



Sergeant James Anthony Blanton

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Sergeant James Anthony “Tony” Blanton, 55, formerly of Chattanooga, passed away Wednesday, August 3, 2022, in a Georgia hospital. Tony was the devoted husband of D’Andrea L. Blanton and born March 21, 1967, in Chattanooga, Tennessee to Edward Blanton, Jr. and the late Chinester Blanton. Tony attended Kirkman Technical High School, graduating class of 1985. He then graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Science from Bryan College Class of 2012. He served in the United States Air Force for six years and honorably discharged in 1991. Tony was a proud member of the Fraternal Order of Police and retired from the Chattanooga Police Department after 25 years of faithful service. He was loved by all who encountered him. He never met a stranger and knew how to place a smile on anyone’s face. He had a talent for making any situation laughable. He loved to fish, travel, and spend quality time with his children. Tony was a jack of all trades. He was very resourceful; Google and YouTube were his best friends. The thing that brought him the most joy was spending his days and nights with his “Sweetie”. Tony was preceded in death by his mother; maternal grandparents, Napolian and Mary Clopton; paternal grandparents, Edward Blanton, Sr. and Mrs. Willie Blanton. Survivors include his loving wife, D’Andrea Blanton of six years; children, Victorious Blanton (affectionately known as “Gorgeous” by her daddy) of Nashville, TN, Jadon Blanton (lovingly known as “Big Man” by his daddy) of Murfreesboro, TN, Angelica Jenkins, and Sean Jenkins, Jr., both of Douglasville, GA; father, Edward Blanton, Jr. of Chattanooga; sisters, Jacqueline (Chris) Graham and Monita (Eric) Cox, both of Chattanooga; brother, Victor (Sheila) Blanton of Marietta, GA; father and mother-in-law, Deacon James and Cherie Ruffin of Marietta, GA; sister-in-law, Dawn (Ronald) Richardson of Marietta, GA; a host of nieces; nephews; cousins; other relatives and friends. Bishop Kevin L. Adams, Sr. will be giving words of comfort.




Events

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Lie-In-State

 **Wednesday**, August 10, 2022


 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM ET


 **Taylor Funeral Home of Chattanooga, Inc**
3417 Wilcox Boulevard, Chattanooga TN 37411



Graveside Service

 **Wednesday**, August 10, 2022

 1:15 PM ET

 **Chattanooga National Cemetery**
1200 Bailey Ave, Chattanooga TN 37404





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DW

Danielle Williams lit a candle in honor of James.

To the family of Sergeant James Anthony Blanton, my husband Tyrone Williams worked with him in the past with CPD. Tyrone has always spoken highly of him. We would like to send our condolences to you all. You are in our thoughts and prayers.-
Mr. & Mrs. Tyrone & Danielle Williams



August 10 at 9:23 AM

RG

Roger Gibbens posted:

I worked with James for 5 years as a DARE Officer. He was a great man who loved his family dearly. He will be missed.

August 10 at 7:29 AM

SC

Stephanie Carroll posted:

My Prayers are with the family my God give you unconditional strength and peace ❤️

August 10 at 5:55 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Blanton family.



August 9 at 6:51 AM



Anonymous sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Blanton family.



August 9 at 6:14 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful Dreams to the Blanton family.



August 9 at 6:12 AM



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Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Blanton family.

August 8 at 3:54 PM



Anonymous sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Blanton family.

August 8 at 12:53 PM



Khendra B Jordan lit a candle in honor of James.

August 8 at 11:36 AM



Kimberley Greer lit a candle in honor of James.

It was an honor to work with James in the North GA Health District. His abundant thoughtfulness and dedication to service are qualities of his that will never be forgotten. My thoughts, prayers, and deepest sympathies are with James' family. - Kimberley Greer

August 8 at 10:27 AM



Ruth Flemister lit a candle in honor of James.

August 8 at 10:10 AM



Anonymous sent a Dreams From the Heart Bouquet to the Blanton family.

August 8 at 8:46 AM





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Fop Lodge 22 posted:

"When a great man dies, for years the light he leaves behind him, lies on the paths of men." -Henry Wadsworth Longfellow Tony will always be remembered for his abundant grace, his ready humor, and his unwavering honor. We are fortunate to have worked and walked alongside this truly great man. With Profound Respect and Deepest Sympathy, Fraternal Order of Police - Rock City Lodge #22

August 8 at 8:33 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Blanton family.



August 8 at 8:02 AM



Donna Patterson lit a candle in honor of James.

I had the pleasure of working with James. Words cannot express what a wonderful and Kind Man he was to everyone he met. I enjoyed working with him and the privilege of getting to know him. Prayers for Gods Healing Hands for James Family. You are in my Thoughts and Prayers. Donna Patterson



August 8 at 6:03 AM



Nikki Nowell sent a Dreams From the Heart Bouquet to the Blanton family.



August 8 at 4:40 AM



Annette (Dunigan) Jackson lit a candle in honor of James.

On behalf of Kirkman Technical High school, class of 1985 we send our sincere condolences to the entire family. May the peace of GOD be with each one of you doing this difficult time. James will forever be remembered for his SMILE for sure and his KINDNESS.



August 8 at 1:36 AM



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NC

Norma Cooper lit a candle in honor of James.

My sincere condolences to the family. Your hearts are broken, but God knew best. His faithfulness to our community and serving as our police at Orchard knob Baptist Church for many years was our blessing. He will be missed. Monita, and the rest of the family.. I pray God will see you through. Stay strong and keep the faith

August 7 at 7:32 PM



CJ

Catherine Jones posted:

My deepest sympathy and condolences to The Blanton family. My heart goes out to you as well D'Andrea (Dee Dee) and family. I am praying for you all and God will comfort everyone during this heartbreaking time.Catherine

August 7 at 12:41 PM

KD

Kelli Darden lit a candle in honor of James.

August 7 at 4:34 AM



YW

Yolanda Ward lit a candle in honor of James.

August 6 at 4:03 PM



ND

North Georgia Health District sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Blanton family.

August 6 at 2:44 PM



TA

Tracy Lattimore Anderson lit a candle in honor of James.

August 5 at 5:59 PM





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Anonymous sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Blanton family.

August 5 at 4:24 PM



Anonymous sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Blanton family.

August 5 at 4:14 PM



Sherry Ball lit a candle in honor of James.

August 5 at 3:45 PM



Reginia Hamilton lit a candle in honor of James.

August 5 at 3:19 PM



AB **Alice Burton** August 8 at 9:25 AM

To the family of James Anthony Blanton, my prayers and condolences goes out to each of you especially Dee Dee. May God bless and keep each of you during this difficult time. Remember that earth has no sorrow that heaven can not heal. Alice Burton

BM **Barbara Miller** August 6 at 5:08 PM

My prayer is for strength, endurance, and all that the family, love ones stand in the need of be supply by God always 🙏🙏 Barbara Miller

RH **Reginia Hamilton** August 5 at 3:23 PM

Our prayers and condolences goes out to the family of James Anthony Blanton. Our Brother will truly be missed. Gone but not for gotten. The Hamilton and Ramsey.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring James by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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