



James S. Chapman

October 1, 1938 - July 7, 2025

Mr. James S. Chapman made his transition on July 7, 2025. Please encourage the family with words of love and encouragement on our Tribute page. To send flowers, or a memorial gift, to the family please visit our Sympathy Store.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 17. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Kemp Funeral Home & Cremation Services
24585 Evergreen Rd
Southfield, MI 48075
(248) 702-5367
info@kempfh.com
<https://www.kempfuneralhome.com>

Family Hour

JUL 18. 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Third New Hope Baptist Church
12850 Plymouth Rd.
Detroit, MI 48227

Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

SC

“ I was deeply saddened to hear about the passing of your husband. Your dedication and support to our community have always been such a source of inspiration, and I know this loss is profound. Please know that my heart goes out to you during this incredibly difficult time.

The love and kindness you both have shared with everyone will always be remembered. May you find strength in the memories you created together and comfort from the support of those who care about you.

If there's anything I can do to support you, please don't hesitate to reach out. We are all thinking of you.

With heartfelt sympathy,

Shawn Childrey

Shawn Childrey - July 19, 2025 at 12:11 PM

LW

“ R.I.H Dad❤️🙏
Thank you for loving on Darnell and I. You treated us like family and I always looked forward to your hugs and kiss on the cheek. We will miss you❤️🙏

LaKeisha Wilson - July 17, 2025 at 02:39 PM

AL

“ 🙏🙏🙏💜 Kingdomwood Family

It's an Amazing feeling having a brother-in-law, like mine that came out to my faith-based film festival named 'Kingdomwood' at least three times throughout the years to support me in my film visions, along side of my sister Debra Chapmen. Sam and Debra, came to Atlanta twice and then Hilton Island SC; each time Sam would observe all the film submissions. I remember the very last time he attended Kingdomwood Int'l Film Festival. He told us that we should do a documentary on our uncle John Littleton. My sister Debra echoed that for months.

And then it hit me!!! Okay, Sam I will do it..! In 2025 I submitted our Uncle John Littleton Documentary and Cannes PA~ Film Festival in France "Accepted" Our documentary it was scheduled to be screened May 15th 🤯☐ Also in 2025 July 7th. My brother-in-law James Samuel Chapman accepted his wings ✨🙏 RIH by brother and Thank you 🏆



Audrey Littleton - July 16, 2025 at 05:53 PM

RC

“ Rest in Peace Dear Cousin



Reebe C.Jarrett - July 15, 2025 at 08:55 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James S. Chapman.*



July 15, 2025 at 08:51 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James S. Chapman.

July 15, 2025 at 08:51 PM



“ *Sending prayers to the Chapman. RIP Uncle Sam*



KB Blythe - July 15, 2025 at 12:05 PM



*Chapman Family**

KB Blythe - July 15, 2025 at 12:06 PM



Thank you so much love you

Monica - August 19, 2025 at 09:42 PM

KW

“ *Kateria Wright lit a candle in memory of James S. Chapman*



Kateria Wright - July 14, 2025 at 03:15 PM

KW

“ *Dear Uncle Sam!*

We will gather to remember and celebrate your wonderful and well-lived life. You were a source of love, strength, and joy to all who knew you. Your kindness, laughter, and wisdom will be deeply missed. In our sadness, we will remember that the absence in body means you are present with the Lord. We will take solace in God's promises and know you are at peace.

*With Much Love,
Kateria and the Wright Family*



Kateria Wright - July 14, 2025 at 03:09 PM

JW

“ I thank God for having a chance to meet such a wonderful amazing man I called my dad may be gone but yet you live in my heart forever as you spread your wings and fly away rest in peace see you when I get there love your son Johnny



Johnny walker - July 14, 2025 at 02:51 PM

LE

“ Sending Prayers, Love & The Lord's Blessings To Debbie & Family 🙏🙏
When you've done All that you could, It's Time to let Jesus Christ continue his journey 🙏❤️🙏 Always be Thankful for the Precious Moments that you've shared with Wonderful Sam🎁 A Definite Gift.
Lenore & Al💋

Lenore - July 14, 2025 at 12:38 PM

PC

“ July 12, 2025

Family of James S. Chapman

“He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.” Psalm 91:1

Dear Brother LaThair Chapman and Family,

We the Peace Baptist Church Family stand with you in love knowing that God in His majestic mercy will supply the grace you need to make it through this time. We were deeply touched to hear of the passing of your father Jame S. Chapman. We mourn with you at this time of great loss however, we are confident that your faith and the peace of God will keep you during this difficult experience. We want to assure you that we are diligently interceding for you, and we are ready to assist you in whatever tangible way we can.

In closing, we humbly share with you the words spoken by the Prophet Isaiah in the book of Isaiah chapter 26 verse 3, “God will keep him in perfect peace, who’s mind is stayed on Him.” We encourage you to trust God and cast all your burdens on Him for He (and we) genuinely care for you.

With Much Love,

*Dr. Pastor David L. Jefferson &
Peace Baptist Church Family*

Peace Baptist Church - July 12, 2025 at 09:34 AM

DC

Dear beloved husband ❤️ you were the best ever FRIEND IN OUR BEGINNING KNOWING EACH OTHER AND EVEN BETTER AND AMAZING HUSBAND ALWAYS SPOILING ME WITH EVERYTHING IT WILL NEVER EVER BE ANOTHER FOR ME TILL WE MEET AGAIN ❤️ RIP YOUR LOVING AND MISSING YOU TERRIBLY WIFE DEBRA RENEE CHAPMAN

Debra Woodard Chapman - July 24, 2025 at 01:12 PM

DF

“ David Vincent family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James S. Chapman.



David Vincent family - July 11, 2025 at 08:12 PM

GF

“ Thank you for helping show us the way so that we would grow from boys to men. We won't forget the lessons. Much love forever. G.F



Gerard Franklin - July 11, 2025 at 06:59 PM

BS

“ Brenda Simpson lit a candle in memory of James S. Chapman



Brenda Simpson - July 11, 2025 at 12:33 PM

BS

Cousin Michelle,

Deborah, Steven and I are extending Heartfelt Sympathy to you and the Chapman family. Sam, Rest in Peace from Labor to Reward.

Brenda Simpson - July 11, 2025 at 12:39 PM

DL

And also from your nephew Shawn. Uncle Sam you will be missed but never forgotten Rest In Paradise.

Darryl S Liner - July 13, 2025 at 09:29 AM

VL

“ *I did not know Mr. Chapman, but his wife Deborah is my cousin. From The Fred and Essie Littleton family we would like to express our deepest sympathy to you and your family cousin Deborah, Love, your cousin Valerie*

Valerie Littleton - July 11, 2025 at 09:43 AM

CM

“ *C Murphy/cpca Member lit a candle in memory of James S. Chapman*



c murphy/cpca member - July 10, 2025 at 10:00 PM

LR

“ *Dear Debra and family
I'm keeping you lifted in prayer. May you feel God's love supporting & comforting you at this difficult time.
Love, LaVera Rayford*

LaVera Rayford - July 10, 2025 at 09:05 PM



“ *My Prayers are with Debra and the family.*



Gwenetta Bingham - July 10, 2025 at 08:35 PM

JB

“ *Jennifer Ballard lit a candle in memory of James S. Chapman*



Jennifer Ballard - July 10, 2025 at 04:25 PM

DM

“ 🙏🌹 *Prayers and Condolences to you and your Family in your time of sorrow* 🙏

Doris Jean McWhite - July 10, 2025 at 09:34 AM

LB

“ *On behalf of Pastor Branch and myself, we share our love and prayers to Debra Chapman and all the family! We have so many memories of Richard's service at Third New Hope and beyond! He will never be forgotten! God is faithful and we love you!*

Lanell Branch - July 10, 2025 at 02:31 AM

EP

It's James Chapman, not Richard. We love you back!

Essence Payne - July 10, 2025 at 11:46 PM



“ May God comfort you and give you strength during this time of sorrow. You are in my prayers.

Sherri Lovin Aaliyah Marie - July 09, 2025 at 10:42 PM



“ Run with the horses grandpa 🐎❤️



Essence Payne - July 09, 2025 at 08:34 PM



“ I'm going miss you soooooooooooooo much Dad



Monica Renee - July 09, 2025 at 08:14 PM



“ We are praying for you and your family he always say to me you my man rest in peace my man



Duane & Linda Ballard - July 09, 2025 at 06:56 PM

PD

“ *Very kind family man*



Pamela Dawson - July 09, 2025 at 02:13 AM

KB

“ *Kenneth and Michelle Byrdsong purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of James S. Chapman.*



Kenneth and Michelle Byrdsong - July 08, 2025 at 09:16 PM

KB

“ *Kenneth and Michelle Byrdsong planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James S. Chapman.*

Kenneth and Michelle Byrdsong - July 08, 2025 at 09:16 PM

EF

“ *Our heart and prayers goes out to his beautiful wife and the family as you lay Brother Chapman to rest. He will truly be miss. May he RIP.*

Elder Linda Adams and Family - July 08, 2025 at 08:41 PM

KF

Praying for love, peace, and understanding to the family💜🕊️💜 during your ti.e of mourning. Love, Baub💜🙏💜

Kenneth D Freeman - July 08, 2025 at 09:47 PM

DE

My dear cousin, sending love and prayers to you and your family, cousin Deborah.

DeborahLittleton-Quinn - July 08, 2025 at 10:15 PM

WA

My sincere condolences to the family of Samuel Chapman and his family

You were my friend . I will never forget all the laughter and giggles we had together. You will truly be missed. Wanda Platt

Wandaplatt08@gmail.com - July 11, 2025 at 04:32 PM

AG

My Condolences to you and your family. May the special times and memories help to comfort you during this time. Sending prayers. A member of College Park.

Adrienne Gray

Adrienne Gray - July 14, 2025 at 08:54 AM