



## Mr. James Adolphus Watt, IV

June 13, 1956 - May 22, 2016

Celebrating The Life Of James Adolphus Watt, IV:

On May 22, 2016 our heavenly Father called to rest our beloved son, brother, father, uncle, cousin and friend, James Adolphus Watt, IV. Affectionately known as Jimi, he was the younger of two children born to James and Barbara Watt on June 13, 1956 in Detroit, Michigan.

At an early age, Jimi accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior. He attended the Detroit Public School System graduating from Henry Ford High School and matriculating to Michigan State University. Jimi was employed with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Detroit Edison. In 1990, Jimi married Shirley Hensley and to this union one child was born, Jessica.

Jimi was well known for his love of animals, his melodic singing voice and his infectious personality. Any room that Jimi was in was full of laughter. He also had exceptional oratory skills. At a young age he traveled around the metropolitan Detroit area performing Martin Luther King, Jr.'s, I Have a Dream speech. He sang at family weddings and was often the featured singer accompanying bands at venues throughout the Detroit area. He touched the hearts of many with his signature song, Larry Graham's One in Million You. Jimi was multi-talented and devoted to his family—a loving son, brother, uncle, cousin, father and grandfather. He fondly referred to his three grandchildren as “his babies” and he had a special relationship with each one.



# Tribute Wall

Jl

“ I love and miss you daddy no matter how long it’s been. I wish you were here with me and my babies, we need you.

Jessica Ishmeal - December 19, 2025 at 09:34 PM



“ Mr. James Adolphus Watt, IV

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM

TS

“ Tony Strickland sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James Adolphus Watt, IV



tony strickland - May 31, 2016 at 07:37 AM

YV

“ Mrs Watt, June and family. My heart is saddened to hear of Jimmys passing. We played together as neighbors and classmates at Sampson Elementary. He was my first boyfriend.... Fond memories shall I cherish. Only God in His infinite wisdom knows our beginning and our end. May Jimmy rest in peace and may his memories comfort you for years to come.  
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Yvette - May 30, 2016 at 02:10 PM

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Yvette - May 30, 2016 at 02:09 PM

JD

“ The Dandridge's send our condolences to the family of "Jimmy".From Sampson Elementary to Michigan State. RIP brother.  
Jerome A. Dandridge

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Jerome A. Dandridge - May 26, 2016 at 10:07 AM

EA

“ Jimmy was by far the one of the kindness people I knew. He always had a smile on his face even if things were not going that good. He always made sure to tell his friends & family how much he loved them with that big beautiful smile on his face. He always had room in his heart for the animals without a home that lived around him. Jimmy truly was one of a kind and beautiful person. I offer My deepest condolences to his Mother, Daughter, Cousins, Grandchildren, his many many friends, & all of his Kin. Love ya Jimmy be sure to check in & watch down on us. XOXOXO



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Erin Anderson - May 26, 2016 at 03:18 AM