



Joel Max Forbes

November 21, 1960 - July 30, 2021

Joel Forbes, affectionately known as, Mike and / or Minister Forbes departed this world on Friday July 30th. He leaves to honor his memory: two daughters, Donna Forbes and Ashley Gibbs (Davaughn); three grandchildren Dajah, DaVontae, and DaMiyah Gibbs. His mother Nora Lee Forbes, sister Sylvan Gay, two brothers Edward "Pookie" Forbes and Tyrone Forbes. Along with a host of aunts, nieces, and nephews. To honor his wishes there will be no funeral services. His request is for everyone to remember him, how he was, prior to his passing. He loved more than anything to spend time with his grandchildren and children. He was a father, grandfather, son, brother, uncle, mentor, minister, preacher, supporter, motivator and listener and he wore those titles well. His sermons would make you laugh, cry, clap, and shout. They were filled with encouragement, especially for those who at times felt forgotten or mistreated, and he always gave it to you straight. Here is an excerpt from one of his sermons:

Directions to the Set-Up House

Jesus rose up in order to set us up with the Father, the Holy Ghost, and Power. Set us up so we can be delivered and blessed so we can enter into the kingdom. Set yourself up to come to church. To worship and pray so you can set your children up to know God. Thank God for momma. She set me up to know God for myself, to work out my own soul salvation in order to make it to heaven. How to get home...

1st get off 1229 hell street

2nd get on 128 Heaven Avenue

Go down about 2 blocks, you'll see some stumbling blocks

Just step on over them

Go down a few more blocks you will see some hills you have to climb

Then look to the hills which come your help

Cross over the Jordan River and you will see a Kingdom with streets paved with gold and a gate.

Go on in, you don't need a passcode

2 angels will meet you and take you to the father.

There he will say welcome my good and faithful servant. Come on in, sit down on your labor and rest.

Then you can stop, look around, and say,

I'm HOME. - Minster Mike Forbes

You are home now Daddy. Take your rest.

Tribute Wall



“ *Joel Max Forbes*

October 06, 2023 at 05:52 AM



“ *Terine Holloway lit a candle in memory of Joel Max Forbes*



Terine Holloway - August 09, 2021 at 07:31 PM



“ *REST MY COUSIN...WE SHALL MEET AGAIN..*



tonya vines - August 08, 2021 at 06:46 PM



“ *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 - August 06, 2021 at 06:01 PM

WJ

“ *My Deepest Condolences To The Family
Praying God Will Strengthen You During This
Difficult Time 🙏🙏*



Wilbur Moore Jr - August 05, 2021 at 10:15 PM

TM

“ *Theressa Mitchell lit a candle in memory of
Joel Max Forbes*



Theressa Mitchell - August 04, 2021 at 02:39 PM

TW

“ *To the family may God bless and keep your
family in perfect peace.*



Thelma Wilkes - August 04, 2021 at 11:51 AM

CE

“ Sending our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Please accept our Deepest and most Sincere Condolences. Know that God loves you and can restore your Spirits, give you Peace, and Strengthen you. May the care and love of family and friends around you provide Comfort to get you through the days ahead. Our Deepest Sympathy, Cousins Belinda, Carolyn, Troy and Corey



Carolyn A Edwards - August 04, 2021 at 11:01 AM

SH

“ Sorry for you all loss...may God give you the strength to get through this ...I will be praying for you all



Sharon Harris - August 04, 2021 at 10:58 AM

EH

“ Evangelist Gwen Hudson sent a virtual gift in memory of Joel Max Forbes



Evangelist Gwen Hudson - August 04, 2021 at 07:43 AM

EH

“ *Evangelist Gwen Hudson sent a virtual gift in memory of Joel Max Forbes*



Evangelist Gwen Hudson - August 04, 2021 at 07:40 AM

ER

“ *Take Ya Rest...and Rest Well...Unk!
You Did Your Work Here On Earth and Now It's Time To Rest Well
in the Hands of The Lord!
You Earned It!
You Will Truly Be Missed in Mind...Body...and Spirit!
🙏 Amen*

Ervin - August 03, 2021 at 10:18 PM

RF

“ *Rev. Milton & Delores Staton Family lit a candle in memory of Joel Max Forbes*



Rev. Milton & Delores Staton Family - August 03, 2021 at 10:10 PM

SF

“ This is one cousin that will be greatly missed I worked with him for years at MESTEK in Farmville. I truly. Missed that smile and wonderful Forbes family jokes. We all always cut up and clown and laugh when we saw each other. It was never a dull moment that will be my greatest memory of my cousin is you never had a dull moment. With that moment he always gave u a gift wisdom within the joke of conversation so I thank God for the time we did spend together my family be blessed and be strong love you all

Shelton Forbes - August 03, 2021 at 08:27 PM

MG

“ Mary Gorham lit a candle in memory of Joel Max Forbes



Mary Gorham - August 03, 2021 at 08:24 PM

BB

“ My condolences to the Forbes family you are in our prayers.

Barnita Bynum - August 03, 2021 at 07:39 PM

TB

“ R.I.H. 💕💕 Cousin Mike Forbes 🙏

Temiaka Braswell - August 03, 2021 at 07:36 PM

PS

“ Condolences to the family Mike started his Ministry under my Pastorship at St. John in Farmville this is his former Pastor at that time Pastor Jimmy Stokes

Pastor Jimmy Stokes - August 03, 2021 at 06:09 PM

DN

“ Condolences to Aunt Nora Lee, your children and grandchildren as well as Mike's daughters and grandchildren. Our prayers are sent to you

Derick T Newton - August 03, 2021 at 05:49 PM

VB

“ Valerie Blount-Joyner sent a virtual gift in memory of Joel Max Forbes



Valerie Blount-Joyner - August 02, 2021 at 11:13 PM

SN

“ My condolences to Mrs. Nora Forbes and family. As you always say, God makes no mistake but I know your Heart is heavy for the loss of your son and our prayers are with all of you. 🕊️🙏❤️



Sondra Early/Greenville NC - August 02, 2021 at 09:39 PM

ED

“ Joel was such a caring person. He always visited my mom in the nursing home. May the God of all comfort be with you and your family during this difficult time of loss.



Eldress Carolyn Daniels-Ward - August 02, 2021 at 05:43 PM