

ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL
Clergy and Family

SCRIPTURE READINGS:
II Corinthians 1:3-5
Proverbs 3:5-6

PRAYER OF COMFORT
Reverend Randy Ambrose, Sr.

MUSICAL SELECTION
All I Ask - Donnie McClurkin

EXPRESSIONS OF LOVE
Family & Friends

MUSICAL SELECTION
Chrisette Michelle - Your Joy

EULOGY
Reverend Randy Ambrose, Sr.

RECESSIONAL

– PALLBEARERS –
Family and Friends

– FLOWER BEARERS –
Family and Friends

– INTERMENT –
EVERGREEN CEMETERY
1409 Monroe Avenue
Opelika, Alabama 36804

– ACKNOWLEDGMENT –

The family of the late Mr. James Oscar “Nippy” Patrick acknowledges with grateful appreciation all acts of kindness, prayers, cards, telephone calls, flowers and words of comfort extended to us during our time of bereavement. May God bless each one of you.

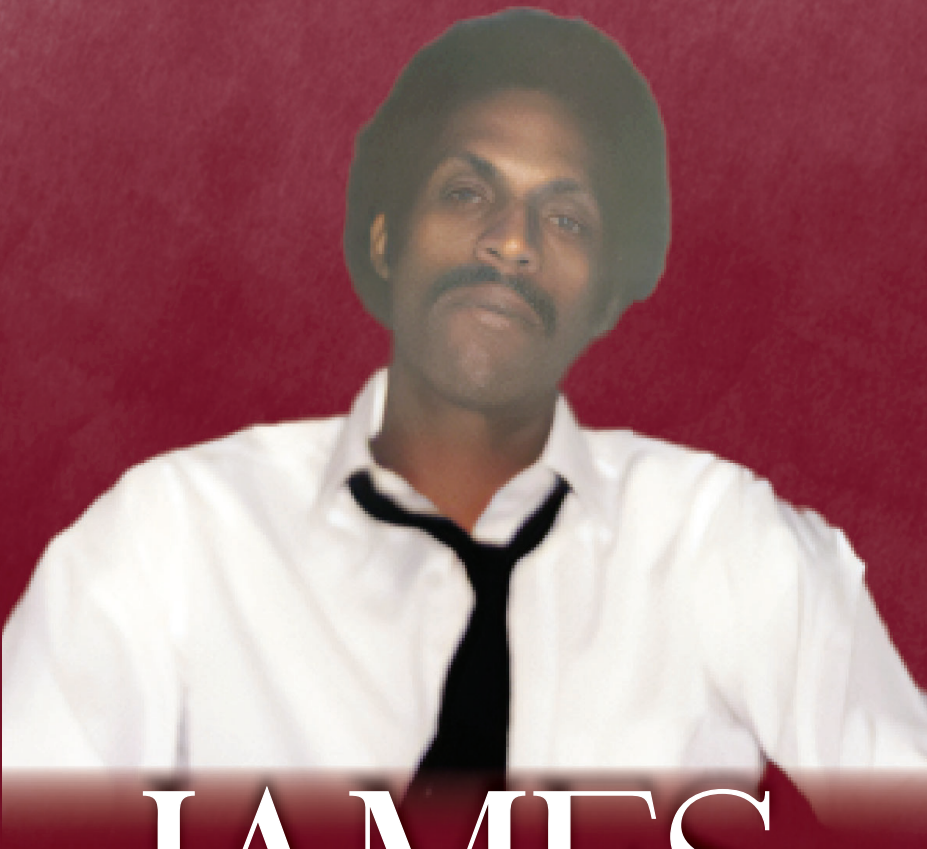
IN MEMORIAM

May we take this opportunity to express sincere and deep appreciation for allowing us to serve you during this most difficult period. It is our constant aim to afford to the people of this community a service completed in all details and faultlessly executed with sympathy and understanding.



Final Arrangements Entrusted to:
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IN LOVING MEMORY OF



JAMES
“Nippy”
OSCAR PATRICK

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2024 • 1:00 P.M.

HARRIS FUNERAL HOME CHAPEL
515 SOUTH 6TH STREET • OPELIKA, ALABAMA 36804

REVEREND RANDY AMBROSE, SR., OFFICIATING

–THE OBITUARY–

James Oscar Patrick, affectionately known as “Nippy” to his friends and family, passed away peacefully on October 9, 2024, at River Towne Center in Columbus, Georgia. Born on April 9, 1954, in the warm heat of spring, to the late Mr. Angelo and Mrs. Gladys Williams Patick. Nippy’s life was a testament to the loving and kind spirit he embodied throughout his 70 years.

Nippy was a proud graduate of R.C. Hatch High School in Uniontown, Alabama, where he first discovered his love for basketball - a passion that would follow him throughout his life. He carried this love into his college years at Chattahoochee Valley Community College, where he not only expanded his knowledge but also honed his skills on the court, much to the delight and cheer of his fellow students and teammates.

After his academic endeavors, Nippy translated his joy for life into a career that, while diverse, always reflected his interests and character. He never lost his touch for basketball, often playing in community leagues and always ready for a pickup game at the local park. His love for the sport was only matched by his love for fishing, a pastime that allowed him the tranquility to reflect on life’s simple pleasures and the excitement of a catch on a serene morning.

Those who knew Nippy would describe him as the epitome of loving and kind. He was a man who greeted everyone with a warm smile and an open heart. His presence was a comfort, his laughter contagious, and his ability to uplift others was unparalleled. Nippy’s generosity of spirit left a lasting impression on all who had the pleasure of crossing his path.

He leaves to cherish his memory: three children, Jeronda Boyce (KaDiri) Gates of Opelika, AL, Joy (Randy Jr.) of Smiths Station, AL and Craig Patrick of Columbus, GA; eight grandchildren, Janea Owens, Jelani Boyce, Alexis Boyce, Alexia Boyce, Icis Ellis, Randy Ambrose III, Tahari Patrick and Aaliyah Simmons; two great grandchildren, Gia Gates and Gennis Gates; five sisters, Paulette Patrick of Uniontown, AL, Gladys Johnson of Tuscaloosa, AL, Norma Hill of Birmingham, AL, Helen (Lee Curtis) Minor of Uniontown, AL, Edith (Curtis) Nord of Uniontown, AL and Ruthie (Moses) Jones of Newbern, AL; one brother, Angelo Patrick, Jr. of Attleboro, MA; one uncle, James H. (Ethel) Patrick of Columbus, GA; one aunt, Ms. Eddie Lee Blakeky of Boston, MA; godson, Antonio (Tiffany) Hall of Columbus, GA; special friends, Jacob German of Columbus, GA and Robert Bowden of Columbus, GA; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

James Oscar “Nippy” Patrick will be deeply missed, but the warmth of his spirit will forever remain in the hearts of his friends, community, and all who were blessed to share in his journey.

– DADDY –

Daddy because of you I’m the woman that I am today. You will forever be my hero. Love you forever.

-Your Oldest Daughter



Dear Daddy,

I don’t really know how to put losing you into words, but I’ll try.

Thank you for teaching me that family is everything and without them you have nothing.

Daddy, that’s exactly how it feels now that you’ve gone to be with Momma. I know that you wouldn’t want me to be sad, but I can’t help feeling this way. You are the first man to ever fill my heart with love and joy. Showed me that a father’s love for his daughter knows no limits. You weren’t perfect, but you WERE my Daddy and I am grateful God chose you for me. Thank you for allowing me to take care of you, it allowed me to heal a part of me I had no idea was hurting.

Now, all I ask is that my Heavenly Father, hears my prayers and holds me close, as I try to move forward without being able to see your smile, hear your laughter or your voice. I miss you Daddy and I love you forever and ever!!

-Your Joy (Daughter # 2)



FOREVER OUR PAPA



–BROTHER–

It’s been the hardest thing to lose you
You meant so much to us

But you are in our hearts, Dad
And that’s where you’ll always be.
We know that Heaven called you
But we wish you could have stayed
At least the memories we have of you
They will never fade.

We did not want to lose you
But you did not go alone,
Because a part of us went with you
When Heaven called you home.
So just remember one thing
We are not apart,
You’re with us in our memories
And in our broken hearts.

We Love You Always
Butch, Paulette, Boo, Helen, Candy, Curly & Dot