



## Mr. Willie James Cameron Jr.

October 7, 1949 - December 11, 2019

Mr. Willie James Cameron, Jr. was born October 7, 1949 in Brandon, MS to the late Willie James Cameron, Sr. and Eva Lewis-Cameron. He was preceded in death by brothers, Johnny (Joe) Boone and Russell Cameron; sisters, Ernestine Carr-Glass, Evastine Cameron, Gloria Clark-English, Terry Cameron-Stubbs and Gail Lewis; grandson, Deion Running

Willie grew up in Duluth, Minnesota and graduated from Duluth Central High School. He served as a proud Marine in the Vietnam War. Willie later obtained an Associate of Arts degree from the University of Minnesota Duluth.

Early in his career, Willie worked with the elderly while living in California.

When he returned to Duluth, he was employed by Independent School District #709 as a Special Education Assistant. Simultaneously, he was working for Lutheran Social Services providing advocacy for and street outreach to runaway and homeless youth. Willie also worked at Bethany Crisis Shelter where he cared for infants, adolescents and teens.

In the summer of 2019, Willie happily returned to his birthplace of Brandon, Mississippi. He continued his love and passion for working with youth at the Northwest Rankin High School. When he wasn't working, Willie spent his time with family and friends. He loved listening to old school music, playing dominoes and barbecuing. Willie took pride in BBQ skills and always offered to make his infamous ribs for someone. His love for BBQ and his giving nature led him to take his custom made grill and create a side business, Have Grill-Will Travel, catering for special events.

Willie loved life, he loved meeting new people, lending a helping hand, laughing and being with family and friends. Willie couldn't go any place without someone knowing who he was or leaving having made new friends. Willie's family finds comfort and peace knowing that he was where he wanted to be when he passed. He will be forever loved and missed.

He leaves to cherish his memories: daughters, Kimberly Stewart of Richmond, CA, Rhonda (Mark) Jilek of Duluth, MN, Contina Cameron of Sacramento, CA, Jessica (Jason) Conner-Holmes of Eagan, MN, Jessica Cameron of Minneapolis, MN; son, Justin Cameron of Duluth, MN; uncle, Daniel Cameron, Jr. of John, MS; brothers, Roland Johnson, Raymond (Barbara) Cameron, Royce Cameron and Ronald (Kristi) Cameron all of Duluth, MN, Jimmy (Laura) Clark of Jackson, MS, Gil (Jodelyn) Lewis of Hayward, CA, Robert (Gertrude) Lewis of Stockton, CA; sisters, Jessie (Alfred) Thomas of Brandon, MS, Dr. Mary Cameron of Minneapolis, MN, Christine Johnson of Aurora, CA, Julie (Floyd) Edmonds of Mobile, AL, Patrice Cameron, Sandra Cameron both of Duluth, MN and Pauline Jones of East St. Louis, IL; grandchildren, Alexis, Amari, Angelo, Ashley, Cadee, Johnny, Calay'asia, Cameron, Cay'vion, Cedric, Cheyenne, Christina, Con Sepciona, Javon, Marcus and Trevon, six great grandchildren; Goddaughter, Destiny Deere; favorite nieces, Tiffany and Toni; special friends, Donna Johnson, Mary Butler and cousin, Howard Thompson.

# Cemetery Details

## Sandhill M. B. Church Cemetery

1197 Greenfield Circle  
Brandon, MS 39042

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **20**. 1:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Dean Memorial Funeral Home  
745 Highway 468  
Brandon, MS 39042  
(601) 825-3884  
<https://deanmemorialfuneralhome.com/>

# Tribute Wall

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“ A childhood friend. I will remember his sense of humor, vitality, and love of life.

Cosette Sondai - December 26, 2021 at 08:10 AM

CS

“ When I was in the NJROTC(Navy Junior Recruiting Officer Training Corps) Program, Mr. Cameron would always help adjust my ribbons, what I should do next time when I iron my salt and peppers. He even started bringing his hair Clippers to school bcuz I always forgot to shave my head before inspection that was held on Wednesday. I will truly miss his laugh, smile, encouragement, and that big heart he has. "It is not goodbye, it is see u later" gigawaabamin(See u later) Mr. Cameron.

Cameron Jones Sr. - December 12, 2020 at 09:55 AM

PM

“ Pauline Jones I Miss My Brother So Much lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie James Cameron Jr.



Pauline Jones i miss my brother so much - February 25, 2020 at 09:48 PM

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“ Pauline His Sister lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie James Cameron Jr.

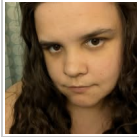


Pauline his sister - February 25, 2020 at 09:44 PM

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“ I am so sadden to hear of Willie's passing. He always made me laugh whenever I was with him. Willie is one of those special people that I will never forget. Always. Mary Agostino

mary agostino - January 08, 2020 at 06:20 PM



“ Was the nicest person I met. Knew him since I was in preschool. Was the one person I looked up to. He changed my life and I wouldn't be here without him. I love the smile and joy he would always give. I will miss you Mr.Cameron and sorry for lost to the family. Thank you for your service.



Stephani Petoletti - December 24, 2019 at 06:22 AM

MB

“ Myra Boone lit a candle in memory of Mr. Willie James Cameron Jr.



Myra Boone - December 20, 2019 at 12:24 PM