



Mr. James David Worthington

December 2, 1936 - July 11, 2023

James David Worthington, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and cherished member of the community, passed away peacefully on July 11, 2023. He was born on December 2, 1936, in Winterville, North Carolina, to the late Elbert Williams and Raine Blair Worthington. James, known affectionately as JD, lived a life filled with love, dedication, and hard work.

JD attended W.H. Robinson Union School in Winterville, NC where he laid the foundation for his future endeavors. At the age of 18, he embarked on a new chapter in his life, moving to New York City. He began his career at The American Chicle Company making Chiclets, a brand of candy-coated chewing gum before finding his calling with the New York City Transit Authority (NYCTA) in 1974. JD dedicated himself to his work, serving the city's transportation system with pride and professionalism for 27 years.

During his time in New York, JD's life took a wonderful turn when he crossed paths with the love of his life, Meter Black, in Brooklyn. Their connection was undeniable, and they built a life together in Queens, filled with love, laughter, and beautiful memories. Together, they nurtured their children, creating a warm and loving home.

After a fulfilling career with the NYCTA, JD retired and returned to his roots, moving back to his hometown of Winterville, North Carolina. There, he reconnected with his community and enjoyed the simple pleasures of life. He cherished the close bonds he had with his family and friends, who remained a significant part of his life.

JD will forever be remembered for his kind and gentle nature, his unwavering love for his family, and his dedication to his work. He leaves behind a legacy of love and resilience that will continue to inspire those who had the privilege of knowing him.

James David Worthington was preceded in death by his parents, Elbert Williams, and Raine Blair Worthington; one sister, Catherine Fields.

JD is survived by his loving wife, Meter Black, of Winterville, North Carolina; his children, Sylvia Black-Jordan, of Charlotte, North Carolina, James Black and wife Tanya, of Macedon, New York, Brian Worthington and wife Anikke, of Queens, New York, Dorothy Black of Oakland Gardens, New York, Antony Black of Raleigh, North Carolina; nine grandchildren, Jason Jordan and Stephon Jordan of Charlotte, North Carolina, Donte Black of Mesa, Arizona, Jasmine Black, Devonte Black, and Tivon Black of Macedon, New York, Briana Worthington, and Bryce Worthington of Queens, New York, Ava Worthington of Raleigh, North Carolina; one great grandson, Jeramiah Trusdale of Charlotte, North Carolina; two brothers, Jessie Lee Worthington and wife Ella of Danville, Illinois, Elbert Williams Jr. of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; he also leaves behind a vast number of nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends.

Cemetery Details

Homestead Memorial Gardens

4251 E. 10th Street
Greenville, NC 27858

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL 21. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Good Hope Free Will Baptist Church
2506 Mill Street
Winterville, NC 28590

Celebration of Life Service

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Tribute Wall



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Congleton Memorial Mortuary - July 21, 2023 at 01:18 PM



“ *Mr. James David Worthington*

October 06, 2023 at 05:52 AM



“ *My condolences and prayers for the family of cousin JD's branch of Worthington. Prayers of comfort and strength for the offspring*

Darren Hill - July 21, 2023 at 01:12 PM



“ *Sorry for your loss . Prayers and condolences to the family .*



Olivia Ricketts - July 21, 2023 at 12:23 PM



“ *My condolences to the family of cousin JD . You never want to say goodbye to a loved one but God's plan included JD . Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal . Be encouraged in the Lord as you celebrate the Homegoing.*

Bishop Ronald Hayes - July 20, 2023 at 10:44 PM

RF

“ *Rev.Milton&Delorse Family lit a candle in memory of James Worthington*



Rev.Milton&Delorse Staton Family - July 18, 2023 at 06:05 PM

EH

“ *My Thoughts And Prayers Are With The Family*



Evangelist Gwen Hudson - July 12, 2023 at 08:59 AM

RF

“ *Rev.Milton&Delorse Staton Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. James David Worthington*



Rev.Milton&Delorse Staton Family - July 11, 2023 at 10:32 PM

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“ *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 - July 11, 2023 at 03:51 PM