



John Lee Harrington, Sr.

June 4, 1959 - May 28, 2026

With heavy hearts and profound gratitude for a life filled with love, dedication, and resilience, we celebrate the life and legacy of John L. Harrington, Sr., who was born on June 4, 1959, in Portsmouth, Virginia.

John was the beloved son of Mother Arlene Harrington and LaRue Harrington Sr., both of whom preceded him in death. He was raised with strong values of hard work, family, and perseverance that would guide him throughout his life.

On October 23, 1997, John married the love of his life, Jannie Harrington. Together they built a loving home and shared many years of devotion, companionship, and treasured memories. John leaves behind his loving wife, Jannie Harrington; his children, Suzzette Taylor (Taiwan McQuillia), John L. Harrington, Jr. (Cornelia Harrington), and Arlene Harrington. He was a proud and devoted grandfather to Cheyenne Taylor, De'Mari Taylor, Tai'Chyna Taylor McQuillia, Tai'Saun Taylor- McQuillia, Messiah Harrington-Outland, and Maddison Harrington-Winston. He was preceded in death by his beloved grandson, Malachi Harrington-Winston. His legacy continues through his great-grandchild, Kaseem Taylor. John is also survived by his siblings, Charlie Parker (Beverly Parker), and Jonathan Harrington. He was preceded in death by his brother, LaRue Harrington Jr. (Laureen Harrington).

He leaves to cherish his memory his nieces and nephews, Patrice Hines,

Joenathan Hines (Tashwana Hines), and DeAndre (Dee) Harrington. He was preceded in death by his beloved niece, Netria (Nee Nee) Hines. In addition, he leaves behind a host of great-nieces, great nephews, extended family members, and friends who will forever remember his kindness, wisdom, and presence.

John was a dedicated and hardworking man who spent much of his career working in the Asphalt Paving industry with E.V. Williams. He later retired from Branscome, where he served as a respected Paver Operator. His strong work ethic, reliability, and commitment to excellence earned him the respect of all who worked alongside him.

Outside of work, John found joy in music and fellowship. He loved playing the guitar and harmonica and had a gift for bringing people together through song and laughter. He was also an exceptional chess player, admired for his sharp mind, patience, and strategic thinking. Whether sharing music with family, teaching life lessons, or enjoying a friendly game of chess, John left a lasting impression on everyone he encountered.

John's life was a testament to perseverance, love, and devotion to family. His strength, wisdom, and unwavering spirit will continue to inspire those who knew and loved him.

Though his physical presence is no longer with us, his legacy lives on in the hearts of his family, friends, and all whose lives he touched.

"Well done, good and faithful servant." Matthew 25:23

John L. HARRINGTON, Sr., will be deeply missed, lovingly remembered, and forever

cherished.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 12. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

J.T. Fisher Funeral Services
1248 N. George Washington Hwy.
Chesapeake, VA 23323
(757) 487-3700
info@jtfisherfuneralservices.com
<https://www.jtfisherfuneralservices.com>

Service

JUN 13. 1:00 PM (ET)

J. T. Fisher Funeral Services Chapel
1248 N. George Washington Hwy
Chesapeake, VA

Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of John Lee Harrington, Sr.



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - June 16 at 11:48 AM



“ 14 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - June 12 at 10:01 AM

CP

Charlie and I always received love from John, Sr. We always tried to show our love for John Sr. and the family. Philipians 4:7 talks about God's peace we all need.

Charlie and Beverley Parker

Charlie Parker - June 12 at 01:25 PM

JE

“ We were so saddened to hear about the passing of our beloved patient, please accept our sincere condolences for your loss.
- Love, JenCare Senior Medical Center (Portsmouth Location)

Jencare - June 10 at 04:14 PM

YF

“ Your NVM Family purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of John Lee Harrington, Sr..



Your NVM Family - June 10 at 11:52 AM

YF

“ Your NVM Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of John Lee Harrington, Sr..

Your NVM Family - June 10 at 11:52 AM

VM

“ My deepest condolences for the family of John Harrington. It was so good seeing and talking to you a few months ago at the service of one of our former Lincoln Park neighbors. You were one of the legends of Lincoln Park. Velma Mills and the Mills Family from 161 Lexington Drive.

Velma Mills - June 10 at 11:26 AM

CG

My Sincere Prayers & Condolences to the Family. RIP my good Brother

Carlton Gatling - June 10 at 09:35 PM

UF

“ Uncle Billy jr and family purchased the Beautiful i
n Blue for the family of John Lee Harrington, Sr..



Uncle Billy jr and family - June 03 at 10:52 AM

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