Obituary

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou are with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Psalm 23:4

James Johnnie Sutton, Jr. was born on August 13, 1972, in Fort Polk, LA, to the proud parents of James and Maedell Sutton. James transitioned into eternal rest on October 18, 2022, at his home, in Columbia, South Carolina.

James *Jay* attended grade school in Richland School District One, and graduated from Keenan High School. He attended DeVry University, in Decatur, Georgia, where he studied electrical engineering. While at DeVry, James became a member of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity. James graduated from Fortis College, in Columbia, South Carolina, with a certification as a HVAC Technician.

He was preceded in death by his father, James J. Johnnie Sutton, Sr. and his brother, Donald Sutton.

James loved his family, friends, and people in general. He found great joy in spending time with them. He valued the gift of family, friendship, and brotherhood. James loved his life and always found a way to focus on the positive side of a situation. He would be the first to help whenever and wherever he could. To our lives, James brought many memorable moments of pleasure, but most of all, we shall forever cherish the memory of his zest for life during his 50 years on earth.

James a loving son, father, grandfather, and brother. He leaves to cherish his memory: a daughter, Semajia Sutton; a son, Jevon Bair; a granddaughter, Sloan; his mother, Maedell Sutton, of Columbia, South Carolina; sister, Bridget Darby, of Orangeburg, South Carolina; aunt, Ruth McMichael, of Columbia, South Carolina; a host of other loving relatives, and friends, all of whom will miss him dearly.

Memories











Funeral Service Friday, October 21, 2022 - 3:00 p.m.

Leevy's Truneral Home Chapel
1831 Taylor Street
Columbia, South Carolina
Order of Service

Prelude

Processional	Clergy and Family
Viewing	Funeral Directors
Opening Hymn	
Old Testament	Psalm 121:1-4Minister
New Testament	John 14:1-6Minister
Prayer	Minister
Musical Selection	
Remarks	
Musical Selection	
Words of Comfort	Bishop Willie V. Sutton, Jr.
Recessional	•
Postlude	

Committal, Benediction and Interment

Lincoln Cemetery 4900 Farrow Road Columbia, South Carolina

God's Garden

God looked around his garden
And found an empty place.
He then looked down upon the earth,
And saw your tired face.

He put His arms around you
And lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful,
He always takes the best.

He knew that you were suffering, He knew that you were in pain. He knew that you would never Get well on earth again.

He saw the road was getting rough And the hills were hard to climb. So He closed your weary eyelids And whispered "Peace be thine."

It broke our hearts to lose you But you did not go alone... For part of us went with you The day God called you home.

> To My Dad, Thanks for the memories! Your daughter, Semajia

Pallbearers

Family and Friends

Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

<u>Acknowledgement</u>

We, the family of the late James Johnnie Sutton, Jr., would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for all the love that has been shown, during our time of bereavement. May God bless you.





