



## Mr. James Douglas Barnes, Sr.

January 6, 1958 - September 20, 2017

James Douglas Barnes Sr. was born in Blytheville, Arkansas on January 6, 1958 to James Bowles and Mary Barnes, who preceded him in death. He moved to Florida where he met and married the love of his life, Debra on March 27, 1976. They became loving parents to six children (three boys and three girls) of whom their extended family affectionately referred to as the Brady bunch. James worked hard to make sure that his family was well provided for.

Despite his illness, James always maintained a positive attitude. His smile was infectious. There was always a place at the dinner table for the children in the neighborhood, and he extended himself unselfishly to help others.

James made the decision to dedicate his life to his God Jehovah and demonstrated it by getting baptized on October 11, 2008. He valued his relationship with Jehovah, his ministry, and the association of spiritual brothers and sisters.

James went to sleep in death on September 20, 2017. James was preceded in death by his 'big brother' Bruford Barnes and beloved daughter-in-law: Finetha Poole.

He is survived by his loving wife of forty-one years, Debra Denise Barnes;

three sons: Eric Poole Barnes (Chenani), Umatilla, Florida; Christopher Barnes (Lenora), Orlando, Florida; James Barnes Jr. (Tesica), Tavares, Florida; three daughters: Marie Parker (Anthony), Apopka, Florida; Kimberly James (Roderick), Apopka, Florida; Debra Chatman (Sheldry Jr.), Apopka, Florida; one brother: Milton Nelson, Spokane, Washington; three sisters: Angela Ware (Zeddie), Georgia; Neice Nelson, Orlando, Florida; Michelle Nelson, Apopka, Florida; thirty-six grandchildren; two great grandchildren; aunts, uncles, cousins, and spiritual friends.

# Cemetery Details

## Edgewood-Greenwood Cemetery ~ Apopka

141 South Edgewood Drive  
Apopka, FL 32703

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **29**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Zanders Memorial Chapel  
232 W. Michael Gladden Blvd.  
Apopka, FL 32703  
(407) 886-3388

## Service

SEP **30**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses  
597 North Thompson Road  
Apopka, FL 32712

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. James Douglas Barnes, Sr.*

October 22, 2023 at 05:49 PM



“ *Alesandria Fleming sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James Douglas Barnes, Sr.*



**Alesandria Fleming** - October 30, 2018 at 11:45 AM



“ *Because we loved, there will be tears.  
Because we laughed, there will be memories.  
Because they lived, there is still joy you all are  
in my prayers*



**Alicia Armstrong** - October 02, 2017 at 11:05 AM



“ *Cynthia Neil lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Douglas Barnes, Sr.*



**Cynthia Neil** - September 29, 2017 at 11:12 AM

JB

“ *Jeremy, Rebekah and Ariannah Barnes purchased the Adoration Casket Spray for the family of Mr. James Douglas Barnes, Sr..*



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**Jeremy, Rebekah and Ariannah Barnes** - September 28, 2017  
at 05:49 PM



“ *Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal God will give you strength and see you through this hold on and cherish your Memories Forever he will always be with you*

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**Rosa Brown** - September 27, 2017 at 07:29 PM



“ *Rosa Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Douglas Barnes, Sr.*



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**Rosa Brown** - September 27, 2017 at 07:28 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. James Douglas Barnes, Sr..*



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September 27, 2017 at 02:48 PM

CF

*“ I can't believe you are gone. You will always be missed. Your nephew Charles Foster.*



**Charles Foster** - September 27, 2017 at 07:48 AM

MB

*“ Remember to be there for each other. It's never easy loving a parent but keep their wonderful memories in your heart. God bless*

**Melanie Beckett** - September 26, 2017 at 06:17 PM

RS

*“ Randy & Laurie Stone lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Douglas Barnes, Sr.*



**Randy & Laurie Stone** - September 26, 2017 at 03:09 PM

RA

*So very sorry to hear about your husband's passing Debra. We will be praying for God's comfort and peace for you and your family during this difficult time.*

**Randy** - September 26, 2017 at 03:11 PM

CN

*My condolences and Prayers to you Debra, and Family.*

*From your classmate and friend : Cynthia Neil*

**Cynthia Neil** - September 29, 2017 at 11:11 AM

CB

“ I love you, you will always be my "superman". CHRIS

Christopher Barnes - September 25, 2017 at 07:44 PM

MB

I am praying for you and your family at this time. It is hard losing a love one. Take it one day at a time and trust God for the process.

Melanie Beckett - September 26, 2017 at 06:22 PM

SL

“ Sadie Lowman lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Douglas Barnes, Sr.



Sadie Lowman - September 24, 2017 at 04:18 PM

KB

“ I am missing you like crazy daddy. All I want to do is go to the house and you are there. Or call you answer "hey baby"...Kim



Kimberly Barnes - September 23, 2017 at 05:12 PM

MB

It will take time for your emotional healing. Trust and seek God for directions and strength on your new season in life.

Melanie Beckett - September 26, 2017 at 06:20 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. James Douglas Barnes, Sr..*



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September 23, 2017 at 05:05 PM