



James Robert Mahaley

February 18, 1947 - May 22, 2024

James Robert Mahaley, 77, of Providence, NC, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, May 22, 2024 at Duke University Hospital.

James was born on February 18, 1947, a son of the late Robert Lee and Nellie Frances Rice Mahaley.

He was of the Christian faith. He served his country in the United States Air Force and was a Vietnam Veteran. He was a regional manager for Pizza Hut in Virginia and West Virginia, manager of several local restaurants, including The Wurst Place, The Victorian and Bogies. He was a long-term Lab Care courier at Sovah Health – Danville.

On August 16, 1975, James wed Brenda Leigh Lynch. They enjoyed traveling. They loved to create unique experiences for their family and friends. James was known for his charismatic personality and storytelling, totally engaging others with his unique personality. He enjoyed making his special recipes for others. In recent years he became an enthusiast lover of growing orchids.

James was the kindest, most generous man you would ever meet. He had an incredible impact on everyone he met. He will be terribly missed and always in our hearts.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his brother, George Lee Mahaley; sister-in-law, Janet Lynch Griffith (Whitney); nieces, Cynthia Mahaley Sigmon (Tommy) Courtney Griffith (Joe), Allyson Griffith Forman (Ben), Lindsay Griffith Evers (Tommy); nephew, George Lee Mahaley, Jr. (Tonya); and several great nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held on Friday, May 31, 2024 at 3:00p.m. at the Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel with Pastor Michael Brady officiating. The family will receive friends prior to the service from 1:30 p.m. until 2:45 p.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Providence Fire and Rescue, P O Box 93, Providence, NC 27315 or to Danville-Pittsylvania Cancer Association, 223 Riverview Drive, Suite J, Danville, VA 24541.

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is respectfully serving the Mahaley family.

Tribute Wall



“ *Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James Robert Mahaley*



Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - May 30, 2024 at 08:31 PM

GJ

Beautiful memories

George Mahaley Jr - May 31, 2024 at 03:33 AM

GJ

Love them pictures brings back memories 😊

George Mahaley Jr - May 31, 2024 at 03:34 AM

HS

We were sorry to hear that James had passed away. Keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers.

Helen Starling - June 02, 2024 at 04:15 PM

JG

This is a wonderful video. Thank you Wrenn-Yeatts for providing it. What a wonderful life and an incredible man. He will always be in our hearts 💕

Janet L Griffith - June 12, 2024 at 12:21 PM

AF

“ *The Forman family loves you James always and forever. You were a shining light in a cloudy world. We will miss you.*

Allyson Griffith Forman - June 08, 2024 at 12:28 PM

JG

Allyson, such a true statement. Your Uncle James was the best! He enjoyed every minute with us. He was your Godfather.

Janet L Griffith - June 12, 2024 at 11:49 AM

PT

“ *James was my coworker...during the holidays we all enjoyed the cheeseballs he made for the Lab...We will miss him greatly.*

Patty Turner - May 31, 2024 at 10:11 AM

DS

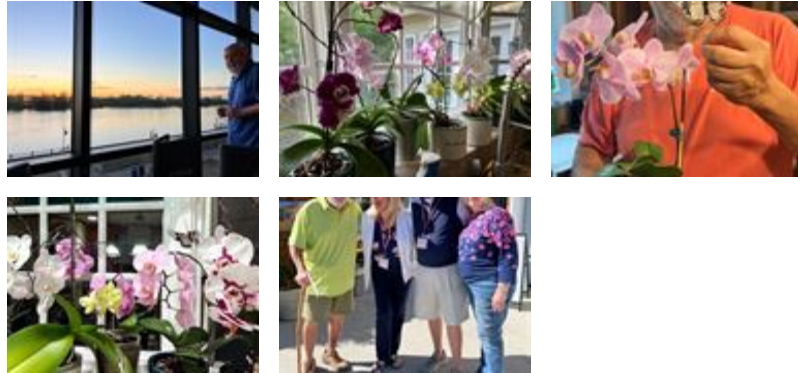
“ *So very Sorry for your Loss My thoughts and Prayers are with you all at this difficult time !!*



Deborah Boswell Smith - May 30, 2024 at 08:12 PM



“ 99 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - May 30, 2024 at 04:25 PM

CS

“ *Prayers for peace love comfort and understanding. Condolences to all.*

Charity Hope Boswell Shelton - May 29, 2024 at 07:20 PM

CS

“ *Our deepest sympathy for your loss. James was a great guy. We shared many fun times at the Victorian. He could always light up a room with his smile and ability to tell jokes.*

Chuck

Charles Sublett - May 29, 2024 at 05:24 PM

JG

Chuck, thank you. I remember those days. James was a wonderful brother. So many fond memories.

Janet L Griffith - June 12, 2024 at 11:47 AM



“ Folks, I grew up with James and we went to school from the 1st grade through the 12th grade together. There were several of us Providence kids that car pooled to Cobb Memorial one we received our licenses. James had a Fiat. Can you imagine three to four teenagers trying to get into that car, LOL. We're all going to miss his outgoing attitude, James never met a person he wouldn't talk to. Huge remembrances James.

Forest Dalton - May 29, 2024 at 05:16 PM

PP

Brenda, may God be with you during this most difficult time. May your precious memories comfort you in the days ahead.

Patsy Lee Parker - May 30, 2024 at 09:18 AM

CB

So sorry for the lost of james. I lived near them once and knew his brother George my prayers go out to the family of james

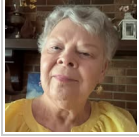
Catherine Barbour - June 05, 2024 at 11:46 AM

SW

“ Sybil Williams lit a candle in memory of James Robert Mahaley



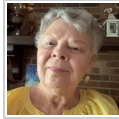
Sybil Williams - May 29, 2024 at 08:19 AM



“ *Dorothy Chludzinski lit a candle in memory of James Robert Mahaley*



Dorothy Chludzinski - May 27, 2024 at 07:08 PM



*My sincere sympathy to Brenda, family, and friends of James Robert Mahaley in his passing.
Dorothy Wright Chludzinski*

Dorothy Chludzinski - May 27, 2024 at 07:11 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Life Tributes*



Wrenn-Yeatts Funeral Homes - May 27, 2024 at 08:08 AM



“ *JAMES WAS A CARING AND SWEET PERSON,I NEVER MET HIM WITHOUT A SMILE.*

CAPTERIA B TERRY - May 26, 2024 at 11:57 PM

CS

“ Uncle James was my favorite Uncle and I can't believe that he's gone. I have so many memories with him growing up and I'll cherish each of those memories for the rest of my life. He always treated me like I was his daughter when my Mama and Daddy needed a babysitter they could always count on him and it didn't even matter if he was at work managing Pizza Hut, Bogies or The Victorian Restaurant he always said bring her to me. When I was born Uncle James gave me a one dollar bill that he carried with him thru Vietnam and he said it was a good luck piece and it got him back home safely to his family. I have so many memories with him I could go on and on telling everyone how great of a man he was but for anyone whoever had the opportunity to meet him already knows what a great man he was, and that's a FACT. I was his first niece and I know without a doubt he loved me, he never had to tell me because his actions always showed it. Uncle James I know your looking down from Heaven watching over Aunt Brenda, my Daddy and the rest of the family and you know how much you were loved and how much your going to be missed. I promise I will try to help Aunt Brenda and be there for her because I know that's what you would want. I love you Uncle James and I know I will see you again one day and until then RIP and know that you touched so many peoples lives here on earth and you were loved by many. The world may be a little dimmer now but I know at night there's an extra star in the sky watching over and protecting your loved ones left behind here on earth. I will always love you Uncle James 🙏❤️😭

Cynthia Mahaley Sigmon - May 26, 2024 at 05:52 AM

PC

“ James was loved by the lab family. He had a way with people that few people have. The world is a little more smaller without him. Prayers for family and friends.

Pamela Coates - May 25, 2024 at 04:49 PM