



## McKinley L. Artis

December 7, 1961 - July 2, 2015

McKinley Lee Artis, known better as Mickey, was born in Chesapeake, Virginia on December 6, 1961. He was the sixth child born to the late Pinrecko Lloyd and Dorothy L. Artis. He was predeceased by one brother, P.L. Artis Jr. McKinley was a loving, caring, kind, person and a devoted father and man of God. He lived in the City of Portsmouth, Va. and was educated by the Chesapeake Public School System. McKinley was a member of Lee's Chapel A.M.E. Church, where he was a greeter for all who entered the doors of the church. McKinley loved to praise and worship God, and always had a kind word of encouragement. For those who knew Mickey, he was an avid auto body mechanic; cars were his passion.

McKinley was also a loving father, brother, uncle, nephew and friend. He was a very special person who touched many of our lives with his love and compassion. His smile, laughter, humor, and precious moments we shared will be missed. We truly thank God for allowing Mickey to touch each of our lives in his special way. He will forever hold a very special place in our hearts.

Left to cherish his memories are his three sons, McKinley Thorne of Portsmouth, Patrick Thorne of Portsmouth, Willie (Tanisha) Smith of Augusta Georgia; four daughters, Towanda (Travis) Brown, Kimecha (Michael) Harmon, Precious Thorne, Kimnecko Thorne, all of Portsmouth. Seven grandchildren; Joseph Wright IV, Jaylen Chapman, Jai'Shon Wright, Jaivion Wright, Cameron Harmon, Kortney Harmon, Ta'Niyah Brown. Eight sisters,

Thelma (Charles) Crocker, Sharon Hunter, Mariea (Horace) Cross, Rachel Artise', Linda Artise'-Foggie, Linnecko Artise', Pinnecko Artise'-Tracey, Tina Artise'-Mabry. Two brothers, Michael Artis, Pinrecko L. Arose' V, and a host of loving family and friends.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 6. 4:00 PM - 7:00 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

JUL 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

Lee's Chapel AME Church  
1036 Bells Mill Road  
Chesapeake, VA 23322

# Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of McKinley L. Artis



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - July 13, 2015 at 12:10 PM



*Very nicely arranged. Resting in Peace. McKinley.*

gwen - March 16, 2016 at 10:15 PM



*An amazing man If I could help somebody was the way you lived your life. A man with a good heart. God looks at the heart of man. I Will always love you*

Mariea Artis Cross Michael's sister - December 25, 2020 at 06:06 PM



“ Words cannot express my sense of lost Mickey and I have been close for 38 years. I Will ALWAYS LOVE YOU. REST IN PEACE MY DEAR FRIEND. LOVE ALWAYS MARIE

Cynthia Marie sunkins Rombach copeland - September 26, 2015 at 06:03 AM



“ 23 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - July 08, 2015 at 03:25 PM



“ 17 files added to the album Life Tributes



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - July 06, 2015 at 03:14 PM

JH

“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the Artis family. His “authentic” testimony was inspirational and his genuine, unrestrained praise & worship were infectious – we thank God for sharing him with us.

*May God continue to bless you all.*

*Avis and James Hinton, Jr.*

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**J Hinton** - July 06, 2015 at 11:47 AM

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“ O LORD, you hear the desire of the afflicted;  
you will strengthen their heart; you will incline  
your ear. Psalm 10:17

*To the family, friends, and loved one: I am  
praying faithfully for you all during this time.*

*May our Father in Heaven continue to bless, strengthen, and  
comfort you all during this time.*



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**Loretta Barnard Hanley** - July 06, 2015 at 08:55 AM

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“ Cuzco im going miss you so much i love u



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**kianna mosley** - July 05, 2015 at 04:26 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of McKinley L. Artis.



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July 04, 2015 at 05:25 PM