



## Mr. John Isaac Williams

November 12, 1946 - December 27, 2015

November 12, 1946 was a day that was destined for greatness for the Williams Family. You see, that day God blessed James L. and Anna R. Williams with a handsome bundle of joy named John Isaac Williams. From a child, John was active and innovative. For example, if he just happened to be away from home and got hungry he would devise ways to earn the money for food or he would just work for food. But no matter what, John would no longer be hungry.

John graduated from D.F. Walker High School, and started working. But life had a surprise for John. Uncle Sam said, "we need you", and so off he went entering his next phase of life as a soldier in the United States Army. John was sent to serve in Vietnam and there he became a decorated soldier, earning medals of distinction, such as, the Bronze Star Medal, Air Medal and the Army Commendation Medal with "V" Device to name a few.

Not too long after his tour of duty, John was talking to a friend and this friend said that his wife knew a nice young lady, and the couple thought that they should meet. This meeting was more than just a meeting. It turned out to be a blind date. Little did he know that he would end up marrying the beautiful, Josetta D. Godette only three months later. Eleven months later, John Jr. was born and a few years later, the Williams family was enlarged one more time with the addition of Joy D.

Again, John was an innovator and problem solver. Once, there was a part that he needed to fix a machine. He called the manufacturer and they said that it would be days before the part reached him. Now, for this particular machine, that was a less than ideal situation because it would cost the

company thousands of dollars a day in downtime. So, what does John do? He calls the manufacturer with ticket information because he just bought the part an actual seat on an airplane. Can you say innovator?

John was also known for his sense of humor. His jokes would either be so corny that you would laugh or they would be so good that you would laugh. Either way, you would laugh. As he got older, he started infusing the jokes with elements of life wisdom.

Above everything, John loved God. John had always known who God was, but through the years he fortified a relationship with Him, which altered his outlook and perspective of life. John enjoyed life like never before, and encouraged others to do so as well.

Fond memories are left to his children, John I. Williams, Jr (Sherri T.) of Orangeburg, SC, and Joy D. Williams of Greenville, NC; three granddaughters, Christina Williams, Savannah Williams, and Olivia Williams of Orangeburg, SC; brother, James L. Williams, Jr (Sarah) of Virginia Beach, VA; sister, JoAnna Lawrence of Edenton, NC; brother-in-Law, Joseph L. Godette, Jr, of Greensboro, NC; nephews, James L. Williams, III (Jackie), Allen Lawrence, Jr, Craig Lawrence (Tina), Joseph L. "Trey" Godette III; Nieces, Jan Smith (Julius), Sharifa Johnson (Carlos); god-daughter, L. Nicole "Nikki" Miller; numerous aunts, uncles, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins and friends are left to continue his legacy.

# Cemetery

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## Homestead Memorial Gardens

4251 E. 10th Street  
Greenville, NC, 27858

# Events

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**DEC** **Viewing** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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Koinonia Christian Center Church  
1405 Greenville Blvd SW, Greenville, NC, US,  
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**DEC** **Service** 11:00AM

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# Comments

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“ Congleton Funeral Home And Staff sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. John Isaac Williams



**Congleton Funeral Home and Staff** - January 05, 2016 at 12:48 PM

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“ So Sorry to here about John what a kind Man and good Boss .

**Tommy Clark** - December 31, 2015 at 10:05 AM

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“ With sadness, I send my Condolences to James & Sarah Williams and the entire Williams Family on the loss of your love one. Keeping The Family In Prayer  
Bettye J Scudder

**Bettye Scudder** - December 31, 2015 at 06:50 AM

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“ My deepest sympathy to the family.



**James [Boot] Yarrell** - December 31, 2015 at 06:40 AM

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“ John Williams was a very special person to me. We worked together at Burroughs Wellcome for 20 some years. I will miss the phone calls he always made to me on every holiday, birthday etc. He will be missed by me and my wife. Condolences to his children and extended family members. Carl and Betty Manning

**Betty Manning** - December 30, 2015 at 06:37 PM



“ Beta Phi Fall 2001 purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mr. John Isaac Williams.



**Beta Phi Fall 2001** - December 30, 2015 at 10:08 AM

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“ To Joy ,John Jr , and Williams family. My prayers are with you today and hereafter. Thank you for allowing my family to be adopted into your family. Pops will be missed and we are here for you now and always. Our deepest Condolences  
Love K Michele, Karen, Tyler and Jessica



**K Michele Suggs** - December 30, 2015 at 09:50 AM

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“ We are so sorry to hear of the passing of John Williams. We worked together at Burroughs Wellcome. He was such a great person, full of joy. We will all miss a great man. Bishop Marion and Sister Edith Barnes. My God bless the family.

**Bishop Marion Barnes** - December 28, 2015 at 11:23 PM