

**Funeral Home Services
For**



Willie Louis James, Jr.
“June”

Sunrise
February 12, 1952

Sunset
October 20, 2013

Saturday, October 26, 2013
1:00 P.M.

Roy Mizell & Kurtz Worship Center
1228 Northwest 6th Court
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311

A Roy Mizell & Kurtz Funeral Home Service

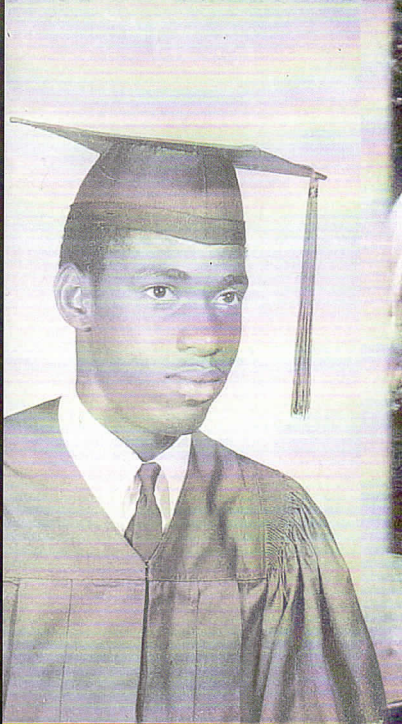
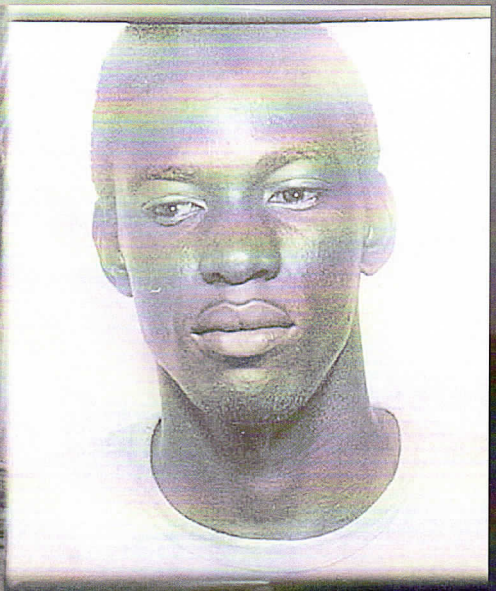
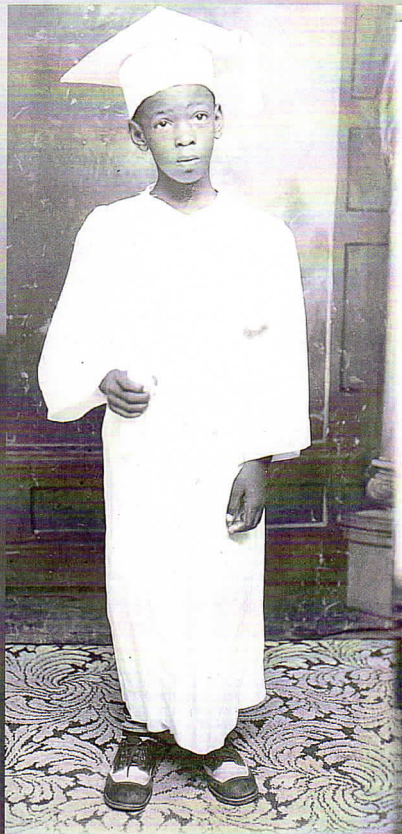
In Memory

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| Name: | Willie Louis James, Jr |
| Date of Birth: | February 12, 1952 |
| Place of Birth: | Ft. Lauderdale, Florida |
| Parents: | Thelma James and the late Willie James, Sr. |
| Education: | Dillard High School Class of 1970 |
| Occupation: | Life Guard and Chef |
| Religious Affiliation: | Baptist |
| Survivors: | |

A loving mother, Thelma James; three devoted sisters, Carlis Grant, Sharon James, and Cynthia Polk, all of Ft. Lauderdale, FL; one brother, Layvester James (Mirian) of Miami, FL; eight nieces, Pamela Green, Natoria Grant, Zakiyyah Polk, Stephanie Wilkerson, Marquita Polk, Jocelyn Philpot, Tierra Robinson, and Azaria Polk; six nephews, Donn Wilkerson, Layvester James, Jr., Andre James, Erik Philpot, Darius Wilkerson, and Michael Guillaume; four special cousins, William Plummer, Daryl Plummer, Tracy Barnswell, and Charles Paige; a very close friend, Phyllis Thorpe; and a host of other nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

Beliefs in Memory:

Willie James, Jr. was lovingly called "June" by his family. He was a selfless man always looking to help others. Willie was a free spirit, and he marched to the beat of his own drum. At an early age, Willie was quickly identified as a gifted swimmer. He was later given the nickname of "Moby" because of his exceptional swimming abilities. He was known in the community as one of the best swimmers from Ft. Lauderdale, FL. While attending Dillard High School, Willie mastered the art of cooking. Because of his talent as a swimmer, he received a full scholarship to pursue a degree in Culinary Arts at Florida A & M University. He later transferred to Texas A & M and continued his pursuits. While in college, Willie was recognized in Who's Who in Athletics in American Colleges and Universities for his swimming accomplishments. After college, Willie returned home to his first love, swimming. He became a Lifeguard at Sunland Park and Pompano Beach Pools. He also worked as a Beach Lifeguard in Dania, Florida at John Lloyd Beach State Park. His second passion was cooking. He later worked as a chef at several local restaurants in the Ft. Lauderdale area. He was also known as the family's grill master providing them with the best barbeque in South Florida. Willie was a giving individual who was always interested in helping others. His love was apparent in the way he supported his mother and eldest sister by assisting with their daily needs. Willie also helped many of his neighbors and friends in any way possible. He was fun loving but very protective of his loved ones. He had a special relationship with all of the children and young adults in his life. Willie was loved by many because of his caring and friendly personality. His family, neighbors, and friends will miss him dearly.



Order of Service

The Processional

The Praise & Worship

The Scripture

The Prayer

The Solo Urban Mystic

The Reflections (limit 2 minutes please)

Friend Philisenia Thorpe

Family Kenneth Roland

Joan Smith

The Obituary/Acknowledgments

The Solo Jaree Smith

The Words of Life ... Rev. James Darling

The Recessional

Unveiling Moments

... of a humble, giving, gentleman
from those who knew him best
were vigilant bedside guests.

lovely memories well up
in the heart
... to give comfort when it's
time to part.

This much is true
he suffers no more
as it is revealed
he is laid to rest.

Written by Sister Cynthia Polk
based on John 5:28,29; Rev 21:3,4

Pallbearers

Donn Wilkerson
Travis Paige

Charles Paige
Jarrett Paige

Erik Philpot

Floral Attendants

Dillard High School Class of 1970
Patterson and Oliphant Family

Acknowledgments

Deepest gratitude from the family is extended to all who found many ways to express love, friendship and sympathy during the illness and passing of our loved one, Willie James, Jr. With sincere hearts we say "Thank You" to all who have shared this moment with us. We appreciate all you have done to comfort and console us. We thank each of you and may God continue to shower His many blessings upon you.

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