



## Willie L. Bratcher

September 20, 1947 - July 27, 2009

Chesapeake - Willie Lee Bratcher, 61, of the 3300 block of Stilworken Drive, was called home to be with the Lord on Monday, July 27, 2009. He was born in Dunn, North Carolina. Willie retired from Sentara Virginia Beach General where he worked in the environmental services department for 34 years.

Willie leaves to cherish his memories a loving wife, Viola; three daughters, Brenda Bratcher-Wimberly, Cynthia Bratcher-Riddick, and Monica Bratcher; and a son, John Richard Ransom. Also left to cherish his memories are three sisters; Jennie Mae Gainey, Donna J. Sherrell and Ernestine Matthis; a brother, Jimmy McNeil, seven grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

Viewing will be held on Sunday, August 2 from 4 – 7 pm at J. T. Fisher Funeral Services, 1080 N George Washington Hwy., Chesapeake. A life celebration service will be held 11 am on Monday August 3, 2009 at Zion Bethel United Church of Christ, 1617 Des Moines Avenue, Portsmouth with Dr. D.A. Peace officiating.

Burial will be in Carver Memorial Cemetery, Suffolk. The family has entrusted J. T. Fisher Funeral Services to handle the final care arrangements.

Condolences can be offered to the family at [www.jtfisherfuneralservices.com](http://www.jtfisherfuneralservices.com)

# Previous Events

## Service

AUG 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

Zion Bethel United Church of Christ  
1617 Des Moines Avenue  
Portsmouth, VA

# Tribute Wall



“ J.T. Fisher Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Willie L. Bratcher



J. T. Fisher Funeral Services - July 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ Mr. was always nice and pleasant to my coworkers and me. Our hearts go out to the Family, and you will be in our thoughts and prayers always.##imported-begin##Felecia Golden-Thomas##imported-end##

August 03, 2009 at 10:18 AM



“ Monica, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers go out to you and the family.##imported-begin##Kannesha Thomas##imported-end##

August 03, 2009 at 09:20 AM



“ YOU ALL ARE IN MY HEARTS AND WILL CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR YOU ALL. TEENA.##imported-begin##MS TEENA##imported-end##

August 02, 2009 at 08:01 PM



“ Words can't console this loss, but know that Willie is walking with God in a place without pain & suffering & watching over his family as an eternal guide.

*I pray that each of you will receive the companionship of the Comforter as you adjust to Willie's absence. May peace fill your soul as you look forward to a joyous reunion with Willie in the Lord's due time.*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you and yours. Noelle##imported-begin##Noelle Gauthier; SVBGH, Human Resources##imported-end##*

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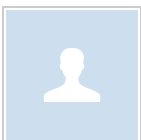
August 01, 2009 at 07:08 PM



“ Sending love for life. Will always keep you and the family in my heart. Be strong. God has him now. Dad is now flying with wings cause he earn them.##imported-begin##Aunt Ann##imported-end##

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July 31, 2009 at 02:34 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Viola and your family.##imported-begin##Mr. & Mrs. William Hammock (April)##imported-end##

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July 31, 2009 at 11:18 AM



“ To my siter-in-law, Viola and my neices; Brenda, Cindy, and Monica; and my nephews just know that Vince and I will be here for you anytime day or night all you have to do is call. As the song say, "I know somehow, I know someway, we're going to make it. No matter what the test, whatever comes our way we're going to make it. With Jesus on our side..."

*With all my love,*

*Aunt Karen###imported-begin##Karen E. Ransom###imported-end##*

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July 31, 2009 at 10:59 AM



“ God sent my father some angels to watch over him as he was preparing to call him home. Be happy that my father is no longer suffering, even though, we love him and miss him here on earth; Our Heavenly Father Loves Him And Needed Him More. I pray that every one finds peace in knowing that my earthly confessed to my heavenly father and that he is alright now!!! Thank you to everyone who prayed, visited or did some act of kindness on behalf of the family. We truly do appreciate you!!!

*Cynthia Bratcher-Riddick###imported-begin##Cynthia Bratcher-Riddick###imported-end##*

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July 31, 2009 at 09:56 AM