



James Linwood Rich Jr.

December 27, 1964 - December 29, 2016

James Linwood Rich, Jr., of Chestertown, MD, passed away on Thursday, December 29, 2016. He was 52.

James was born on December 27, 1964, in Easton, MD, the son of the late James L. Rich, Sr. and Anna Johnson. He was raised by the late Ervin and Mildred Stanford in Sadesville, near Sudlersville, MD.

James attended Queen Anne's County schools, where he played baseball, football, and wrestled. He also played little league baseball for the Sudlersville Wildcats. He graduated from Queen Anne's County High School in 1983. He then went on to attend Lincoln Tech Institute to study auto mechanics. James played semi-pro baseball in Delaware. His previous employment included Washington College and Bramble's before working as a custodian in the Kent County Public Schools system, beginning in August 1989. He worked very hard in the school system over the years and became the Head Custodian at Kent County High School.

"Jim" as he was called by many, enjoyed hunting, fishing, collecting baseball cards, and purchasing antiques. He also played men's softball and flag football in local leagues. His love for baseball and football stretched throughout his life and into the lives of his sons, in which he coached selflessly to better their game and become their strongest fan. Jim was a very

helpful friend and family member to many in his community who needed someone to fix things, run errands, or complete chores.

He is survived by wife Elizabeth J. Rich of Chestertown, MD; three sons, James L. Rich, III "Jimmy" of Chestertown, Tim Leonard of Baltimore, and Scott Rush of Chestertown. He is also survived by his sister, Joann Miller of Chestertown; parents, Robert and Jeralin Rochester, Barclay, MD; brothers, Kevin Rochester of St. Petersburg, FL, Keenan Rochester, (Hilda) of Modesto, CA, Gregory Rochester of Washington, DC; sisters, Valerie Rochester of Barclay, MD, Djuna Smith (John) of California, MD, Shannon Creek of Tucson, AZ, Angela Rochester of Glendale, AZ, Lekisha Montgomery of Charleston, SC, Dawntrina Turner of Baltimore, MD, Tonya Pyles of Baltimore, MD; brothers, Russell Jacobs of Chester, PA; Robert Jacobs of Chester, PA; a special cousin, Wardell Harding; three aunts, Grace Johnson of PA, Naomi (Leon) Haynes of Grasonville, Hattie Johnson of Easton, MD; six uncles, James Johnson of Centreville, MD, Charles Johnson of DE, Bruce Johnson of DE, William Johnson of Greensboro, MD, Larry Johnson of Denton, MD, Tony (Marian) Johnson of Trappe, MD; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, January 6, 2017, at 12:00 pm at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newman Funeral Home, 130 Speer Road, Chestertown, MD, where relatives and friends may call two hours prior (10am-12pm). Interment will be in Broadneck Cemetery, Chestertown, MD, following the service.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 6. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Chestertown Location
130 Speer Road
Chestertown, MD 21620
(410) 778-0055
info@fhfuneralhome.com

Service

JAN 6. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *James Linwood Rich Jr.*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *James Linwood Rich Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *James Linwood Rich Jr.*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Catherine Williams and Shania Fluellen are sending our deepest condolence from Milledgeville Georgia.*



Catherine Williams - January 05, 2017 at 06:36 PM



“ *Cheryl Hartmetz lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.*



Cheryl Hartmetz - January 05, 2017 at 05:17 PM



“ *Sandy Elizabeth lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.*



Sandy Elizabeth - January 05, 2017 at 03:10 PM



“ *Terrence Moody lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.*



Terrence Moody - January 05, 2017 at 12:52 PM



“ *Uncle Jimmy you will be missed. You were a good man.*



kava - January 05, 2017 at 11:25 AM



“ *Jim, I enjoyed being your co-worker at KCHS. I pray that you have found peace in heaven.*

John Silcox

John Silcox - January 05, 2017 at 06:01 AM

SR

“ James, I will forever remember our conversations about baseball at QACHS the past few years. Prayers to the family especially Jimmy. Rest easy my friend. The Rosebrock Family.



Sean Rosebrock - January 04, 2017 at 07:56 PM

Julie N
Scott
Alleger

“ Julie N Scott Alleger lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.



Julie N Scott Alleger - January 04, 2017 at 06:56 PM

Julie N
Scott
Alleger

“ May you rest in peace Jimmy sure going to miss your smile. My thoughts and prayers are with your family till we meet again.

Julie N Scott Alleger - January 04, 2017 at 06:55 PM

CP

“ Cathy Perry-Strong lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.



Cathy Perry-Strong - January 04, 2017 at 05:00 PM

TJ

“ Tina Johnson lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.



Tina Johnson - January 04, 2017 at 04:10 PM

DA

“ Words can not explain how We feel
How much your gonna be missed Jimmy
May you Rest Easy Bro <3
"The Allen Family"



Dawn Allen - January 04, 2017 at 11:38 AM

TJ

“ Tyson Johnson lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.



Tyson Johnson - January 04, 2017 at 10:40 AM

TJ

I will certainly miss you Mr. Rich. I'll never forget our conversations. I'm still in shock. My thoughts and prayers go out to your family. May you RIP.

Tyson Johnson - January 04, 2017 at 10:42 AM

GG

“ George Grussing lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.



George Grussing - January 04, 2017 at 10:39 AM

GG

My deepest sympathy to the family. Thoughts and prayers are with you.

George Grussing - January 04, 2017 at 10:40 AM

SR

“ Sharon Rhodes lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.



sharon rhodes - January 04, 2017 at 07:53 AM

KO

“ Kari Oulahyane lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.



Kari Oulahyane - January 03, 2017 at 01:24 PM

BF

“ *Bryan Thomas And Family lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.*



Bryan Thomas and family - January 03, 2017 at 10:18 AM

CK

“ *Our sincerest sympathies to the Rich family...
The Klabe's*

Charlene Klabe - January 02, 2017 at 10:56 AM

TF

“ *Our thoughts and prayers to the Rich family*



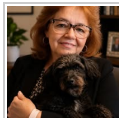
The Fitzgerald family - January 02, 2017 at 09:37 AM



“ *Carol Connolley lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.*



Carol Connolley - December 30, 2016 at 06:14 PM



Prayers to the Rich family. May you find comfort and peace through this difficult time.

Carol Connolley - December 30, 2016 at 06:18 PM

DO

“ Donna lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.



Donna - December 30, 2016 at 02:09 PM

OR

“ Orgirina lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.



orgirina - December 30, 2016 at 12:54 PM

 Nikita Beck

“ Nikita Beck lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.



Nikita Beck - December 30, 2016 at 12:30 PM

SL

*My prayers go out to the family of Jim Rich. May God bring peace and comfort
As only He can.*

Stephanie Lindsey - December 30, 2016 at 04:04 PM

DJ

I still can't believe it! Deacon as I always called you as we joked. I pray that you are resting in the arms of the Lord. you will be missed by many. Prayers for the family and friends that loved you.

Denise Jones - January 04, 2017 at 04:17 PM

RP

“ *Robin G Pletzer lit a candle in memory of James Linwood Rich Jr.*



Robin G Pletzer - December 29, 2016 at 09:18 PM