



James Earl Debrough

December 6, 1946 - December 21, 2018

Mr. James E Debrough departed this life on Friday, December 21, 2018. He was born December 6, 1946 to the late William T Debrough and the late Carrie L Porter of Portsmouth, VA. Preceded in his death, his two sisters, Mary Harris and Carrie Nadine Bazen-Trotter and his four brothers William A. Debrough, Walter Debrough, Joe Henry Debrough, and Pernel Debrough.

James worked as a fork-lift operator and a masonry assistant for 40 years where he was loved and respected by many in the construction industry. When children were born in the family, he was chosen as the oracle to nick name them/Parents were astonished at the names he would call them. His home was always interesting as he told the most fascinating stories in as much the children would try to imitate and mock his movements as he describes the stories. He was alike to Davis Ruffin of The Temptation because of his unique sounding voice. He loved to sat in the house and watch the westerns on tv as a way to relax and enjoy his time with his heroes such as Clint Eastwood and Matt Dillion. He was a man of many names in which, he named himself. So Fine, Mr. Have Mercy, Bone crusher and Easy Love are just a few. He had a heart of courage, love and care.

Left to cherish his memories are: his lifetime faithful friend, partner, and Soul Mate Beatrice Lewis of Portsmouth VA, Viola Watson of Chesapeake, William (Laura) Debrough II of Portsmouth VA, Salinda Alvin of Portsmouth VA,

Thelma Dunn Of Portsmouth VA, Dorothy (Vernon) Carney of Portsmouth VA, Barbara Debrough of Portsmouth VA, Orlene Mitchell of Portsmouth VA, George Debrough of Portsmouth VA, Carolyn Debrough of Portsmouth VA, Linwood Debrough of Portsmouth VA, Clarence (Tynetta) Debrough of Portsmouth VA, and Rosa Wright of Portsmouth VA and a host of nephews, nieces, great nephews, great nieces and friends.

Cemetery Details

Lincoln Cemetery

3901 Deep Creek Blvd
Portsmouth, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 27. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
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Service

DEC 28. 2:00 PM (ET)

Prentis Park Seventh Day Adventist
3709 Winchester Drive
Portsmouth, VA 23707

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of James Earl Debrough



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“ God I thank you for allowing this awesome man to be apart of my life,he gave so much wisdom, always gave me strength, and knowledge to be a great mother, friend and daughter to my parents and him as well, RIP Godfather I'll ALWAYS love and remember you



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