



James Edward Coles

February 14, 1957 - November 17, 2020

James Edward Coles was born February 14, 1957 in Minneapolis, Minnesota and passed away peacefully in his sleep on November 17, 2020 at home in Crystal. James was preceded in death by his parents Thomas Melvin and Jerusha Patricia (Bellfield) Coles. James grew up in north Minneapolis and he was proud to call the North Side his home for most of his life. He attended John Hay and Willard elementary schools, Lincoln junior high and North High School.

James was a loving father to five children and eight grandchildren. He also was a loving and protective big brother to his sister. James loved spending time with his family and friends while fishing, traveling, barbecuing and eating out at restaurants. Most of all, his favorite thing to do was to share or hear stories about his grandchildren.

James had a very easy-going personality and many of his friends called him Coles or Big Coles. He was a gentle giant and he loved kids and they loved being around him too. He was a "Uncle" to many. James will be remembered for his caring soul, kind heart and adventurous spirit.

Survived by his daughters Dontelle (Thomas) Hosley, Ebony Coles (Reggie Nabors) and Essence Coles; sons Kordell Franklin and Hakeem Coles; sister Colleen Coles Woods (James), eight grandchildren and a host of nephews, nieces and devoted friends. A public visitation only will be held from 2-3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, 2020 at Estes Funeral Chapel and Cremations Services, 2201 Plymouth Av. N., Mpls. MN. estesfuneralchapel.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 5. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Estes Funeral Chapel
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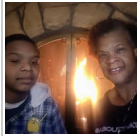
Tribute Wall

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Jannie A Scott - December 14, 2020 at 03:17 PM



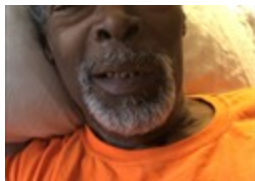
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Colleen Coles - December 09, 2020 at 10:25 AM

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Paula Haywood - December 05, 2020 at 02:47 PM

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James, special love to you from your next door neighbor family the Williams. Thank you for all the memories and fun times. You will be missed. Special love sent out to all who knew and loved you!! Blessings to Colleen, your daughters, sons and grand's!!!

Paula Haywood - December 05, 2020 at 02:53 PM

AW

“ Jimmy and I have been friends since we were 3 years old - We have stayed close and communicated often - even after I had moved to Des Moines and Omaha Nebraska. Jimmy had visited me at both homes. He was and always be my brother who I loved and respected. May he Rest In Peace and sleep with the Gods.

Andrew Williams
Omaha Nebraska

andrew williams - December 05, 2020 at 02:05 PM

DB

“ Saying goodbye to someone we love is heartbreaking. May you find comfort in all the special memories shared with Jimmy

“ Call it a clan, call it a network, call it a tribe, call it a family. Whatever you call it, whoever you are, you need one.” ~Jane Howard

Decendents of Florence/Lucian Bellfield - December 05, 2020 at 09:53 AM

EF

“ To the Coles Family - We mourn with you at the loss of your father and brother. Losing a parent and a sibling is one of the hardest things to go through in life. There's a fear of protection being lost. Know this that his protection and love will always be with you. Cousin Jimmy/Brother, we will miss your laughs, love stories and wisdom you shared. May the peace of God continue to reign and rule in all of our lives. With love, Aunt Charlene and family (John, Aaron, Ted, Theresa deceased), Tim, Christine and their families)



Ellis / Charlene Bellfield & Family - December 05, 2020 at 02:15 AM

SJ

“ Rest easy my brother. You will be well missed.
I've been reminiscing of the good old times we shared. Colleen we
love you and James. You have our sincere condolences and
prayers for strength to you and family. God-bless you
ST & Joan

Steven Jackson - December 05, 2020 at 12:13 AM

TB

“ Tonya Bellfield lit a candle in memory of
James Edward Coles



Tonya Bellfield - December 04, 2020 at 10:20 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of
James Edward Coles.



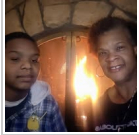
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WF

“ Warrens: Theresa, Desiree, Kristina & Ron
families purchased the Serene Retreat for the
family of James Edward Coles.



Warrens: Theresa, Desiree, Kristina & Ron families -
December 03, 2020 at 09:09 PM



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Colleen Coles - December 03, 2020 at 11:44 AM



“ Aaron & Pam Jackson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Edward Coles.



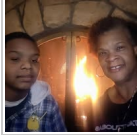
Aaron & Pam Jackson - December 03, 2020 at 10:35 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James Edward Coles.



December 02, 2020 at 02:40 PM



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Colleen Coles - December 01, 2020 at 02:45 PM



“ My deepest sympathy to Colleen & the Coles and Bellfield Families. We grew up together on Russell Avenue. My brother Ronnie and Jimmy were friends to the end, just like his Mom and mine. Rest easy Jimmy. You will be sorely missed.
Toni Huggar

Toni Huggar - November 30, 2020 at 10:55 PM



“ Colleen & Coles family, Jimmie being a neighborhood big brother was one of my big brothers too. I remember thinking "dang this guy is tall." He was an extraordinaire football player at North High. I remember thinking of all of the big brothers of my friends as big brothers to me. May you Rest Peacefully in Jesus' Arms! Yvonne Turner

Yvonne Turner - November 28, 2020 at 03:46 PM