



Mr. James L. La'Dell McCall

August 28, 1979 - January 20, 2010

No obituary found for this tribute.

Previous Events

Visitation

Friday, Jan. **29**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

Saturday, Jan. **30**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. James L. La'Dell McCall*

January 21, 2023 at 09:34 PM



“ *Although no words can really help to ease the loss you bear, just know that you are very close in every thought and prayer. You have my deepest sympathies on the death of your father.*

Love, Chaneil Johnson & Family##imported-begin##Chaneil Toya Ali Johnson##imported-end##

February 02, 2010 at 09:22 PM



“ *Thanks for the good times the jokes. Put in a word for me. I will miss you my friend.##imported-begin##Norman Clement##imported-end##*

February 01, 2010 at 12:04 PM



“ To the McCall Family: Please accept my heartfelt condolences on the death of your beloved son, James. Death, at any age, is an enemy of mankind, but especially when one is so young and vibrant because it robs the family of it's best and leaves them devastated! A faithful servant of God once asked: "If an able-bodied man dies can he live again? (Job 14:14,15) All through the Bible the Scriptures give a resounding "YES"! Our Loving Creator has promised that he will destroy death forever (1Cor.15:26). He has also promised that the time is coming, very soon, when He will wipe out every tear from our eyes and DEATH will be no more (Revelation 21:4) Those sleeping in death in the graves (including James), will hear his voice and come out...(John 5:28,29) May you take comfort in God's Word, the Bible, and rest assured that the God of Truth, will fulfill all that he has promised (Titus 1:2) My deepest sympathy to you.###imported-begin###joyce jones###imported-end##

February 01, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ To the McCall family and friends, my thoughts, prayers and condolences are with you during this difficult time. James you were an amazing person. During our time at Hampton, you always were a true friend and gentleman. I have so many great memories of you. While my heart breaks knowing that you are no longer here with us; its also filled with joy knowing that you are safe in His arms. You will be incredibly missed by everyone your life touched. Rest in peace my friend!###imported-begin###Erika Mason###imported-end##

January 31, 2010 at 09:14 PM



“ Dr. McCall,
You have our deepest regrets, but we know that your loved one has gone home now and we celebrate that. We are here for you in every way we can. The one thing that is for certain and that God is with you every step of the way!
Praise the name of the Lord !
The Stokes Family##imported-begin##Sherman and Alice Stokes##imported-end##

January 30, 2010 at 10:08 AM



“ You are in my prayers for the strength & peace that only God can provide to help you through these most challenging days.
Hebrews 11:1 "Faith is the assured expectation of things hoped for, the evident demonstration of realities though not beheld". Jehovah promises a resurrection on a paradise earth. Until His promises become a reality,(and they will) may Jehovah wrap you and your family in his arms of comfort and peace.
Acts 24:15, Psalm 37:39; Proverbs 3:5-7, Isaiah 26:19.##imported-begin##Liz##imported-end##

January 29, 2010 at 08:58 PM



“ Lady Power, We are sorry to her of your lose of such a precious part of your life. It is only by the power of God that you can stand in a time such as this; therefore I encourage you to stand on His promises.

First Lady Tara and I will keep you in our prayers asking the Lord reach where no man can, heal like none other, bind when it seems impossible and comfort as only He can.

Continue with the great expectations that the Lord will heal, deliver and never leave us. Blessings to you and the family##imported-begin##James Minnick, Pastor##imported-end##

January 29, 2010 at 08:26 PM



“ Elder McCall and Mary,

I am deeply sorry for your loss. But, I thank God for the faith and wisdom with which He has blessed both of you. It is evident in the strength that you have displayed. When we should be encouraging you, your faith is instead an encouragement to us and a light for those who live in darkness, fearing death because they do not have the hope of eternal life. And, I rejoice for the 31 years that God did give you with your son and brother and the joy and pride I am sure he brought to you.##imported-begin##Diane Parker##imported-end##

January 29, 2010 at 07:39 PM



“ JAMES

How do i even start to express how sad i am to lose you. You are my best friend and that will never change words dont expresss the love i had for you and the level of respect we had for each other and know that i will never get to talk, email and see you again is like a knife in the back and i e always charish our friendship...Man dont want to believe you are gone andyou will always be in my heart....love you best friend forever###imported-begin##Sheika Gray###imported-end##

January 29, 2010 at 02:12 PM



“ *Everyone who worked with James in Florida on the good causes to which he was devoted will miss his larger-than-life presence which helped make even the most difficult tasks seem like fun. James clearly showed that even the most serious, committed activists need to be able to "laugh" at themselves. He will be missed!###imported-begin##Robert Schaeffer###imported-end##*

January 29, 2010 at 12:34 PM



“ *James- You are truly an original. No one in this world will ever bring to us what you have brought. I will miss your Smile and your laugh, but even more just your wonderful presence.I am saddened by the loss of you here with us, but am comforted by the idea that you are watching over us and keeping us all in line! Thank you for being you and being wonderful. I love you!###imported-begin##Amy Busefink###imported-end##*

January 29, 2010 at 10:47 AM



“ My prayer for you is very simple. May the hug, the embrace that you offered me this morning be returned to you 40 fold,60 fold and 100 fold May you know that sudden, unexpected care of the Lord. That's what you offered me May you know that care of yourself deep within especially on Saturday as the spanish say Go with God(vaga con dios)

*your brother in Christ Father Paul###imported-begin###Father Paul
###imported-end###*

January 29, 2010 at 10:13 AM



“ I am sure we left the dining room table last night like the disciples in Emmanus at the table fellowship where Jesus made himself known in the breaking of bread. "Were not our herats burning withinn us? God was there! What a remarkable mother you have been-wise, inwardly-ordered,protecting,faithful and loving. No wonder James would want to be a bodyguard for you. I also see you in the pattern of Mary, mother of Jesus.God regarded her lowliness, but he who was mighty did great things for her. He was praised by her as the one who "Shows mercy on those who in every generationfear him" May his mercies be new for you every morning she had to bury her own(only)son,like you-she is a mother of sorrows a sisterhood,a fellowship. May you, like her, come to know him more deeply in the fellowshipof his sufferings and in the power of his resurrection. (Phil 3:10) In Christ,Pastor Ron###imported-begin###Pastor Ron###imported-end###

January 29, 2010 at 09:49 AM



“ To Dr. Linda McCall and family,our prayers are with you through these times. Know that God takes care of his own.He will never leave you nor forsake.##imported-begin##Conrad & Stella Jeffries##imported-end##

January 29, 2010 at 09:31 AM



“ Dearest, Sister
The way we love our children is the closet we ever come in this world to understanding how our beautiful Jesus loves us. Please know that you are cradled in his arms,his precious daughter. And please know that this good and holy man who you birthed and raised, please know that he too is with our Lord. My heart breaks with yours,but as women of faith we know,we know, that your tears are only for a while. God's blessings for courage and strength
Bev##imported-begin##Beverly##imported-end##

January 29, 2010 at 09:02 AM



“ "HE GOD OF PEACE, WHO HAST TAUGHT US THAT IN RETURNING AND REST WE SHALL BE SAVED IN QUIETNESS AND CONFIDENCE SHALL BE OUR STRENGTH: BY THE MIGHT OF THY SPIRIT LIFT US AND YOUR SERVANT LINDA, WE PRAY THEE, TO THY PRESENCE WHERE SHE MAY BE STILL AND KNOW THAT THOU ART GOD; THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD..AMEN'##imported-begin##PASTOR NORA##imported-end##

January 29, 2010 at 08:22 AM



“ LINDA,

"OUR RTS ARE FULL OF PRAYERS FOR YOU AND THE FAMILY"##imported-begin##PASTOR CECELIA GREENBARR##imported-end##

January 29, 2010 at 08:06 AM



“ LINDA,

I KNOW THAT DEATH BRINGS GRIEF, HOWEVER, WE ARE TOLD IN IS. 53:\$ THAT JESUS HATH, HE HAS BORNE OUR GRIEF, AND CARRIED OUR SORROW. SO MY SISTER ALLOW JESUS TO MANIFEST HIMSELF IN YOUR SORROW! I KNOW THE PAIN OF LOOSING A SON BECAUSE I TOO HAVE FELT THE PAIN. YOU ARE A MIGHTY WOMAN OF GOD! YOUR BROTHER IN CHRIST

PASTOR DAVID##imported-begin##PASTOR D ROBESON##imported-end##

January 29, 2010 at 08:03 AM



“ DEAR LINDA
I ASK ALMIGHTY GOD TO HOLD YOU IN HIS HANDS THROUGH ALL YOUR PAIN. THE FOLLOWING IS TAKEN FROM THE FRANCISCAN BLESSING. LOVE DON 'MAY THE LORD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU MAY HE TURN HIS FACE ON YOU AND GIVE YOU HIS PEACE, AND HIS JOY, HIS LOVE, HIS PROTECTION, MAY HE BE WITH YOU NOW AT THIS HOUR AND EVERY MOMENT OF YOUR LIFE; AT THE MOMENT WHEN YOU CLOSE YOUR EYES IN ORDER TO OPEN THEM TO HIM TO HIS GLORY MAY HE BE WITH YOU, MAY HE BLESS YOU; IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, THE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, AMEN'###imported-begin###DON STONE###imported-end###

January 29, 2010 at 07:54 AM



“ Elder Linda McCall & Sister Mary Cooperwood,

May God continue to give you the peace that passes all understanding during this difficult time of transition. Your faith and the expressions of love from family and friends will fill the void of loss. James L. McCall has seized the everlasting prize and is occupying his mansion!!!

The Greater Ebenezer Deacon Ministry & Family###imported-begin###Deacon Dorian Tyree###imported-end###

January 28, 2010 at 11:10 PM



“ Linda,

While the loss of a loved one is never easy, even when anticipated, it is most certainly the hardest when they are taken from us too soon. Your recent loss of your son who has left us at such a youthful age is certainly in the category of those hard losses for which there is so painful a reminder of what might have been.

We offer our sincere condolence and deepest sympathy on your loss. May the outpouring of sympathy, the kind acts of friends and strangers and the comfort in knowing that your loss is felt by many, help you through this difficult time.

I ask for God's blessings on you and your wonderful family. May you find the courage and strength to move forward in peace and confidence and in knowing that his was a life well-lived.

*Your Humble Servant in Christ,
Rudy Willis Pastor/Teacher##imported-begin##Pastor Rudy
Willis##imported-end##*

January 28, 2010 at 06:11 PM



“ **WHISPER JESUS**

*Today I got a burden,
And I felt that I should pray,
For God's spirit seemed to tell me,
That you were having a bad day.*

*I don't know just what that problem is,
But I sure do know the cure,
And if you'll only let Him,
God will keep you safe and secure.*

*In life there's always problems,
Cropping up to spoil our day,
But my friend, you know the answer,
All you have to do, is "PRAY".*

*If you still feel you're defeated,
And you want to run and hide,
Just reach out, and I'll be there,
Standing right there by your side.*

*So remember-- WHISPER JESUS,
For He's just a prayer away,
He's so close that you can touch Him,
All you have to do, is "pray".##imported-begin##ida
vance##imported-end##*

January 28, 2010 at 06:00 PM



“ James, I am still not prepared to say goodbye and I can not convince myself this is real. It may be selfish of me but I want you here to still see your smile and hear you laugh. You were a true angel that walked the earth and now you have returned home. Thank you for the work you have done for us. You have had an impact on so many lives and we will continue to keep you in our hearts. I will love you forever.##imported-begin##Raven A. Phillips##imported-end##

January 28, 2010 at 04:13 PM



“ To the McCall family, my thoughts and prayers are with you in this difficult time. I just want to say that Bud will always be missed but never forgotten. I can say that he has given me some fun memories throughout my life. He was always a brother on and off the field. I can talk to him about anything and he was always there. We all know that you are at a better place now and you are with the one father GOD. You will always be a brother from another mother in my eyes. I never got a chance to say how much I love you bro. I appreciate the season and reason you were in my life. You were indeed a gift from GOD. I guess heaven is going to be alot funnier now because you always had the ability to make everyone laugh and feel good. Thanks Bud! Rest in Peace##imported-begin##Jason Scott##imported-end##

January 28, 2010 at 03:51 PM



“ Deepest condolences from a fellow Hamptonian.
Debra DeBose Whiting
Class of 1976##imported-begin##Debra DeBose Whiting##imported-end##

January 28, 2010 at 01:06 PM



“ I AM TRULY SPEECHLESS AND THERE IS SO MUCH I WANT TO SAY BUT I JUST CAN'T RIGHT NOW....I FEEL IT IN MY HEART THAT U ARE AN ANGEL NOW..GOOD PPL DONT DIE THEY JUST TRANSITION TO A HIGHER LEVEL!##imported-begin##AREINA PLOWDEN##imported-end##

January 28, 2010 at 12:07 PM



“ I love you James, you will be greatly missed. That big smile of yours will be forever etched in my mind. I have watched you grow into a handsome achieving young man. Rest in peace and one day we will all meet again in God's kingdom. Your big sister Paulette.##imported-begin##PAULETTE COVINGTON##imported-end##

January 28, 2010 at 11:24 AM



“ James,
When you came into a room your smile was so big, so bright and so contagious. People could not help but smile back. I know you are still shining upon all the lives you have impacted. With much love you will be remembered by the time you spent gracing us with your smiles, laughter and words.##imported-begin##Lan Pham##imported-end##

January 28, 2010 at 11:22 AM



“Members and staff at ACORN and Project Vote were saddened by the untimely loss of James McCall, who played a leadership role in an historic voter registration drive which helped bring hundreds of thousands of African American, Latino, and low income voters to the polls in 2008.

McCall, from of Detroit, Michigan, suffered a stroke around the holiday season and passed away on January 20th.

In 2007 James McCall started came to work for ACORN a Political Organizer in Detroit, Michigan where he managed a growing staff that conducted a large scale voter registration program to encourage voter participation among young, low income and minority citizens.

In 2008 he moved to Florida to oversee a training program for voter registration organizers. He was then promoted to become ACORN's Southern Florida Field Director. As Election Day, 2008 approached, he organized a voting rights program in Florida to assure that eligible citizens from all walks of life were be able to vote have their votes counted.

“He was rather young for all of this, but he was a tremendous force for progressive change,” said Stephanie Porta, who worked with McCall as Florida ACORN Head Organizer. “He really touched everyone he knew.”

Bertha Lewis, ACORN's CEO and Chief Organizer said: “The life of James McCall reminds us all of the work that has to be done for poor people in this country; right now we need warriors for justice like him more than ever.”##imported-begin##ACCORN Project Vote-Florida##imported-end##

January 27, 2010 at 11:48 PM



“ JUST REMEMBERING JAMES:

Hampton Linemen Earn Postseason Honors

By MARTY O'BRIEN Daily Press | January 23, 2002

Hampton University linemen James McCall and Greg Scott have been selected to the Sheridan Broadcasting Network 2001 Black College All-American Football Team. McCall, a 6-foot-5, 310-pound senior tackle from Detroit, was selected on the offensive line. Scott, a 6-5 senior defensive end from Courtland, was picked to the defensive line. McCall, who started 46 consecutive games at Hampton, gave credit for his honor to Pirates offensive line coach Terry Beauford, a former NFL offensive lineman with the San Diego Chargers and Green Bay Packers.##imported-begin##Terry Beauford##imported-end##

January 27, 2010 at 10:38 PM



“ *Elder McCall and Mary Cooperwood,*

We can't know why some things happen... but we know that love and beautiful memories outlast the pain of grief. We also know that there's a place inside your hearts where love lives always and where nothing beautiful can ever be forgotten. May the beautiful spirit of James always give you peace. God will keep you in perfect peace. Your GE family loves you. The Gray Family##imported-begin##Krystal and Beverly Gray##imported-end##

January 27, 2010 at 09:08 PM



“ To the McCall Family,

God is with you and so are the prayers of your friends. James came into this world for such a short season but his kind words, deeds and spirit made it a better place. I was blessed to be his high school principal. May your memories surround you now and bring you lasting peace. Beverly Gray###imported-begin###Dr. Beverly Gray###imported-end##

January 27, 2010 at 08:56 PM



“ Linda,

I am sorry to hear of the loss of your son but in reading the wonderful testimony above, you and I know he is in a better place and left this world as a child of God. You and your family will be lifted up in our prayers and if there is anything I can do, please let me know. Love you Stacy###imported-begin###Stacy Wimbley###imported-end##

January 27, 2010 at 07:28 PM



“ James, I know that you are at home with our Heavenly Father but I wish you were hear with us. Even though I know you are now in perdec form, the flesh in me wants to snatch you back. I hope you know how much you mean to me, I never really thought about it until now. I will make sure our best friend Hardy stays strong, and I will continue to keep you in my heart. Don't know if I ever told you but you were the real life example of the qualities that I want in a husband, thanks for showing me.

To James' mother and family I pray that the Comforter comes to you this hour and give you all the love, power and strength you need.

Through experience, I promise that God will never leave you nor forsake. I will keep you all in my prayers. Thank you for blessing my life with a one of a kind being.##imported-begin##Dawn

Billups##imported-end##

January 27, 2010 at 03:20 PM



“ James I truely love you with all my heart. God sent me a gift as your coach. I know you are in a better place...I will remember you forever.

Visions of Collisions (Offensive Line)##imported-begin##Coach
Terry Beauford##imported-end##

January 27, 2010 at 03:12 PM



“ Dear friend,

Its crazy how you can spend a little amount of time with someone and they instantly leave a impact on your life. I know when I met you, that you were a special person. For the longest time I wondered if it was just me that lookd at you as a brother or inspiration or a role model, maybe even a hero. I didnt know you long but you did leave a lasting impression on my life and everyone else that blessed enough to spend atleast 5 minutes with you. you were truly a blessing from god to the people that came in contact with you. You will truly be missed and we wont let your hard work go in vein. Love you bro and we shall meet again!! RIP-##imported-begin##Marcus Thompson##imported-end##

January 27, 2010 at 12:33 PM



“ Fats,

I will never forget you! You will forever stay with me. It was truly an honor to have known you and to have played with you. Your sense of humor and your personality will always be how I remember you. You will truly be missed "big man"! My heart goes out to your family and friends, we all are going to miss our "Buddy"!##imported-begin##Larry Vaughn##imported-end##

January 27, 2010 at 12:16 PM



“ James, thank you for allowing me to be a part of your life. You were one of the first people i met at HU in 97' and remained a true friend to this day. I cosign everything said in the messages before me. We will see each other again..Love you man##imported-begin##Delvin Smith##imported-end##

January 27, 2010 at 09:37 AM



“ Dearest Linda, my thoughts, prayers and condolences pour out to you and your family.

February 11 will mark two years since Keyon's transition. Although the past two years have been a difficult journey, I do thank God and praise Him for the time He blessed me with my son. I rejoice in knowing Keyon died a Christian, and that I will see him again. My heart is heavy learning of James' transition; however, I also rejoice knowing that he died a Christian and that you too will be reunited with your son. What helped me then and continues to help me today, is simply calling the name of Jesus, that magnificent name. Calling the name of Jesus helped me to rest, helped me during the viewing and homegoing celebration, and it helps me today when I find the journey getting rough. People still ask how I was able to console others during that time. I only know one answer...Jesus.

Linda, I know this time is difficult. Please know that your grief is personal...cry if you feel like crying; scream if you feel like screaming. If you want to talk with someone who has been in your shoes, please do not hesitate to call me at anytime.

I am praying for you and your family. However, if there is ANYTHING else that I can do to ease your burden, please do not hesitate to call or email me.

Love Always,

Deb##imported-begin##Deborah Edwards##imported-end##

January 27, 2010 at 05:51 AM



“ I've got to tell you, Fats was one of those people in life that you will never forget. Brother, your memory will live on in this earth realm. I know exactly where you are and I will see you again.

Stay Up###imported-begin##Simon B. Flake###imported-end##

January 26, 2010 at 07:21 PM



“ James, I miss you! You're my brother for all eternity. I know you are in a better place...i'll see you when i get there...

Love you...###imported-begin##Stanley Aughtry###imported-end##

January 26, 2010 at 09:20 AM



“ I would like to express my condolences for the loss of James McCall "FATS", a friend and teammate. Its hard to believe that one of the frat has departed. "FATS", a true gentleman with a kind heart who had the ability to make everyone smile. You will be missed Bro! May the Lord keep the Family through this tough grieving period.

-Vince

FL###imported-begin##Vincent Lewis###imported-end##

January 25, 2010 at 08:16 PM



“ My condolences to the family as the word just came to me of your loss. James, better know as "Big Dog" will always be with us. Thank you for your time you graced our lives. My Detroit Playa, Rest In Peace.###imported-begin##Jonathan###imported-end##

January 25, 2010 at 08:51 AM



“ MY PRAYERS ARE CONTINUED FOR THE FAMILY.I AM SURE
GOD WILL COMFORT AND KEEP YOU IN THIS TIME OF
GRIEF.##imported-begin##Pete Owen##imported-end##

January 24, 2010 at 07:36 PM