

Words of Appreciation From The Liggins Family

The Liggins' family wishes to thank the community for the intentional acts of love & outpouring of kindness which has been extended during this time. The family has been sustained by the compassionate ministries of prayer, peace, and presence during this time of great loss.

Words cannot express the depth of loss we feel, but we take comfort in knowing that James' spirit lives on in our hearts forever. Hebrews 6:10 declares in part, "For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labor of love, which you have shown toward His name, in that you have ministered to the saints." May you be richly and exceedingly blessed!

As we mourn the loss of Churchie, we find solace in the memories we shared and the lessons he taught us. His kindness, wisdom, and ability to see the best in everyone will never be forgotten. He leaves behind a legacy of love and inspiration that will continue to guide us on our journey.



**Comfort Ministry and
Transitional Arrangements Entrusted To**
J.E. Washington Funeral Services
2234 Glenwood Ave. 📍 Youngstown, OH 44511
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Services To Celebrate the Life of



James "Churchie" Liggins

**May 5, 1940
Sunrise**

**October 7, 2023
Sunset**

**WEDNESDAY ~ OCTOBER 18, 2023
11:00AM**

Jaylex Event Centre
2110 Glenwood Ave • Youngstown, OH
Rev. Dr. Lewis W. Macklin II, Officiant

- Order of Worship
Celebrating the Life of James Liggins



Call to Worship & Celebrate

United States Army Honors Ceremony

Sacred Text to Comfort~ Supt. Preston May
Isaiah 57:1-2

Prayer of Comfort – Pastor Derrick H. Anderson

Music Ministry – Sophia L. Buggs

Community Tributes & Expressions
Dorothy L. Macklin

Music Ministry – Min. Tanya D. Payne

The Word of Comfort- Pastor Kevin Meadows
Power in Praise Ministries, Deltona Florida

Committal & Benediction
Recessional



John 14:1-3 "Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me. There is more than enough room in my Father's home. If this were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am."

The Life & Legacy of James Churchie Liggins



James Liggins peacefully passed away on October 7, 2023, surrounded by his family at Mercy Health Medical Center. He was born on May 5, 1940, in Youngstown, OH, to the union of the late Mr. Willie & Mrs. Haddie Adams- Liggins. James was known by family and friends as "Churchie" which was the childhood nickname given to him by his uncle.

James proudly served his country in the United States Army, where he devoted his time and efforts to uphold the values he held dear. After completing his service, he embarked on a successful career in the automobile manufacturing & assembly industry. He was called "Cruise Control" by his coworkers for his laid-back demeanor. He spent many dedicated years at General Motors before retiring, leaving behind a legacy of hard work and expertise.

Throughout his life, he approached living in a matter-of-fact manner. He was very comfortable in his home, enjoying his easy chair and observing the happenings within the neighborhood from the view of his porch.

Outside of his professional achievements, Churchie was an avid fan of the Raiders football team. His passion for the sport was contagious, and he always found joy in watching games and discussing the latest plays with those who would listen. His love for the Raiders mirrored his affinity for life, as he embraced every moment with a zest for adventure and a playful sense of humor.

James' warm heart and genuine love for his family were his defining qualities. He is survived by his devoted wife, Phyllis M. Liggins, who stood by his side, sharing a love that withered neither time nor distance. Together, they created a beautiful family, raising their children Ernest Douglas Meadows, Faynell Wallace and Pastor Kevin (Wanda) Meadows with values of compassion, respect, faith, and determination.

Churchie was a doting grandfather to his cherished 12 grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren and one great-great grandson. He also leaves seven sisters-in love and two brothers-in-love. He was also a beloved uncle to a score of nieces and nephews.

Preceding him in death were his parents; siblings Willie Liggins Jr., Jean Hawthorne, Helen Wigfall, Thelma Houser, Ruthie Mae Glanton and Ted Glanton; daughter Beverly Liggins and granddaughter, Tallisha Barlow.

Lovingly submitted by the Family