



Mr. James Willie "Big James" Covington

April 13, 1947 - May 1, 2014

Mr. James Covington, 67, of Peoria, IL passed away after a long illness peacefully at his home surrounded by his loving and devoted family at 2:37 AM on Thursday, May 1, 2014.

James was born on April 13, 1947 in Hernando, Mississippi to Bernice Washington and Richard Covington. He married Erma (Brookins) Covington and to that union six children were born.

James leaves to cherish his most precious memories his loving family which includes his children; Paul (Sylvia) Cox, Regina (Larry) Calhoun, Terry Cox, Stephanie (Tim) Thomas and April (Bobby) Covington-Smith all of Peoria and Steve (Tina) Cox of Houston, TX; his special friend, Stephanie MaGee of Peoria; three brothers, Dennis Washington of Peoria and Barney Washington and the Rev. Robert Washington both of Memphis, TN; three sisters, Joyce Washington of Peoria and Joann Hoskins and Brenda Joyner both of Memphis, TN; 25 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews other family and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents; 7 brothers and 3 sisters.

James worked as grounds keeper and maintenance personnel at Pierson Hills for many years. He loved baseball and watching westerns. He was known to be the family weatherman.

Funeral services will be held at 11 AM on Friday, May 9, 2014 at Holy Tabernacle C.O.G.I.C with a visitation beginning at 10 AM. Pastor Robert Criss and Elder Michael Watson will officiate. Simons Mortuary has been

entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made to simonsmortuary.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Holy Tabernacle C.O.G.I.C.
3417 North Leroy Avenue
Peoria, AK 61604

Funeral Service

MAY 9. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. James Willie "Big James" Covington*



Simons Mortuary - May 08, 2014 at 06:07 PM



“ *Mr. James Willie "Big James" Covington*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mr. James Willie "Big James" Covington*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *Always be remembered Love ya*



Wanda Stokes - May 07, 2014 at 05:32 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Family



Tamara Parker - May 07, 2014 at 10:23 AM



“ Tamara Parker lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Willie "Big James" Covington



Tamara Parker - May 07, 2014 at 10:18 AM

LB

“ U will b missed but Never 4 gotten

Latasher Ballard - May 05, 2014 at 01:32 PM

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“ May you gain strength in knowing that your memories and faith will guide you through such difficult times.
May God Bless the Family of James.
May James Rest in Peace.
From the Crew at Stephanie's Discount Depot and for SAMMY,
We're here for you.

Russell Stephanie's Crew - May 04, 2014 at 12:33 AM