



Charles "Jab" Watkins

May 7, 1951 - March 8, 2020

Charles Edward Watkins, known to family and friends as “Jab”, was born May 7, 1951 to the late Converse and Grace Davis-Watkins in Johnson City, TN. Charles transitioned into his eternal home on March 8, 2020 at the James H. Quillen Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Johnson City, TN.

After graduating from Science Hill High School, Charles served in the US Air Force for several years and received an honorable discharge in 1974.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister Stella Lowery and brother B.C. Camp. He leaves to mourn his passing daughters LaKissha (Odarius) Williams and Brittany Burum; sisters Elizabeth (Mike) Crawford, Hattie (William) Cole, Patricia (Charles) Edwards, Bennie Mae (John) Brice; brothers Converse (Carrel) Watkins, James Watkins; grandchildren Za’Rian, Nyima and Malakai Williams, Briyah Burum; special friend Paul Rutledge, and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

The family will receive friends Monday, March 16, 2020 at Birchette Mortuary from 11 - 11:30 am, followed by services officiated by the Rev. Carl E. Moody, Jr. (Pastor of Mount Olive Baptist Church, Johnson City, TN). Interment will take place at Mountain Home National Cemetery immediately following the service.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **16**. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Birchette Mortuary & Cremation Service, Inc.
219 E Millard St
Johnson City, TN 37601
(423) 926-6013
mitchell@birchettemortuary.com
<https://birchettemortuary.com/>

Service

MAR **16**. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

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Interment

MAR **16**. 1:00 PM - 1:15 PM (ET)

Mountain Home National Cemetery
53 Memorial Ave
Mountain Home, TN 37684

Tribute Wall

DG

“Darlene Goodlett sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



Darlene Goodlett - April 12, 2020 at 04:37 PM

CR

“CLINTON&PAM ROLLINS lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



CLINTON&PAM ROLLINS - March 31, 2020 at 01:07 AM

FB

“Condolences to family and friends. May God grant you peace and comfort during this time of bereavement.

James & Frances Bass



Frances Bass - March 16, 2020 at 11:07 AM

IB

“Rest in peace my dear cousin. You are missed already. Love you. Cousin Iris



Iris Bradley - March 16, 2020 at 10:02 AM

JD

“ John Delaney lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



john delaney - March 16, 2020 at 12:06 AM

JL

“ Jackie. Leeper lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



Jackie. Leeper - March 15, 2020 at 10:17 AM

 Sylvia Young

“ Sylvia Young lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



Sylvia Young - March 15, 2020 at 01:18 AM

LJ

“ Louis Locke Jr lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



Louis Locke Jr - March 14, 2020 at 10:16 AM



“ *Linda Workman sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Linda Workman - March 13, 2020 at 08:53 PM



“ *Elaine Brady lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Elaine Brady - March 13, 2020 at 07:07 PM



“ *Keeping you all in prayer.*
Jervonda
Daughter of Alfrieda Watkins Bonner ~ grand daughter of JB Watkins & Queen Esther Camp Watkins

Jervonda Watkins - March 13, 2020 at 03:32 PM



“ *William H. Hill Jr. lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



William H. Hill Jr. - March 13, 2020 at 03:13 PM

BD

“ *Brenda Davis lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Brenda Davis - March 13, 2020 at 12:40 PM

LR

“ *Love Bennie, John and Robbin purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Charles "Jab" Watkins.*



Love Bennie, John and Robbin - March 13, 2020 at 08:55 AM

CB

“ *Carol Bradley lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Carol Bradley - March 13, 2020 at 06:47 AM

ML

“ *Mazie Love sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Mazie love - March 13, 2020 at 02:47 AM

RB

“ *May God continue to comfort you and give you piece... just trust Him*



Roxie Bailey - March 12, 2020 at 08:59 PM

TR

“ *Tiffany Ryans sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Tiffany Ryans - March 12, 2020 at 08:38 PM

VP

“ *Viola Patton lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Viola patton - March 12, 2020 at 03:48 PM

SW

“ *Steve - Susan Wagner lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Steve - Susan Wagner - March 12, 2020 at 02:39 PM

VS

“ *Ronald and Vanessa Stephens*



Vanessa Stephens - March 12, 2020 at 02:34 PM

GC

“ *Gail Charles lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Gail Charles - March 12, 2020 at 05:22 AM

JH

“ *Prayer and blessing to the Watkins Family. Our deepest condolences. Jerry & Valdred Hartsaw*

Jerry & Valdred Hartsaw - March 11, 2020 at 08:34 PM

SA

“ *Sandy.Sylvers@va.gov lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Sandy.Sylvers@va.gov - March 11, 2020 at 07:05 PM

KT

“ Keitha Thompson sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



Keitha Thompson - March 11, 2020 at 04:49 PM

WJ

“ Wilma Jenkins lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



Wilma Jenkins - March 11, 2020 at 03:34 PM

VR

“ Vanessa Robinson sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



Vanessa Robinson - March 11, 2020 at 12:28 PM

VR

My love and condolences to each of you.

Vanessa Robinson - March 11, 2020 at 12:29 PM

SD

“ Stanley And Donna Daniels lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



Stanley and Donna Daniels - March 10, 2020 at 08:55 PM

MA

“ RIP. Sorry for the families loss. He will be missed..God Bless



Margo - March 10, 2020 at 08:03 PM



“ Carolyn Fain lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



Carolyn Fain - March 10, 2020 at 04:52 PM

FF

“ Fred And Jackie Fields lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



Fred and Jackie Fields - March 10, 2020 at 11:01 AM

JC

“ *James & Brenda Charles*



James & Brenda Charles - March 10, 2020 at 10:39 AM

 Sylvia Young

“ *Sylvia Young sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Sylvia Young - March 10, 2020 at 10:05 AM

LB

“ *Lynn & Rayetta Bachman lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Lynn & Rayetta Bachman - March 10, 2020 at 08:38 AM

AS

“ *Andre Stevens lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Andre Stevens - March 10, 2020 at 08:10 AM

JW

“ *Janice Wells sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Janice Wells - March 09, 2020 at 11:21 PM

CB

“ *Charles BUFORD lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Charles BUFORD - March 09, 2020 at 10:18 PM

PS

“ *My condolences to Jabs family . My prayers are with you 🙏. Jab was a good friend and neighbor of mine we shared many laughs with neighbors. I light a candle for my friend . No more pain.*



Paulett (Paula) Thomas-Story ❤️

Paulett Story - March 09, 2020 at 09:41 PM

LO

*To the Watkins Family
You have our deepest sympathy may God continue to bless your family
we pray your strength.*

Lois Camp Oglesby & All the Camp Families in Gaffney SC.

Lois Camp Oglesby - March 14, 2020 at 09:58 PM

MR

“ *Condolences and Prayers for the family may
God keep you 🙏 in his care.*



Mary Rollins - March 09, 2020 at 09:32 PM

DH

“ *Praying for you all*



Doris Hampton - March 09, 2020 at 08:23 PM

GB

“ *G. L. & Trish Bristol sent a virtual gift in memory
of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



G. L. & Trish Bristol - March 09, 2020 at 08:13 PM

RH

“ *Renea Hall sent a virtual gift in memory of
Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Renea Hall - March 09, 2020 at 07:49 PM

JW

Thank you Renea

James Watkins - March 10, 2020 at 06:58 PM

LA

“ *Latoya Askew lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Latoya askew - March 09, 2020 at 06:01 PM

JW

Thank you Latoya

James Watkins - March 10, 2020 at 06:59 PM

GF

“ *Gary & Moricina Fain lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Gary & Moricina Fain - March 09, 2020 at 04:08 PM

JW

Thank Guys

James Watkins - March 10, 2020 at 07:00 PM

KM

“ *Kathy Mills sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Kathy Mills - March 09, 2020 at 03:28 PM

JW

Thanks Kathy. Love you

James Watkins - March 10, 2020 at 07:00 PM

DS

“ *Deborah Simmons-Grey lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Deborah Simmons-Grey - March 09, 2020 at 01:57 PM

AS

“ *Andre Stevens sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Andre Stevens - March 09, 2020 at 01:43 PM

VS

“ Vicki Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



Vicki Smith - March 09, 2020 at 01:42 PM

NG

“ Nancy Greenlee lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



Nancy Greenlee - March 09, 2020 at 01:01 PM

LW

“ Louise Williams lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



Louise Williams - March 09, 2020 at 12:18 PM

JL

“ Julia Letcher lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins



Julia Letcher - March 09, 2020 at 11:22 AM

AS

“ *Alan Sanderz lit a candle in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Alan Sanderz - March 09, 2020 at 10:32 AM

MD

“ *Melvin Drumgoole sent a virtual gift in memory of Charles "Jab" Watkins*



Melvin drumgoole - March 09, 2020 at 10:11 AM