



Mr. James W. Ellington, Sr.

August 2, 1925 - December 26, 2020

Mr. James William Ellington, Sr., 95, of Peoria, Illinois transitioned to his heavenly home at 1:13 pm on Saturday, December 26, 2020 at OSF St. Francis Medical Center.

James was born on August 2, 1925 in Springfield, Illinois to Eli and Mary “Hot Tamale” (Wagner) Ellington Hughes. He married Lillie Childs and shared many wonderful years of marriage until her death on June 15, 1980.

James worked for the City of Peoria as a janitor for many years. He was a Handyman and a very kind and gentle person. He was a long-time member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. James’ pastime was watching western movies and wrestling. James was a huge Cubs Fan.

James leaves to cherish his most precious memories his son, James Jr. (Mary) Ellington of Springfield, IL; two daughters, Mary (Gary) Ellington and Hattie Ellington-Taylor both of Peoria, IL; a special son-in-law, Jimmie Taylor of Peoria, IL; 11 grandchildren, a host of great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends who adored him. He is also preceded in death by his parents; his daughter, Dorothy “Dottie” Brown; two sisters, Virginia Ellington and Alberta Guard and a granddaughter, Valarie Ellington.

A private funeral service will be held at 11 am on Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at Simons Mortuary Chapel with a visitation beginning prior at 10 am. Rev. Ronald C. Mables, Sr., Pastor of House of Worship Church, will bring words of comfort. James will be laid to rest at Lutheran Cemetery.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [SimonsMortuary.com](https://www.SimonsMortuary.com).

The service will be live streamed on Simons Mortuary's Website or Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Simons-Mortuary-232095303487150> promptly AT THE TIME OF THE SERVICE.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, social distancing and attendance, funerals are limited to 10 family members of the decedents, not including the staff at Simon Mortuary. To be consistent with recommendations from the National Funeral Directors Association (NFDA), funeral home directors have been instructed and should follow CDC guidelines on gatherings, including those directly related to funerals, visitations, or graveside services. Funerals are limited to no more than 10 of the decedent's immediate family members.

*In an effort to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, we ask that everyone in attendance: wear a face mask and refrain from hugging, kissing and shaking hands (as hard as it is to see someone you care about and not touch them).

*It is our responsibility as a Funeral Directors, to do everything we can to advise families in order to honor our beloved Families and to keep everyone as safe as possible. The chapel can socially distance and seat no more than 10 or less people. All others will be able to flow through prior to beginning of the service.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation!

Cemetery Details

Lutheran Cemetery

914 S Pleasant St
Peoria, IL 61604-5954

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. James W. Ellington, Sr.*



Simons Mortuary - January 12, 2021 at 12:02 PM



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. James W. Ellington, Sr.*



Simons Mortuary - December 29, 2020 at 04:32 PM

DW

Mr. Ellington. Thanks you for the days you spent with my auntie. We all think you were a great fellow. God bless this family with comfort and peace.

Darryel Wells - December 30, 2020 at 03:35 PM



“ *Mr. James W. Ellington, Sr.*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mr. James W. Ellington, Sr.*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *Joanie Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. James W. Ellington, Sr.*



Joanie Brown - January 13, 2021 at 01:29 AM



“ *To the family of James William Ellington, You have my deepest condolences and prayers are being sent your way for our Heavenly Father to keep you during this time. Your dad was a great resident during his stay here at B'nai B'rith and we think of him often. He will truly be missed. May you all take care and know that he was loved.*



Jewel Gibson - January 05, 2021 at 01:43 PM



“ *Mancy Pittman sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James W. Ellington, Sr.*



Mancy Pittman - December 31, 2020 at 05:50 AM

MR

“ *Mattie Risby sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James W. Ellington, Sr.*



Mattie Risby - December 30, 2020 at 10:01 PM

AL

“ *Annette Lucy sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James W. Ellington, Sr.*



Annette Lucy - December 30, 2020 at 01:07 PM

LA

“ *Lou Aldridge lit a candle in memory of Mr. James W. Ellington, Sr.*



Lou Aldridge - December 29, 2020 at 06:52 PM



“ *Evelyn Tate-Clayton sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James W. Ellington, Sr.*



Evelyn Tate-Clayton - December 29, 2020 at 05:38 PM



“ 33 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Simons Mortuary - December 29, 2020 at 04:33 PM

JM

“ *James was a very good friend of ours here at Bnai Brith when he lived in Phase II. He went on many trips with us. We got to see him again after a long time when he was in the nursing home on Glen Road and he knew who we were. We had a great time remembering our fun times. God bless James.*

Jim and Nancy Mustard - December 29, 2020 at 03:24 PM