



Willie James Colon

November 2, 1939 - November 5, 2023

Willie James "Bill" Colon was born November 2, 1939 in Cape Girardeau, Missouri to Jesse and Catherine Swopes Colon. He was one of nine siblings: seven boys and two girls.

On Sunday, November 5, 2023, Willie James answered the higher call and made his transition from his earthly home to his Heavenly home, while at his residence in Cape Girardeau at the age of 84 years, three days. He has found everlasting joy, peace and rest.

Willie James was a father, brother, uncle, grandfather and friend to everyone he met. He was a hard worker who loved his family and provided for them while living and loving life to the fullest. Willie James enjoyed traveling, hanging out with friends, grilling and cooking. His biggest thrill was rebuilding antique cars and taking them to car shows.

Willie James worked 60 plus years in several aspects such as, bond clerk, police officer, police investigator, R.E.A. security officer and owned Triple C Maintenance.

Willie James served his country for eight years in the United States Army as a Master Parachutist and served in the Vietnam War.

Willie James leaves to cherish his memories to one daughter, Benita (Sidney) Williams; two grandchildren, Takisha Adams and Dominique Williams; three great-grandchildren, Jaylen Adams, Nariyah Williams and Neveah Williams. He also leaves behind a whole host of nieces and nephews and his best friend, Theo Lattin of over 40 plus years.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Jesse and Catherine Swopes Colon; six brothers, Harry (Bernice), Frank (Mary Etta), Wilfred (Louise), James (Lillie Bee), Aubrey (Doris) and Jessie Colon Jr. (Lenetta and Mamie); and two sisters, Mary (Bill) Giboney and Ethel (Frank) Swift.

Visitation will be 10:00 am to 12:00 pm on Saturday, November 18, 2023 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau.

Funeral service will follow at 12:00 pm Saturday at the funeral home with the Rev. Kevin Colon officiating.

Burial will be at New Lorimier Cemetery in Cape Girardeau, with full military honors.

Online condolences may be made at www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com.

Ford & Sons Funeral Home - Mt. Auburn is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

New Lorimier Cemetery

832 Caruthers
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 18. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Ford and Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Funeral Service

NOV 18. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *My deepest sympathies are sent out to all members and friends of my family. Uncle Bill was bigger than life. I love you uncle.* ”

Carl Giboney - November 18, 2023 at 12:33 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Willie James Colon.* ”



November 13, 2023 at 11:36 AM