

In Loving Memory of
Deacon
Wendell James



Sunrise
January 23, 1953

Sunset
May 14, 2016

Service

Saturday, May 21, 2016 - 10:00 a.m.

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church
198 Chadwick Avenue, Newark, New Jersey

Obituary

Deacon Wendell Lee James

Deacon Wendell James was born on January 23, 1953 in Garnet, SC to the late Anderson James II and Margarie James. Wendell transitioned from this world at the loving call of our Heavenly Father on Saturday, May 14, 2016 at his home with his loving wife, Stephanie James in Union, NJ with his loving family by his side.

Wendell was educated by the Newark Public School system and graduated from South Side High School (Shabazz) class of 1970. He received certification for Medical Technician at Ultrasound Diagnostic School May 18, 2012. Wendell worked many jobs until he found his passion in the medical field where he spent many years at Daughters of Israel. He later went to Surgical Care where he worked fifteen years being a loving provider for his family.

At a very young age, Wendell accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior at New Zion Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Willie Gordon. Wendell later became a member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church where he became an ordained Deacon in 2009 under the leadership of Pastor Vincent M. Rouse. Wendell was also apart of the male chorus and a faithful member until God called him home.

Wendell was known for his infamous two step; which is how he met his wife, Stephanie James at Scotts Manor in 1989. From that day on they were known as the dynamic duo cutting the rug at any chance, with his loving wife affectionately yelling “that’s my husband” at every event. Wendell and Stephanie later became one under God on June 22, 1995.

Wendell’s love for his wife and family was known by all. Wendell was a very proud and supportive father of all his children Derrick Atwood, Warnell Murrell, Kishawn Murrell and Marissa Murrell.

Wendell will be missed as the “Grill Master” at every family event. With Kyimah and Kylimah “PAPA’s” babies at his side. We will all miss his famous onions, turkey burgers and lemonade.

Wendell is preceded but now reunited with his father, Anderson James II, two sisters, Patricia James and Leila Robinson and two brothers, Harold and Glenn James.

Wendell leaves to cherish his memory: his wife and best friend, Stephanie James; mother, Margarie Watts; four children, Derrick Atwood, Warnell Murrell (Amina), Kishawn Murrell and Marissa Murrell; nine grandchildren, Derrick Macken, Kyimah Murrell, Darnell Macken, Kylimah Murrell, Onya Vargas, Fawfeeq Mitchell-Mcloyd, Shaneya and Shaniya Herbert and Ibn Walker, Jr.; his siblings, Salaam Shabazz (Miriam) and Carol Cokley (Virgil); five sisters-in-law, Gloria James, Yolanda James, Ida Walker, Cynthia Murrell, Margie Fontaine (Harry); two brothers-in-law, Herman Murrell (Teryle) and Timothy Murrell (Beverly); two aunts, Mary Taylor and Lottie Gordon; four godchildren, Brian Lasure, Brian Wallace, Jaysir Washington and Joseph Brickhouse, Jr.; a niece who was like a daughter, Sharena Robinson; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and many relatives and friends.

Wendell leaves a lifetime of memories love and laughter to all who love him.

Order of Service

Processional Clergy and Family

Call to Worship

Scripture Readings

Old Testament Rev. Keia Boyd

New Testament Pastor Debra Blanks

Musical Selection P.G.B.C. Mass Choir

Prayer of Comfort Rev. Lottie Williams

Expressions of Love Warnell Murrell

Open Expressions (2 Minutes Only)

Solo

Acknowledgements/Obituary Lori Toure

Selection P.G.B.C. Mass Choir

Solo Margarie Watts

(Mother)

Eulogy Pastor Vincent M. Rouse, Sr.

Prayer & Benediction

Recessional

Postlude

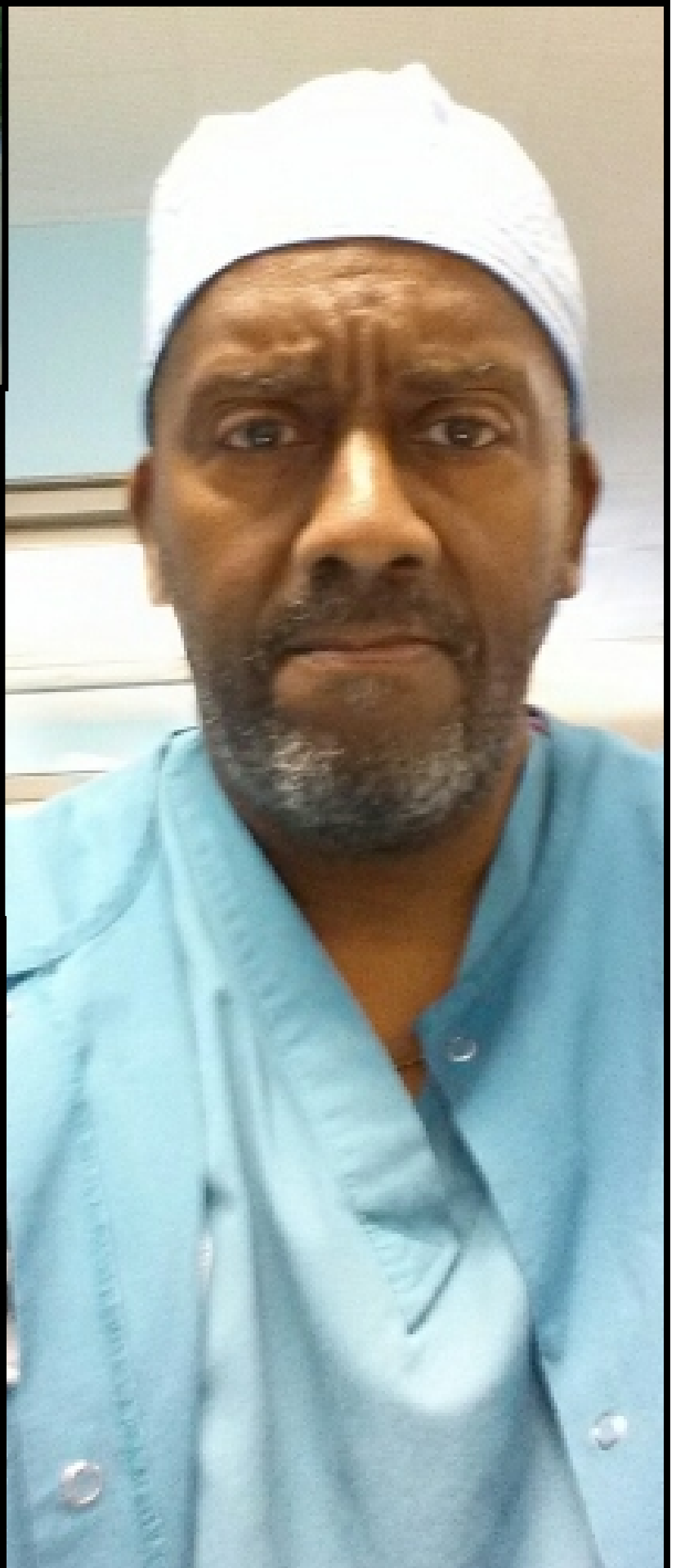
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Interment</u> Hollywood Memorial Park 1500 Stuyvesant Avenue Union, New Jersey 07083</p>

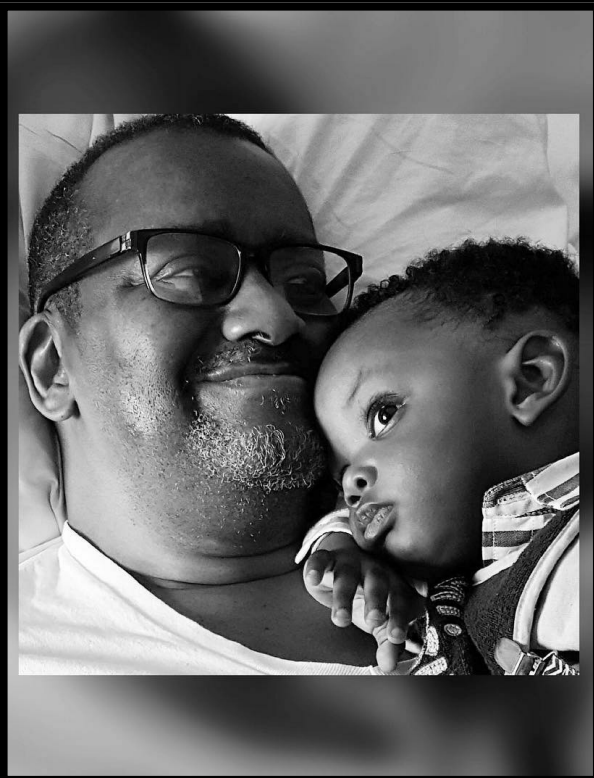
Please join us if you can for repast after the interment at
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188 Irvine Turner Blvd.
Newark, NJ

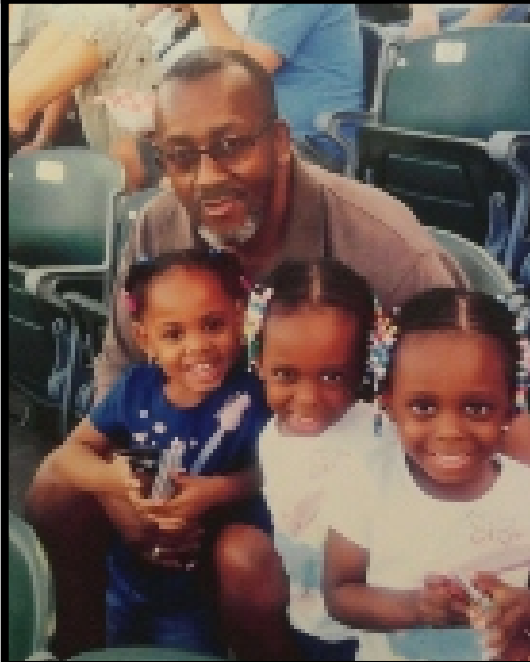


Lasting

Memories







Pallbearers

Walter Williams (Front walker)

Warnell Murrell

Brian Lasure

Brian Wallace

Natez Jordan

James Draughin

Darnell Macken

Thank You

The family of **Deacon Wendell James** acknowledges with deep appreciation all acts of kindness extended during this bereavement season.

God bless you all for your prayers, thoughtfulness and concern.

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