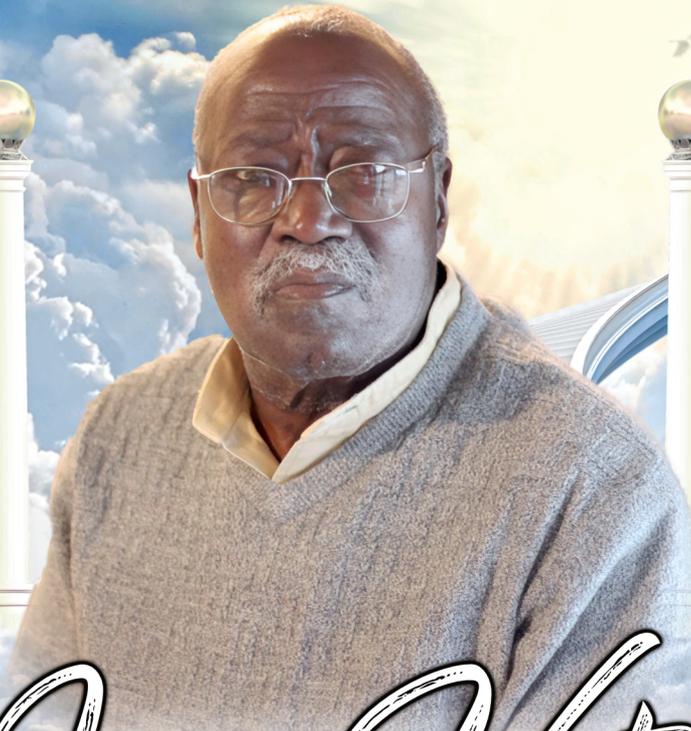


“JIMMY”



James Watson

JUNE 26, 1936 - AUG 21, 2025

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28, 2025

WAKE: 12:30 PM - FUNERAL: 1:00 PM

WATSON'S FUNERAL HOME

10913 SUPERIOR AVE - CLEVELAND, OH 44106

Order of Service

MUSICAL PRELUDE.....
PROCESSIONAL..... THE FAMILY
FAMILY VISITATION..... 12:30 PM-1:00 PM
SCRIPTURE READING..... PASTOR MICHEAL FLETCHER
 OLD TESTAMENT..... PSALM 23
 NEW TESTAMENT..... JOHN 14:1-4
MUSICAL SELECTION..... AMAZING GRACE
REFLECTIONS & REMARKS..... (2 MINS)
OBITUARY..... PLEASE READ SILENTLY
MUSICAL SELECTION..... HIS EYES ON THE SPARROW
EULOGY..... PASTOR MICHEAL FLETCHER
RECESSIONAL.....

INTERMENT

PRIVATE

REPAST

VIC'S EVENT CENTER

1512 SOUTH GREEN RD. SOUTH EUCLID, OH 44121

3PM-7PM



Obituary

James "Jimmy" Watson was born June 26, 1936, in Bellamy, Alabama. To the late Maggie Pearl Watson Hall Bishop and James Drake. He was educated at Bellamy School in Alabama, he also accepted Christ at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church in Bellamy.

In his younger years, James worked for Chevy in Detroit, Michigan in the early 1960's. Later, he would move to Cleveland, Ohio and found love in retail business. First working at Morlin's, then opened his own store called "Watsons Discounts", that he ran for 10 years. Once in Cleveland, James made it a point to have his family move to Cleveland for work and to have everyone around. James was an all-around family man and hardworking man, always made sure everyone was taken care of. Later in 1999 he would start working at Marc's where he retired in 2020.

James lived a life rich in love, laughter, faith, and service. To know him was to be inspired, he wore many hats, lived many lives, and touched countless hearts. Whether he was working all day long or simply lending a hand to anyone in need, James gave himself fully and left joy wherever he went. You could always find him watching his old western shows, baseball or football. Always enjoying something sweet after a good meal.

James believed in family, community, and in helping people rise. He had the gift of making everyone feel like they belonged, and his presence lit up every room. His journey here on earth was not about goodbyes, but about leaving behind lessons, stories, and love that will live on for generations.

James was preceded in death by four sisters, Jane Chaney, Rose Lee Hall, Katie Mae Hall, and Freddie Hall; six brothers, his twin John Hall, Jesse James Hall, Frank James Hall, Levi Hall, Lorain Hall, and Leroy Hall; one grandson, Sherwan Wanzo.

James leaves to be cherished by his lifelong companion, Mary Joyce Dixon; three sons; James Dixon (Beverly), William Dixon, and Richard Dixon; two daughters, Tanzie Halsell (Imari Warfield), and Tara Price; eight grandchildren, Jasmine, Taylor, Tiffany, Rayshawn, Jazmyne, Sharmaine, Jada, Cache, and Madison; four great-grandchildren, India, Anthony, Ryan, and Jaxson, siblings, Benjamin (Ruby) Watson, Eddie Hall, Frankie Hall, Glennis Bishop, Innis Bishop, Willie Lee Bishop, Margaret (Daniel) Gulley, Yvonne Bishop and Shantesha Bishop; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

*Lovingly Submitted,
The Family*



Reflections

Papa Jimmy's only concern for parties was if there pop & water. He didn't care if there was food or anything. – JAZZY, MEME & POOH

Jimmy's feelings toward hard work influenced every aspect of me and inspired me to be better. – TANZIE HALSELL

Papa Jimmy was always hard on us about knowing what you want in life and work hard for it. – LOVE SHARMAINE, CACHE AND MADISON

I remember when papa would come over to grandma's house every day after work and make me count money! I HATED it so much, but then I also liked it cause if I got it right, I got to keep it. He had a soft spot, because if I asked for it he made sure to get it. You could always find a cold Pepsi in the fridge and a sweet treat close by. His go to drink was Jack Daniels and Pepsi, or a little sangria and Pepsi. – JASMINE D.

"Taylor, I'm your papa. I'm always going to be your papa." – Taylor D.

I want to thank God for giving us jimmy for so many good years and blessing me with my son. – LOVE JOYCE ALWAYS

Grandpa Jimmy, I can go back as far as being a toddler, going to work with you and grandma downtown on 4th street. I can see you sliding the black gate back and opening the doors to the store. I can still see GG following behind you. Thank you for being who we needed, and there for when we needed you. We will always carry you in our hearts. – LOVE YOU FOREVER, TIFFANY D. & INDIA W.

Always motivated me to work hard. – ANTHONY D.

Jimmy taught me the value of hard work and nothing in life ever will ever be given to me, I had earn it and work hard for it. – TARA P.

I MADE IT HOME

*I just wanted to let you know that I made it home.
Everything is so pretty here, So white, so fresh, so new.
I wish that you could close your eyes
So, you could see it too. Please try not to be sad for me
Try to understand. God is taking care of me...
I'm in the shelter of his hands. Here there is no sadness,
And no sorrow, and no pain. Here there is no crying,
And I'll never hurt again. Here it is so peaceful.
When all the angels sing. I really have to go for now..
I've just got to try my wings.*

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Family sincerely appreciates all acts of kindness shown during this time of bereavement. We thank you for your prayers, comforting words, personal visits and calls. We ask that you continue to keep us in your prayers. May God Bless and forever comfort you.

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