



James Marshall

August 24, 1952 - May 21, 2026

James Marshall, 73, of Charlotte, passed away on May 21, 2026, at Atrium Health in Charlotte. Born on August 24, 1952, in Waynesboro, Georgia, James was the son of James Albert Jones and Katie Mae Marshall, who taught him early that honest work and capable hands could carry a man far in life.

From the time he was young, James had a gift for working with his hands—a natural craftsman whose skill seemed to flow as easily as breath.

He was a hardworking, self-made man who built his life through determination, skill, and an unwavering commitment to providing for those he loved. A gifted mechanic by trade, he took great pride in his work and eventually established his own business, earning the respect of customers and friends throughout the community. He owned several vehicles and took pride in his red Box Chevy and motorcycles. He mostly utilized his black work truck loaded with tools, he was known for showing up ready to help and ready to work. He understood working on cars as a mechanic like artists understood music.

He believed in taking his time and doing things the right way. Nothing was rushed, and every job received his full attention and care. He was a man of strong opinions and firm convictions, never afraid to speak his mind and

always determined to make sure his point was understood. A natural storyteller, he could captivate a room with his wisdom, humor, and life experiences, often leaving those around him laughing, reflecting, or learning something new.

Rooted in Southern values and old-school traditions, he appreciated life's simple pleasures—good music, family gatherings, cookouts, and time spent with loved ones. He loved dressing sharp, especially in his favorite colors of red and black, and carried himself with a sense of pride and confidence that was unmistakably his own. Above all, he was a devoted family man, a provider, and a loyal friend. He cherished his children, grandchildren, relatives, and the many friendships he built throughout his life. His legacy lives on through the countless lives he touched, the lessons he shared, and the love he gave so freely.

James leaves behind a legacy measured not in possessions, but in the countless things he repaired, restored, and made better simply by putting his hands to them. His life was proof that skill is a blessing, work is a language, and a man's hands can tell the story of who he was.

James is survived by

His children: Chadwick Cowans, Montez Cowans, Tywan Cowans, Jamien Marshall, Javon Dooley, Kierra Marshall, DeVera Graham, Shateah Marshall, Journee Marshall and Malonie Hightower, daughter-in Laws- Tamesha Cowans and Lystra Kim Cowans

His Grandchildren: Tavion Cowans, Joshua Cowans, Jacob Cowans , Juwan Cowans, Dontarious Cowans, Oquavion Reid Cowans , Jeada Austin, Justin Austin, Jaylon Austin, Goddess Marshall, Journey Marshall, Shiyev Marshall, Tyrecuse Graham, TiAzia Graham, Tydarereous Graham and Talia Graham

His Siblings: Jerry L. Jones, Benny L. Jones, Annie Marshall and Alice Marshall

His Special Friends: Pearl Rorie, Pam Dooley, LaDasha Hightower- many others

James is further survived by numerous nieces including Linda Byers and Diane Marshall, nephews, other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Larry Marshall.

The Marshall family has given the family of Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home the privilege of caring for him and for them. All are invited to join with the family from 1 to 3 pm on Wednesday for a time of service and remembrance of a life well lived and well shared with so many.

**** Special Thanks**

Special thanks to Pearl Rorie, sister Alice Marshall and great- niece Timyra Byers for supporting niece Linda Byers with caring for James during his hospitalization and final days. Your comfort, emotional support, and assistance with errands were greatly appreciated. Thank you to Marco Cowans for assisting with James's readmittance to CMC, and to daughter-in-law Lystra Cowans for assisting Linda Byers in escorting James from the facility to his home. Special thanks to Alice Marshall and Pamela Dooley for providing one of James's final meal requests. The family also extends sincere appreciation to all family members and friends who visited, showed love, and provided support during James's final days.

He will be deeply missed by all who knew him, learned from him, or lived in a space shaped by his care.

Previous Events

Gathering of Friends and Family

JUN 3. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



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