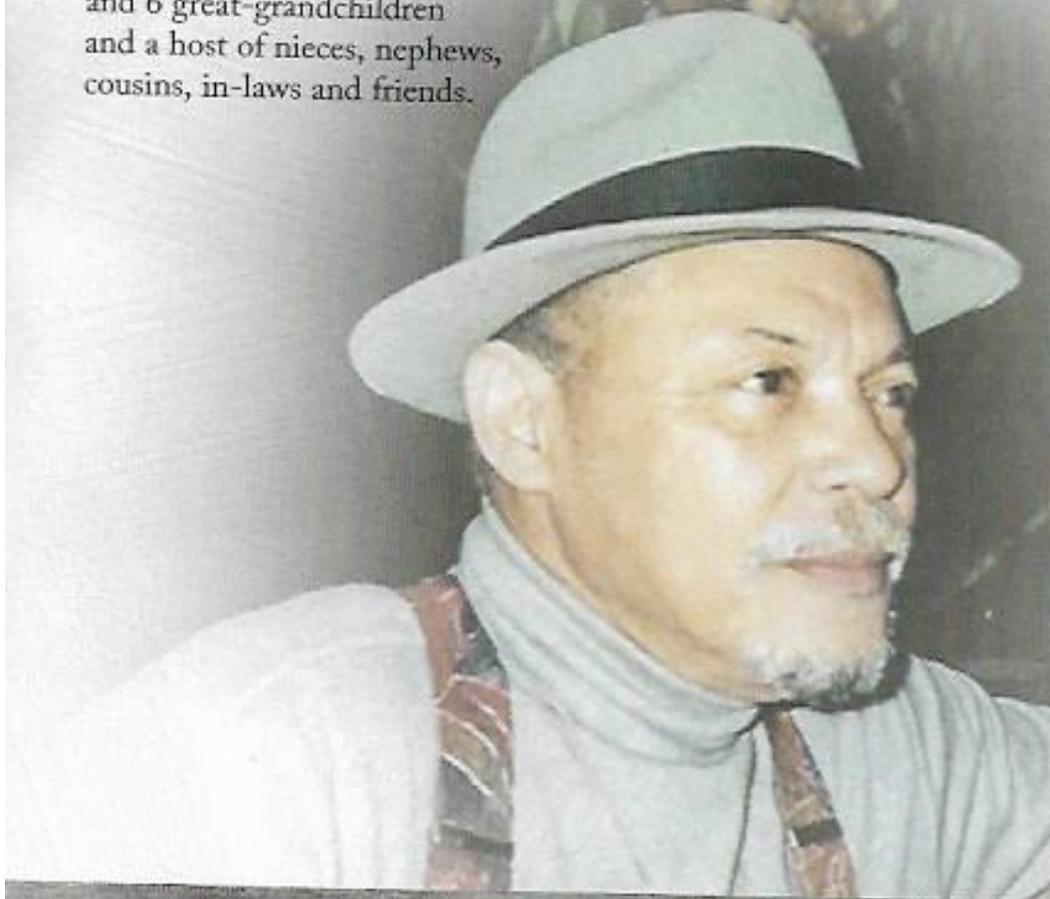
He enjoyed collecting and refurbishing antique vehicles where he would showcase them in the Coatesville Christmas Parade and high school proms.

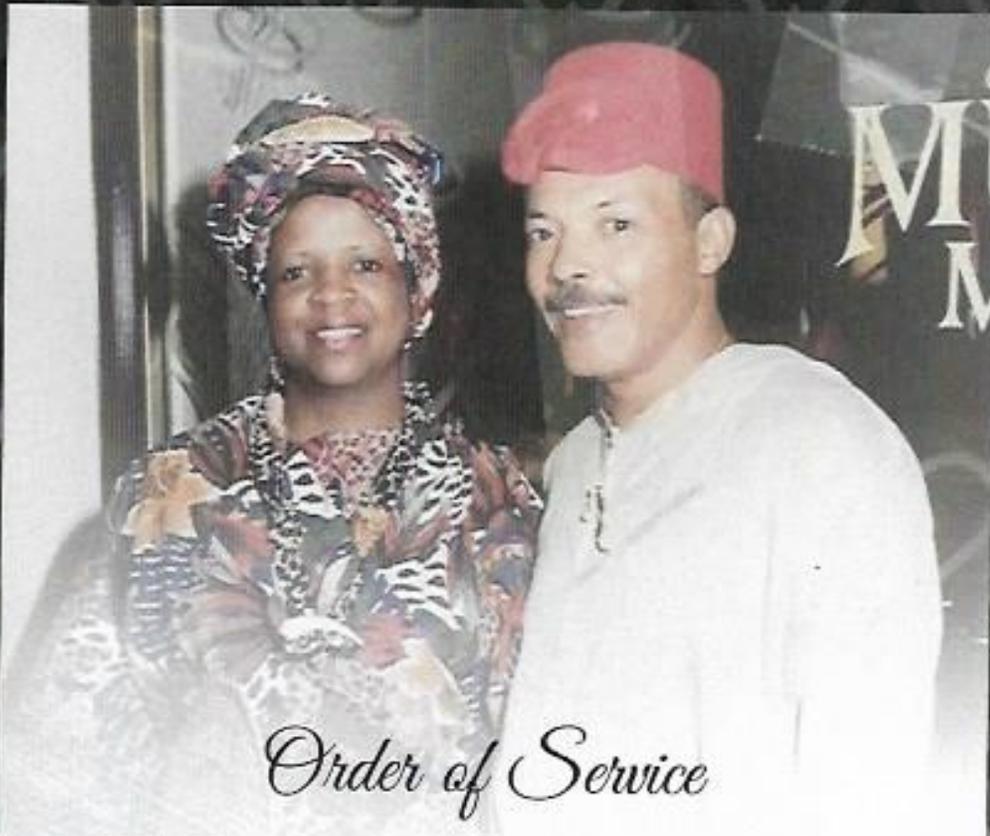
He was known for his Toland's Friends and Family Labor of Love cookout. Most of all James loved spending time with his grandchildren who affectionately called him "Pop Pop".

Jimmy leaves dear memories to his wife, beloved Brenda; seven children: Sabrina White (Mark) of Panama City, Florida, Karen Toland of San Francisco,



California, Dawn Toland-Logan (Gaylan) also of San Francisco, California, Carmen Tinson (Gregory) of Wilkes Barre, PA, Fontel Toland (Sherri) of Coatesville, Sherri Toland Robertson (Andre) of Durham, NC, and James Toland of Coatesville; one sister, June Shorts of Philadelphia; 18 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws and friends.





Order of Service

- Music Prelude
- Processional *Clergy and Family*
- Final Viewing
- Officiating Clergy *Elder Rachel McDougald*
- Opening Song *When We All Get to Heaven*
- Scripture Reading
- Old Testament* *Psalm 23*
- New Testament* *John 14:1-6*
- Prayer of Comfort
- Musical Selection *Choir*
- Reading of Cards, Resolutions and the Obituary
- Family Reflections
- Words of Comfort (*2 minutes*) *Clergy*
- Musical Selection
- Eulogy *Pastor Jeffrey A. Miller, Sr.*
- Recessional Directives .. *Ventnor T. Wright, Funeral Director*
- Recessional *Clergy and Family*

Homegoing Services

*Wednesday, August 11, 2021
Viewing 9:00 AM • Service 11:00 AM*

Service Location

*HUTCHINSON MEMORIAL U.A.M.E. CHURCH
825 East Chestnut Street
Coatesville, Pennsylvania 19320
Rev. Jeffrey A. Miller, Sr., Pastor*

Interment

*with Military Honors
Philadelphia Memorial Park
124 Phoenixville Pike
Frazer, Pennsylvania 19355*

Pallbearers

*Mark White, Jr.
Damar Johnson
Gage Culclasure*

*Tibir Woods
Fontel Toland*

*Bashir Woods
Jontel Toland
Malik Johnson*

Flower Bearers

Nieces and Grandchildren

A Note of Thanks

*It is with sincere gratitude we say thank you for your care and concern shown during our time of bereavement. May God bless you.
Sincerely, The Family*



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