



## James Sherley

May 4, 1938 - July 11, 2011

Family hour will take place at 10:00 am. on Monday, July 18, 2011 at Browne's Mortuary, 441 North Jefferson Avenue, with the funeral commencing at 11:00 a.m. Pastor Leslie Lewis will officiate with interment in Forest Lawn Cemetery. Friends may call at the funeral home on Sunday from 2:00 until 6:00 p.m. Mr. James Earl Sherley, beloved husband, father, son, uncle, and friend, went to be with the Lord on Monday July 11, 2011 at the age of 73 years. He was born on May 4, 1938 to Mil and Vera (Brown) Sherley in Witchita Falls, TX and was raised in Saginaw, MI. James united with long time friend and love, Brenda Davis-Sherley and joined with her in matrimony on June 18, 2007 in a private ceremony. She survives him. From his union with his first wife, Margaret (Simpson) Sherley, four children were born: Sherry A. Weathers (Isaac), Leonard Earl Sherley (Elaine), Nina F. Sherley-Cliatte, and Tracy L. Sherley. He was also father to Richard Stevenson and Gwendolyn White-Bowman. He was a graduate of the Saginaw High School class of 1956 where he was an accomplished football player and student, the recipient of several athletic accolades, and was often featured in the Saginaw News. Always an avid sports fan, James enjoyed attending sporting events of every kind and could be found from the side of the boxing ring to the stands in a football stadium. Throughout his life, he enjoyed traveling and spending time with friends. James was employed by General Motors and was a member of UAW Local 668 for 31 years before retiring in 1991. Slowing down later in life, James enjoyed watching television, especially his favorite soap opera, "The

Young and The Restless", as well as spending quality time with his wife, children, and grandchildren. James also loved to sit in his swing under a shade tree and in his own words, "Watch the world go by". Left to cherish his memory besides his wife are eleven grandchildren, James Earl Sherley II, Margaret Pearl Layton, Nakisha R. Sherley, Leonard L. Moore, Darrell E. Sherley, April Wicker, Charlene Cofie Orange, Leola R. Jackson, Brian Bullock, Stephanie Sherley-Johnson, and Constance Sherley; 29 great-grandchildren; 3 great-great-grandchildren; mother-in-law, Emma Davis; two sisters-in-law, Janice Ruffin and Diane Evans; many nieces, nephews, in-laws, and a host of other relatives. James also had several life-long friends, William Allen, Charles Atwater, Gene Lee, J.T. Landrum, and Wadell Reese. James was preceded in death by his parents, Mil and Vera Sherley; his first wife, Margaret (Simpson) Sherley; and one great-grandchild, Deja Onyah Nina Sherley. To view Mr. Sherley's funeral service, please click on the link below: <http://webcasts.lifetributes.com/233323>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of James Sherley*



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**Browne's Mortuary** - July 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *I WILL NEVER 4 GET THE NICK NAME U GAVE TO ME B 4 I EVER MEET GRUNT.(CHICKEN LADY).....i will miss hearing u call me chicken lady...love,MRS.TINEESHA SHERLEY.U WILL B MISSES.*

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**DARRELL +TINEESHA SHERLEY** - July 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Praying for Nina, Tracy, Keshia, and my Pooper. I will hold the family up in prayer in this time. I know your pain. Mr Sherley will be missed but in God we trust. Love you!*

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**Kim Austin** - July 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *TO LEONARD AND WIFE AND FAMILY AND FRIENDS YOU HAVE MY PRARYER AND CONDOLENCE.*

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**ALICE HUNT & FAMILY** - July 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ God bless Mr. Sherley I'm thankful to have known such a kind and wonderful man. Praying for the family. Pastor W. F. Casey

Dr. Willie F. Casey - July 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ My condolences to the Sherley family, what a blessing it is to have had your grandfather this long...I have heard great things about this man. Cherish your memories and embody his character and strength. GOD BLESS YOU ALL!

Stefanie Williams - July 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ To the Sherley family I want to offer my condolence to you all, May GOD bless and keep you through your time of need.

Buford V. Gaiter Jr. - July 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TW

“ To the Sherley and Weathers family wishing you peace with deepest sympathy to your whole family.

Tiffany C Wheeler - July 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ To the Family of Mr. Sherley,

*My prayers are with you. The Bible says to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord. Find peace in this. Kesha, Cofie, Grant, LL, Dimple and the rest, I smile when I think about some of the laughs as kids he presented us with. It was great knowing and meeting him as a child and the reflection that shows in each of you. Know that it is well.*

*Blessing*

*Rosalyn*

*(P.S. Momma Diane and Gwen I did not forget you, but because you are women of God, I know that prayer goes without saying. Love ya)*

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**Rosalyn Williams-Griffin** - July 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ JAMES YOU WILL TRULY BE MISSED YOU WILL ALWAYS BE IN MY HEART FOREVER LOVE YOU YVETTE

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**YVETTE SHAW** - July 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ JAMES I WILL MISS YOU DEARLY YOU WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN ALWAYS IN MY HEART  
STACY

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**STACY COSBY** - July 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ We were saddened to hear about the passing of our friend James. To the family, be encouraged and put your trust in God. We will keep you in our prayers.

*God Bless!*

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**Slick & The V.I.P. Lounge** - July 11, 2011 at 12:00 AM