



## Mr. James L. McPherson Jr.

March 23, 1955 - May 10, 2024

\*\*\*\*A VISITATION & FUNERAL SERVICE IN LOVING MEMORY FOR MR. JAMES L. MCPHERSON JR. WILL BE HELD FRIDAY, MAY 24, 2024, AT OUR FUNERAL HOME.

\*\*\*\*NOTE: PLEASE SEE THE VISITATION & SERVICES TIMES LISTED BELOW

\*\*\*\*MASKS ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST. WE WILL PROVIDE HAND SANITIZER WHEN ENTERING OUR BUILDING.

\*\*\*If you have any questions, please contact us at: (269) 342-1000

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James L. McPherson departed this life May 10, 2024 surrounded by his loved ones. He was born March 23, 1955 in Okolona, MS to the late James L McPherson Sr and Lorrene McPherson. He accepted Christ at an early age at New Hebron Church in Okolona MS. He received an early education at Fannie Carter High School in Okolona MS. He relocated to Kalamazoo, MI in 1980, where he remained until death. He was known best for his sense of humor, and his one-of-a-kind laugh. James loved hunting and fishing with his favorite buddy Dave Buchanan.

He was preceded in death by his wife Wilma Norman-McPherson; parents James L McPherson, Sr. and Lorrene McPherson, Grandparents Molly Love

Dopson, Eldora Taylor and Joe McPherson, Grandson Axzavious Bailey, Brothers Dexter McPherson, William Earl Collins, Cabley and Conrad Townsend, Nephew Dontae McPherson, Aunts Cora White, and Tessie L Bowen, Uncle William Lagrone.

He is survived by his step-mother Cercellia McPherson of Shannon, MS, son Xzavious Small of Okolona MS, Sister Mary McPherson of Kalamazoo, MI Brother WC (Jake) McPherson of Houston, MS, Step-Children Artesia Norman of Kalamazoo, MI, Travis (Tanya), Jacob (Janneen), Mannix Brown all of Kalamazoo, Mark Brown of Grand Rapids MI, Autreale (Dana), Mary Shief, Anthony Allen, Arthur (Tekisha) Norman all of Kalamazoo MI, Courtney (Stephanie) Norman of Grand Rapid MI; Aunts Rose Boone of Kalamazoo, MI, Annie Thompson of Shannon, MS, Margie Lean Taylor of Houston, MS. Uncle Jessie Taylor of Kalamazoo, MI. Sister in Law Mary Helen Collins of Okolona, MS, Christine (Dave) Thurman, Joanne Warford, Verline Brown all of Kalamazoo; Grandchildren, Jamari, Jalen, Artevion, Jaishon, and Bella who was truly a PawPaw's girl.

James was loved and adopted as a brother by the Buchanan boys Brad, Jerry, and his long-time brother and friend Dave Buchanan. Dave and James have been joined at the hip since the early age of 3 years old. He also will leave to cherish his friends William Earl Crockett, and George McMillan of Kalamazoo, MI. He is also survived and will be missed by a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Riverside Cemetery

1015 Gull Rd  
Kalamazoo, MI 49048-1733  
(269) 337-8227

# Previous Events

## Visitation For Family & Friends

**MAY 23.** 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

## Visitation For Family & Friends

**MAY 24.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI

## A Service in Loving Memory

**MAY 24.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Harper Funeral Home - Chapel  
521 Douglas Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI



# Tribute Wall



“ Harper Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. James L. McPherson Jr.



Harper Funeral Home - May 23, 2024 at 04:01 AM

DF

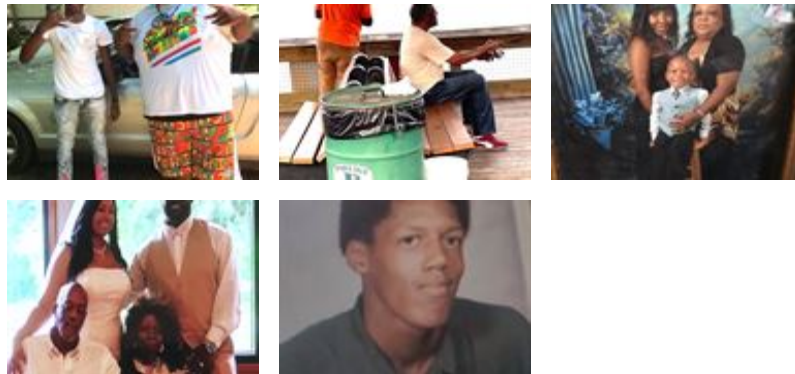
“ Dallas Boards and family lit a candle in memory of James McPherson



Dallas Boards and family - May 26, 2024 at 08:35 AM



“ 5 files added to the album LifeTributes



Harper Funeral Home - May 24, 2024 at 09:02 AM

RL

“ *Ramona K Lumpkin sent a virtual gift in memory of James McPherson*



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**Ramona K Lumpkin** - May 23, 2024 at 09:07 PM

DR

“ *Donald & Ruby(Walker)Barbee lit a candle in memory of James McPherson*



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**Donald & Ruby(Walker)Barbee** - May 23, 2024 at 05:47 PM

ES

“ *Ethel (Jones) Smith lit a candle in memory of James McPherson*



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**Ethel (Jones) Smith** - May 23, 2024 at 06:29 AM

ML

“ *Malinda Ligon-Whitley lit a candle in memory of James McPherson*



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**Malinda Ligon-Whitley** - May 23, 2024 at 01:18 AM

AL

“ I will miss your laugh it stood out in a crowd.  
Rest on.



Alice - May 21, 2024 at 01:58 PM

CS

“ No more pain or fear my friend. Rest in the Arms of Jesus.

Carolyn Seaberry - May 21, 2024 at 09:01 AM

JL

“ Jessie Lipsey lit a candle in memory of Mr.  
James L. McPherson Jr.



Jessie Lipsey - May 20, 2024 at 06:22 PM

JD

“ Jack Dunigan lit a candle in memory of Mr.  
James L. McPherson Jr.



Jack Dunigan - May 20, 2024 at 05:07 PM

GG

“ *Guenetta Harris Gordon lit a candle in memory of Mr. James L. McPherson Jr.*



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**Guenetta Harris Gordon** - May 20, 2024 at 02:59 PM

TW

“ *Terri Walker lit a candle in memory of Mr. James L. McPherson Jr.*



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**Terri Walker** - May 20, 2024 at 02:02 PM

CS

“ *Cynthia Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. James L. McPherson Jr.*



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**Cynthia Smith** - May 20, 2024 at 10:57 AM

CM

“ *Chanell McPherson lit a candle in memory of Mr. James L. McPherson Jr.*



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**Chanell McPherson** - May 20, 2024 at 08:53 AM

LS

“ *Lola Streeter lit a candle in memory of James McPherson*



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**Lola Streeter** - May 19, 2024 at 09:38 PM

HB

“ *HAL & JANET BUCHANAN lit a candle in memory of James McPherson*



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**HAL & JANET BUCHANAN** - May 19, 2024 at 07:18 PM