



William Douglas James

August 26, 1938 - January 15, 2015

William Douglas James was born in Columbia, South Carolina on August 26, 1938. William was the second of four children born to the late Ruth Marshall James and Willie James. At an early age he attended Zion Baptist Church where he participated in the Cub Scouts and served as a junior usher. He was educated in the Richland County School District, and graduated from C.A. Johnson High School in the class of 1955.

He Joined the US Air Force after high school and honorably served his country from September 1955 to September 1959. As an airman, he was trained in St. Louis, Missouri and served at March Air Force Base in California as a photogrammetrist, working on classified assignments. For these assignments, he had top security clearance.

Following military service, William was hospitalized with an extended illness until his death. He is survived by his siblings, Delores J. Richardson, Marshall E. (Gloria S.) James and Ruth L. James, all of Columbia, South Carolina; nieces and nephews D'Jaris M. Richardson of Cleveland, Ohio, Odis B Richardson, Jr. of Charlotte, North Carolina, Marshall S. James of Washington DC, Michael F. James (Keisha S.) of Manhattan New York, Beth J. (Michael) Davis of Atlanta Georgia, William B. Whitney III and James D.(Tiffany) G. Whitney of Greenville, South Carolina, as well as a host of other grand nieces, grand nephews, cousins and other loving relatives and friends.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JAN **24**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Palmer Memorial Chapel - Columbia
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Tribute Wall



“ *William Douglas James*

October 04, 2023 at 11:33 AM



“ *William "Bill" Whitney,*

We extend our sincere condolences to you and your family during your time of bereavement.

*Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
Matthew 5:4*

*Benedict College
School of Continuing Education*

J. Wright - January 24, 2015 at 09:34 AM



“ *He was a very good person to know. I was blessed be in his presence. "god has spoke"*

DONALD JENNINGS - January 23, 2015 at 02:25 AM