



James W. Barksdale

May 22, 1948 - May 25, 2022

1948 ~ HUSBAND, FATHER, GRANDFATHER, BROTHER, UNCLE & FRIEND ~ 2022

James William Barksdale was born on May 22, 1948, to the late Jim and Mary Barksdale in Pittsylvania County, Virginia. James peacefully departed this life on May 25, 2022; surrounded by his wife Shirley, and family. James was educated in Halifax, Virginia. He was employed and member of the Local Union #413 for over 30 years until retiring in 2005.

James accepted Christ at an early age at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Virginia. He rededicated his life to Christ, and was an active member of The Great Mt. Olive Baptist Church: under the leadership of Bishop Hackett, Sr. As a young adult he was employed as a Forest Fire Ranger in Montana and Canada. He also was a heavy equipment operator in Seattle, Washington. He relocated to Chester, Pa in 1974. James married the love of his life and best friend Shirley on September 21, 2002.

James became a member of John A. Watts Lodge #224, Chester, PA on March 1978. He held many offices as Esquire for several years, Chairman of the House Committee. James was also a member of the Beauty & Talent, Exalted Ruler. He joined the Antlered Guard Marching in 1986 and held the position of the Commander of the unit.

Those left to cherish precious memories are his wife Shirley, two sons Jason and John (Rachel), one daughter Freda (James); two granddaughters Dionna and Jacine; one sister-in-law Lisa, six brothers Richard, Marvin (Dawn), Larry, Garry; Thomas and Robert both who proceeded him in death; five sisters Sarah, Helen, Margie, Patricia, and Lizzie; a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 4. 8:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Luke Community Christian Church
317 Central Avenue
Chester, PA 19013
(610) 876-5197

ELKS Service

JUN 4. 9:00 AM (ET)

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Service

JUN 4. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *James W. Barksdale*

October 07, 2023 at 11:34 AM



“ *James W. Barksdale*

October 04, 2023 at 12:55 PM



“ *James was like an uncle to me and I am truly sorry to hear about his passing. On behalf of the Floyd family, please accept our sincerest condolences.*

*Blessings,
Celeste Floyd-Frazier*

Celeste Floyd-Frazier - June 28, 2022 at 06:19 AM



“ *Aunti Shirley, we the family of his late sister Mary Elizabeth Barksdale-Hunter send our love and support. Uncle James May you rest in the arms of our Heavenly Father. We love you and give Grandma Mary time our love* 🍷

🍷🍷🍷 *William, Lana, William IV, & Chandra & our children*



MarLana Williams - June 04, 2022 at 10:00 AM

CC

“ Co-worker @ Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp. purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of James W. Barksdale.



Co-worker @ Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp. - June 01, 2022 at 11:32 AM

DM

“ Love you Uncle James



Diana Miller-Webb - June 01, 2022 at 11:16 AM

BL

“ Lit a candle in memory of James W. Barksdale



Bro. Robert Laws - May 31, 2022 at 09:27 PM

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“ *There are so many wonderful memories. James and Shirley have been wonderful relatives and great friends. James will be missed. His personality was one that most people will not soon forget. We hope God will comfort the family. RIP James.*

*Richard and Nancy Shivers
Clinton, MD*



Nancy L Shivers - May 31, 2022 at 03:36 PM