



Mr. James Winfred Coats III

June 23, 1973 - March 18, 2026

Mr. James Winfred Coats, III, 52, of Peoria IL, passed away at 11:44 am on Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at OSF St. Francis Medical Center, surrounded by his loved ones.

James was born June 23, 1973, in Peoria, IL to James, Jr. and Rosemary (Bailey) Coats.

James worked at Target Retail Store as a commercial custodian. He attended Harrison Primary School, Trewyn Middle School, Manual High School and Peoria Central High School.

James leaves to cherish his most precious memory, his mother, Rosemary (William Evans) Coats of Peoria, IL; six sons, James (Britiss) Coats, IV, De'Sean Shelton and Josiah Coats all of Peoria, IL, J'Sean Coats, Cleonte Coats and Malachi Johnson all of Iowa; four brothers, Robert Coats, Phillip Graham, John Peyton and Antonio Gordon all of Peoria, IL; two sisters, Dinehsa (Preston) Hogan and Cynthia Coats both of Peoria, IL; three grandchildren, James Coats, V, Semaj Coats and India Coats all of Peoria, IL and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends who loved him. He is preceded in death by his father; one son, Javon Walker; one brother, Jerome Bailey and maternal grandparents, Freddie Mae Holmes-Bailey and Timothy Johnson.

Funeral services will be held at 2 pm on Friday, April 10, 2026, at Sovereign Grace M.B. Church, with a visitation one hour prior at 1 pm. Pastor Alvin Riley, Sr. will officiate. James will be laid to rest at Historic Springdale Cemetery.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be shared at SimonsMortuary.com.

Cemetery Details

Historic Springdale Cemetery

3014 N. Prospect Road
Peoria, IL 61603

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **10**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Sovereign Grace M.B. Church
1505 W. Martin Street
Peoria, IL 61605

Funeral Service

APR **10**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Sovereign Grace M.B. Church
1505 W. Martin Street
Peoria, IL 61605

Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. James Winfred Coats III*



Simons Mortuary - April 09 at 04:57 PM



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Webcast in memory of Mr. James Winfred Coats III*



Simons Mortuary - April 09 at 03:14 PM

MH

“ *Man I'm going to miss you. I am relieved that you're suffering has ended.*

Mark H - April 10 at 02:45 PM

AL

“ *Annette Lucy lit a candle in memory of James Coats*



Annette Lucy - April 07 at 01:07 AM

FB

“ *My family you are in my prayers, I love you ALL.. yes we are strong but together as a unit we are stronger. Boog we love you baby ALWAYS & FOREVER, Your Sister/Cousin Byrd* □

Frantia Bailey - March 25 at 05:54 AM

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“ *I love u James u will forever be in my heart*



Econda Edwards - March 24 at 10:21 PM