

The Best

God saw you getting tired
and a cure was not to be.
So, He put His arms around you
and whispered, "Come to ME."
With tearful eyes we watched you
and saw you pass away.
Although we loved you dearly,
we could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating.
Hard working hands at rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us
He only takes the best.
Your Family

Pallbearers
Rashad | Clint | Stank | Wayne
Roy | Alex | Demetrius | Paul

Flower Bearers
Friends of the Family

Honorary Pallbearers
Lil Jimmy | Darnell | DeOndra | Troshad
Jibron | Amaree

Interment
Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens
4444 West Grand River Avenue
Lansing, Michigan 48906

Acknowledgement

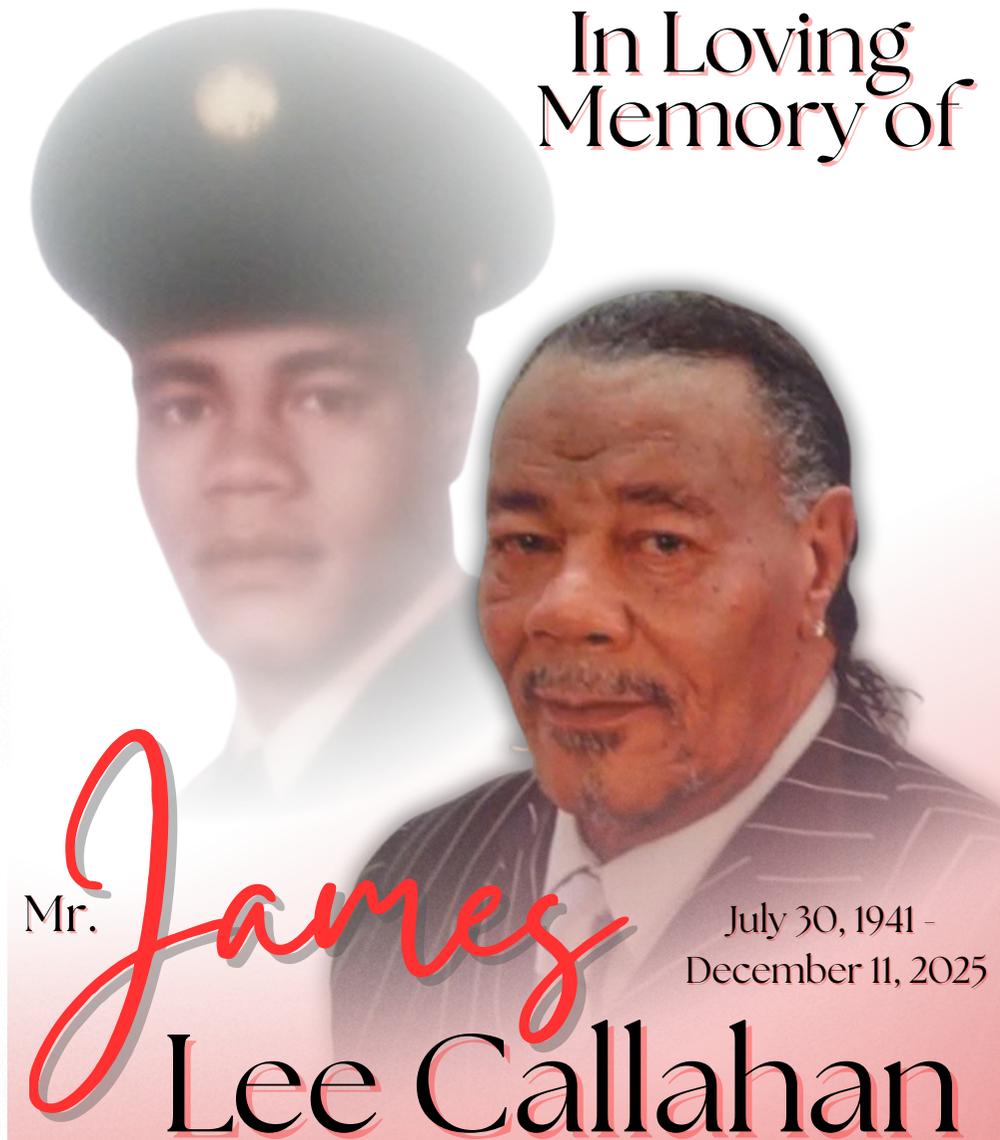
The family wishes to express their sincere gratitude to all of you for your prayers, presence, love, telephone calls and all other expressions of concern that you have shown during our time of bereavement. Never more than now was your kindness needed and more appreciated. Special thanks to Johnnie, we all thank you for being a part of our lives. You took very good care of Daddy. We love you always!
The Family of
Mr. James Lee Callahan



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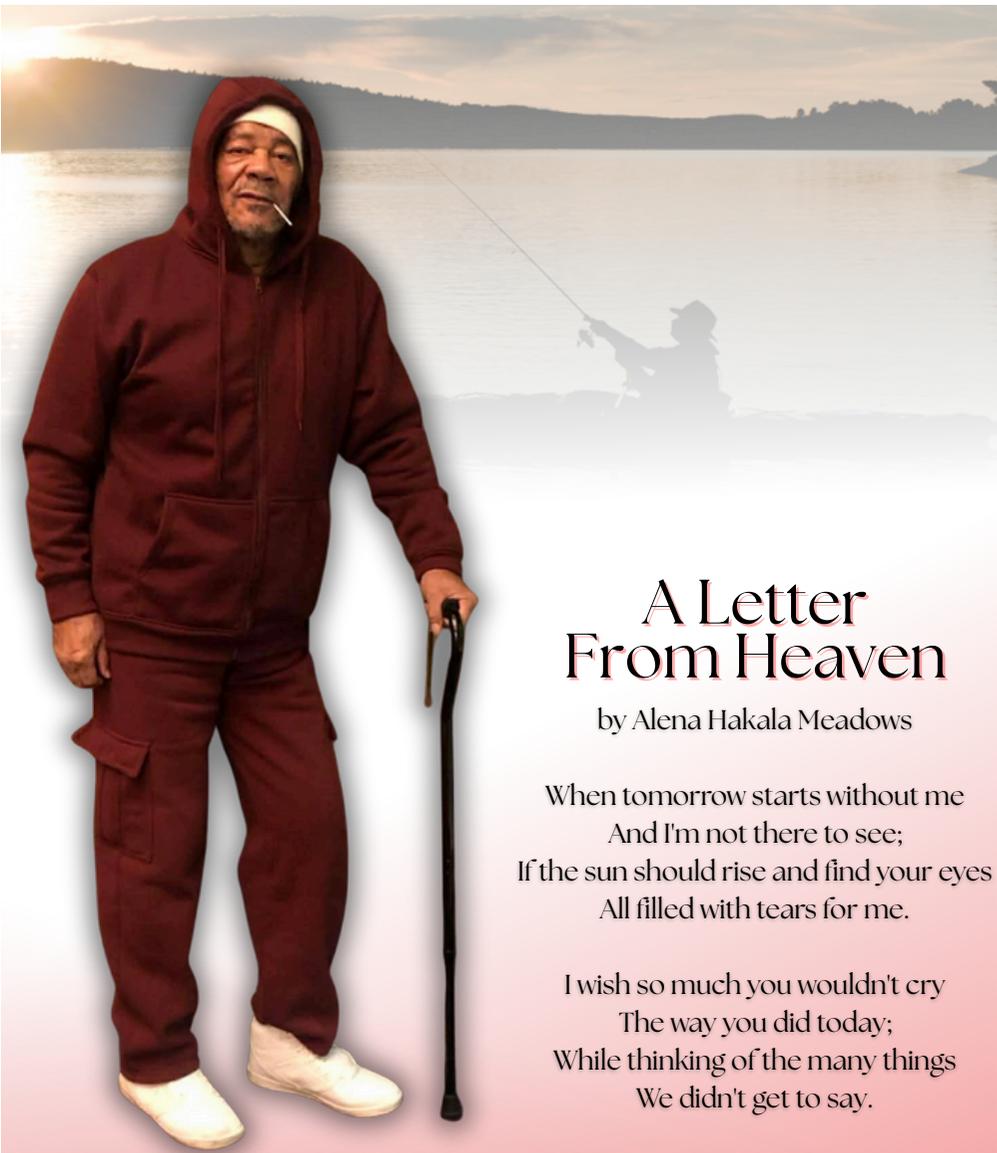
James
Lee Callahan

July 30, 1941 -
December 11, 2025

Celebration of Life
Monday, December 29, 2025 -11:00 a.m.

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Minister Randy Jackson, Officiant



A Letter From Heaven

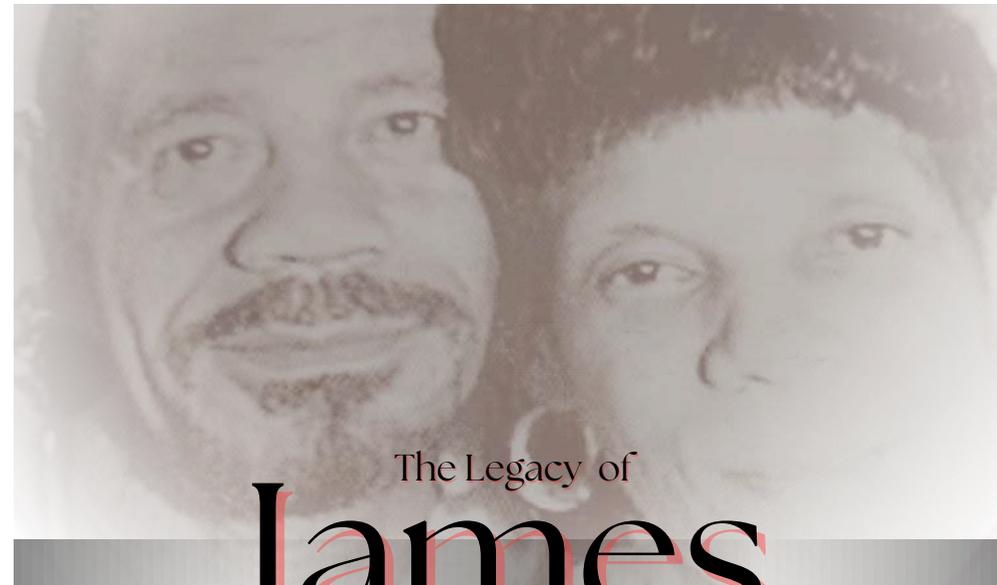
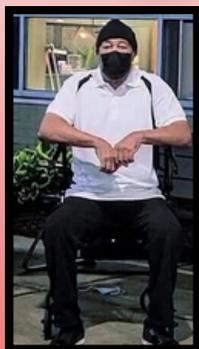
by Alena Hakala Meadows

When tomorrow starts without me
And I'm not there to see;
If the sun should rise and find your eyes
All filled with tears for me.

I wish so much you wouldn't cry
The way you did today;
While thinking of the many things
We didn't get to say.

I know how much you love me
As much as I love you;
And each time that you think of me,
I know you'll miss me too.

When tomorrow starts without me,
Don't think we're far apart
For every time you think of me,
I'm right here in your heart.



The Legacy of

James

James Lee Callahan was called home to be with "Paw-Paw" and "Granny" on Thursday, December 11, 2025. Age 84 years. He was born Wednesday, July 30, 1941, in East Pointe, Georgia to Melvin and Willie Mae Callahan. He was an only child with a large family.

He was introduced to Christ at an early age. The family later moved to Lansing, Michigan where he attended Eastern High School and graduated. James served in the United States Army from 1963-1965 as a Paratrooper and Marksman. James and his wife, Johnnie, were married on June 4, 1979. She was his heartbeat, his favorite girl. He was a truck driver and enjoyed traveling with his wife, Johnnie, where they both were employed at Oasis Catering for several years. He loved to barbecue and spend time with his family. He also enjoyed sports, fishing and going to the casino.

James leaves to celebrate his life, his wife, Johnnie; daughters and sons, Lisa, Darnell, Glenda, Sue, Myra, Chantile, Clint, Keshia, Mekie, Demetrius Stank; Sharie, Alex, Rashad Tara, Lil Jimmy, Sharonda, Sharay and Shamarrrie; grandchildren, Nikita, DeOndra', Camille, Carmen, Paul, Brittney, Brandy, Jade, Troshad, Christian, Keevan, Makil, Kelap, Janessa, Jibron, Wayne, Shannel, Armaree, D'Metriyana, D'Metriyan, Jalen, EJ, Tyrese, Andre, Shyona, Sandquita, Caprice, Alexis, Alana, Sha'Nyah, and La'Nayjah; 40 great-grandchildren; 3 great-great-grandsons; special sister, Brenda Lathon; many cousins including special cousins, Fannie, May, Tommy and Ethel; many other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Cassandra; son, Chet; granddaughters, Paradise, Kiara, and Ja'Nayjah; great-grandsons Kylete, and Elijah, London; and cousin, Dorothy.

Order of Service

Prelude

Family Processional

Prayer
Minister Randy Jackson

Scripture Reading
Minister Randy Jackson

Musical Selection
"Take Me To The King"
by Tamala Mann

Reading of the Obituary
Minister Randy Jackson

Family Expressions
Keshia and Stankk
Carmen and Sandquita

Video Tribute

Eulogy
Minister Randy Jackson

Committal
Benediction
Recessional

