



## Mr. James Ray Taylor

November 19, 1947 - November 14, 2020

James Ray Taylor “Nookie” was born on November 19, 1947 to the late James and Odessa Taylor in Pitt County. He departed this life on Saturday, November 14, 2020 at Vidant Medical Center.

James graduated in 1965 from Bethel Union HS, Bethel, NC. During his time in high school, James was a jokester, barber and loves cooking for his family and friends. He also enjoyed gardening and most of all he loved his car “Big Red”. After graduation, he spent time in Newark, NJ. Upon returning to Greenville, NC, James worked for the City of Greenville at time of his death he was working with TES Logistics.

James was preceded in death by his son, James Ray Taylor “Lump”; his parents, James & Odessa Taylor; his sister, Bettie Mae Crandol.

James leaves to cherish his memories, his children, Tony Anthony Taylor (Shonda), James Ray Ward, Keontae Deshon Ward all of Greenville, NC; his siblings, Peggy Taylor Williams of Maryland, Donald Taylor, William Taylor both of Greenville, NC, Sandra Taylor Carr (Frankie) of Maryland; five grandchildren, Brandon Cox, Christopher Adams, Ashton Taylor, Adam Taylor, Jasmine Ward; two great-grandchildren; one niece; a host of nephews, other relatives and friends.



# Cemetery Details

## Homestead Memorial Gardens

4251 E. 10th Street  
Greenville, NC 27858

# Previous Events

## Viewing

NOV 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Calvary Free Will Baptist Church  
411 Watauga Avenue  
Greenville, NC 27834

## Celebration of Life Service

NOV 21. 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Calvary Free Will Baptist Church  
411 Watauga Avenue  
Greenville, NC 27834

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. James Ray Taylor*

October 06, 2023 at 05:52 AM



“ *I know you and your sister sitting in heaven looking at your family and praying for their strength. You will be missed James Taylor*

**William Jones** - November 22, 2020 at 09:25 PM



“ *Condolences to the family from James and Dianne Worsley Wilson.*



**Dianne Wilson** - November 22, 2020 at 07:56 AM



“ *I would like to extend my deepest sympathy & prayers to Ms. Ann & and the entire Taylor Family & close friends. My heart is sadden of the passing of Mr. James Taylor, (JT). I would just like to encourage the family and say that I know Mr. JT will be truly loved and will be truly missed. I want you to say the Family May the Lord give you strength to be strong the Lord and lean on the Lord he is your rock and will be there for you in the coming days, months, years ahead. Rest confidently & easy Family, and know that (Mr. JT) is Resting in Heaven now and is with the Lord, Trust & believe that, the Apostle Paul wrote it in 2Corinthians 5:8 that to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord!*

*Bridgette Cratch- daughter of James Cratch*

**Bridgette Cratch** - November 21, 2020 at 02:12 PM

LS

“ We are so sorry to hear of the loss of your love one. May God give the strength to go through. Louise Sibly and family



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**Louise Sibly** - November 21, 2020 at 12:16 PM



“ REST ON PEACE, COUSIN

*Thelma Roberson Harper*



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**Thelma Harper** - November 20, 2020 at 11:14 PM

DC

“ I want to take this time to reach out to the Taylor Family Members to give my condolences for the passing of your Father and brother, to grace you with God's Holy Blessings that will take you through this hard time. Its not an easy thing to do when you know someone that you basically grew up with as well as attended school together, has clamed the resurrection. There is one thing for sure, earth has no sorrows that Heaven cannot heal and strengthen the left behind ones.

*Be blessed in the spirits of the Almighty Father God! Sorrow may only endure for a night but, by the blessings of the Holy Father God, joy will surely appear in the morning. Hallelujah!*

*David Clemons - Triangle, VA.*

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**David Clemons** - November 20, 2020 at 05:44 PM

UF

“ *May the Lord carry you through Family. We share in your deep loss too.*  
*Uncle Mack & Aunt Doll Baby Family*



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**Uncle Mack Roberson Family** - November 20, 2020 at 02:28 PM

RN

“ *Reather Nobles lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Ray Taylor*



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**Reather Nobles** - November 20, 2020 at 01:22 PM

SM

“ *I'm really going to miss you cousin sorry for your loss Ann and family I love you'll.*

*Towanda from Baltimore*

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**stephany Murrill** - November 19, 2020 at 07:44 PM

JF

“ *Jo And The Brown Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Ray Taylor*



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**Jo and the Brown Family** - November 18, 2020 at 07:25 PM

RO

“ *Sandra, my lover, prayers, and hugs go out to you and your family during this difficult time. May your brother's memory be eternal.*

*Love and God Bless,  
Rosanne (Sandra's co-worker)*

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**Rosanne** - November 18, 2020 at 10:01 AM

MB

“ *Marvin and Becky Beland purchased the Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant for the family of Mr. James Ray Taylor.*



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**Marvin and Becky Beland** - November 18, 2020 at 09:21 AM

JB

“ *I'm going to really miss my road dog, neighbor, and uncle JT. He and my Aunt Ann had been together forever and a day and that's why he was uncle JT to me. We rolled out the drive way about the same time on our way to work and I'm truly going to miss that Truck starting up in the mornings. This is so heartbreaking for me but I know we all have to leave this earth at some point and time. Aunt Ann I Got You! And I know JT will be watching over you too!*



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**Juanita M Barrett** - November 17, 2020 at 09:25 PM

TC

*Many of my best childhood memories include my uncle JT. Im told that as a toddler he would scoop me up and ride me all day on the great bus 🚌 He always showed me love and made me feel special growing up. He and my aunt Ann are part of the reason I was a spoiled kid. Lol but hey I was loved 🙏🏾♀️ I'll never forget you 🥰 Thank you for your love. I'm counting on you to watch over auntie and the rest of us. ❤️*

**Taneka Clemons Craig** - November 18, 2020 at 05:46 PM

BD

*With a heavy heart I write a good bye to you. What a hand you won when you and mom came together.. Always got a kick out of you introducing us as your daughters to family and friends. What great memories you left all to cherish and most of all how to treat people fair and with kindness. My husband always say this how JT would do it and you have him getting up Saturday morning watching westerns. Funny thing about life we don't chose the family you born into but GOD allows us to chose who we build families with and we built a family with you for over 2 decades! Rest in Power!*

**Bonus Daughter** - November 21, 2020 at 02:26 PM

JC

“ *James W /Ava Cratch lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Ray Taylor*



**James W /Ava Cratch** - November 17, 2020 at 03:11 PM

JC

*JT this is so hard for me as you and I have been friends over 50 years just like brothers. We even shared an apartment together back in the day, I used to be at your house in Simpson and the River house and when I moved to Hardee Acres you said JC if another house open up out there man call me cause I am moving out there too and you did. This is really hard for me but I know you rolling with the angels in heaven, I will never never forget you. I love you bro. You left and did not tell us bye but I see you on the other side. Love you Ann  
James W Cratch*

**James W Cratch** - November 18, 2020 at 02:36 PM

JF

“ Johnny & LaVette Ford lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Ray Taylor



Johnny & LaVette Ford - November 17, 2020 at 08:05 AM

EH

“ Evangelist Gwen Hudson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James Ray Taylor



Evangelist Gwen Hudson - November 17, 2020 at 07:37 AM

CS

“ Congleton Funeral Home and Staff wishes to express our sincere condolence on the passing of your love one. We light this candle in their memory.



Congleton Funeral Home and Staff - November 16, 2020 at 04:32 PM

TH

“ To the Taylor Family Our sincere condolences Love Ya Always Kookie💕💕

Joe n Tarshia Sutton - Harris❤️🙏



Tarshia Sutton Harris - November 16, 2020 at 02:39 PM