



## Anthony Jerome Ward

June 4, 1950 - September 23, 2017

Anthony Jerome "Skipper" Ward was born in Nansemond County Virginia on June 4, 1950 to Ms. M. Elizabeth Ward and Mr. Willie Hines. He is the second of four children. Skipper, as he was affectionately known to family and childhood friends, was educated in the Suffolk Public School system and later attended Tidewater Community College.

Anthony served his country during the Vietnam Conflict in the US Army. While in the army, he met and married the former Linda Mitchell. From this union, three children were born, Kevin, L. Michelle, and Christopher. He later had a son named Gabriel.

The Army allowed him to travel the world until he eventually settled back home in Virginia. After separating from the Army with an honorable discharge, Anthony began working for the Norfolk Navy Ship Yard until his retirement.

Anthony met Dutchess Copeland who became his friend, confidant and constant companion. They eventually married November 3, 2006.

Anthony "Skipper" Ward was a vibrant man. He loved to stay on the go and enjoy family and friends. An avid music lover, he was gifted to play several instruments. He and his brother Leslie could often be heard jamming on the bass and lead guitars. Cars were another lifelong love and he owned several collectibles including his beloved apple red corvette. Anthony was one of a kind. His love, friendship, wisdom and sage advice will be sorely missed by all who loved him.

Anthony leaves behind to cherish his memory, wife Dutchess C. Ward; children, Kevin (Tanyalle) Ward, Lynette (William) Winegan, Christopher Ward and Gabriel Hamilton; mother, Mary E. Weatherspoon; sisters, Sheila Scott and Dana (Kevin) Slaughter; brother, Leslie Ward; grandchildren: Devonte W., Tiara W., Antonio W., Taylor W., Ciara W., Tamia H., Keir C., Xavier R., David H., Shakira W., Ramiyah W., Kaelen W.; five great grandchildren; and a host of extended family and friends. Anthony was preceded in death by his father, Willie Hines; and stepfather, Ira Weatherspoon.



# Cemetery Details

## Albert G Horton Jr. Veterans Memorial Cemetery

5310 Milner's Road  
Suffolk, VA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **27**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services  
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Chesapeake, VA 23323  
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## Service

SEP **28**. 10:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Gilmerton  
1617 Shell Road  
Chesapeake, VA 23323

# Tribute Wall



“ *J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Anthony Jerome Ward*



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - September 27, 2017 at 07:16 PM

KW

“ *Sending prayer and God's love and peace to the family. Sorry for the loss of your brother Dana. May the peace of God be with you, and keep you through this time. Karen*



Karen Woods - September 27, 2017 at 07:58 PM

JJ

“ *To: Gabrielle Hamilton and Family,*

*Sending you lots of Love. Praying the peace of God over your lives. Gabrielle, we are always here for you.*

*Love,  
Mom Jeannette and Mr. J ❤️*

J w Johnsom - September 27, 2017 at 12:11 PM

BR

“ *To the Ward family my prayers are with you all, praying the lord will give you strength to continue on, for the lord will give strength to his people and bless his people with peace. love you all. cousin Brenda*



Brenda - September 27, 2017 at 08:21 AM

LR

“ So sorry for your lost you have my deepest sympathy.  
Praying for your strength for the family love yourll



Lythia Randall - September 26, 2017 at 12:15 PM



“ 22 files added to the album LifeTributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - September 26, 2017 at 11:36 AM

BP

“ Condolences from the Capitol Connection crew @ George Mason University.

Bob Pullar - September 26, 2017 at 11:06 AM

SQ

“ Condolences to you Dutchess from the Quamiley family  
(James &Shelby Ward)



Shelby Quamiley - September 25, 2017 at 02:32 PM