



Melvin Lee Jackson

August 17, 1947 - March 21, 2020

Melvin Lee Jackson was born on August 17, 1947 to the late Henderson and Rosa Lee Jackson. He, along with his sisters, were raised by God fearing parents in Norfolk County currently known as the Deep Creek section of Chesapeake, VA. He was the youngest of three children and sadly he was preceded in death by his older sisters: Joyce L. Pearis and Joan Tolliver-Morgan. They shared a beautiful bond that only death could break.

Melvin received his education in the Norfolk County School System, graduating in 1965 from Crestwood High School. He later attended college at Norfolk State University before enlisting in the United States Army. He proudly served his country from 1968 to 1972 with a high security clearance. After his honorable discharge from the Army, he was employed by Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT). After 37 years of dedicated service, Melvin retired in March 2014.

As a child Melvin attended Divine Baptist Church where he dedicated his life to Christ. He later joined First Baptist Church South Hill to continue his spiritual development.

Melvin met the love of his life Linda Tunstall on a blind date, it was love at first sight. After only five months of long-distance dating, he knew she was the one, and they were united in Holy Matrimony on November 30, 1991 in

Philadelphia.

Melvin was a football enthusiast and was a die-hard Redskins fan. As his health began to fail, he could be found lying in his bed cheering for his team. Although he had many health challenges, he remained up lifting and often displayed his signature contagious smile.

In his last days he continued to fight although his body grew tired, as if in his spirit he declared: For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. 2 Timothy 4:6-7

On March 21, 2020, Melvin hearken to God's voice, his eyes closed for the last time and a heart of gold stopped beating.

He leaves to cherish his memory: His loving and dedicated wife Linda Tunstall Jackson, Two daughters: Kimberly Jackson and Tameka Tunstall, two grandsons: Joseph Tunstall-Gainer and Timothy Tunstall-Reeves, a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces, great nephews, cousins and friends.

Cemetery Details

Albert G Horton Jr. Veterans Memorial Cemetery

5310 Milner's Road
Suffolk, VA

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **29**. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

MAR **30**. 1:00 PM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall

JN

“ To Sis Linda and family. May God keep you in perfect peace and may he comfort your souls daily. God bless you.
DEA. Dave and Rev. Joyce

Joyce Nyhaug - April 03, 2020 at 04:45 AM

TF

“ Terence Eason & family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Melvin Lee Jackson.



Terence Eason & family - March 30, 2020 at 08:35 AM

CB

“ Cassell Brabble sent a virtual gift in memory of Melvin Lee Jackson



Cassell Brabble - March 29, 2020 at 06:04 PM

CT

“ Colon & Carolyn Turner sent a virtual gift in memory of Melvin Lee Jackson



Colon & Carolyn Turner - March 29, 2020 at 06:01 PM

CT

“ *Colon & Carolyn Turner lit a candle in memory of Melvin Lee Jackson*



Colon & Carolyn Turner - March 29, 2020 at 05:09 PM

CB

“ *Cassell Brabble sent a virtual gift in memory of Melvin Lee Jackson*



Cassell Brabble - March 29, 2020 at 05:06 PM

KA

“ *My condolences to the family. You are in my prayers.*
Kelly Armon

Kelly Armon - March 29, 2020 at 05:02 PM

CT

“ *Colon And Carolyn Turner sent a virtual gift in memory of Melvin Lee Jackson*



Colon and Carolyn Turner - March 29, 2020 at 04:59 PM

CB

“ Cassell Brabble sent a virtual gift in memory of
Melvin Lee Jackson



Cassell Brabble - March 29, 2020 at 04:37 PM

DW

“ Dwayne & Donna Whitfield lit a candle in
memory of Melvin Lee Jackson



dwayne & donna whitfield - March 28, 2020 at 05:38 PM

VW

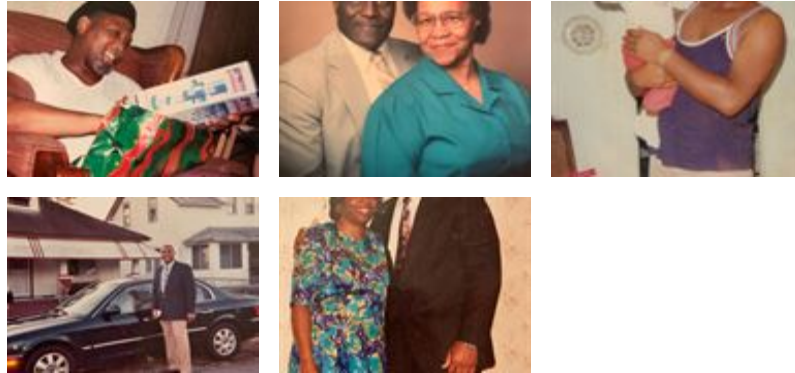
“ VIVIAN SPARROW WHITE lit a candle in
memory of Melvin Lee Jackson



VIVIAN SPARROW WHITE - March 27, 2020 at 10:48 PM



“ 38 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - March 27, 2020 at 07:07 PM

WB

“ *Welton Brabble sent a virtual gift in memory of Melvin Lee Jackson*



Welton Brabble - March 26, 2020 at 03:17 PM

AP

“ *In loving memory of a beloved uncle and treasured family member. Uncle Melvin will be missed and will always have a place in our hearts.*



Alvin Pearis, Anne Pearis and Alisa Petr - March 25, 2020 at 04:10 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Melvin Lee Jackson.*



March 25, 2020 at 03:57 PM



“ *Linda Jackson and family, when the Lord calls our loved ones home, he leaves a gift of memories in Exchange. My sincere and deepest. I am here if you want to talk. Carolyn Wilson, Philadelphia, PA*

Carolyn wilson - March 24, 2020 at 09:40 PM



“ *Kirsten, Craig, Pearis, Paul, and Alvin, Sr. purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Melvin Lee Jackson.*



Kirsten, Craig, Pearis, Paul, and Alvin, Sr. - March 24, 2020 at 06:08 PM



“ *Hilda Cassell Cuffee lit a candle in memory of Melvin Lee Jackson*



Hilda Cassell Cuffee - March 24, 2020 at 02:12 PM

AJ

“ My deepest sympathy to Linda and the family. I will continue to keep you in prayer.

Love-
Amanda Jennings and family

Amanda Jennings - March 24, 2020 at 12:09 PM

VP

“ So sorry to hear about Melvin. Linda ,you and the family are in my Prayers . Praying God will give you the strength to get through this journey . Love y'all.



Vicky Porter - March 23, 2020 at 11:41 PM

VB

“ Our deepest sympathy to his wife and Family during this difficult time. We were next door neighbors to the Jackson's many years ago!

Edna W Dailey
Verna Walton Bowden
Pooler GA

Verna Bowden - March 23, 2020 at 03:33 PM

NJ

To the Jackson family - earth has no sorry that heaven can not heal. We are keeping you in prayer.

Naomi Johnson and Linda Weaver
Chesapeake VA

Naomi Johnson - March 27, 2020 at 07:28 PM

RS

Our condolences in the passing of your loving husband Linda. I'm praying for the entire family members now and always. You definitely was a dedicated companion wife and friend till God called him to rest Love you si much and here in any capacity for y'all. ❤️

Ray and Alice Malone sr - March 28, 2020 at 06:04 PM