



## James Jerome Hargett

May 1, 1969 - October 5, 2025

James Jerome Hargett, Jr. was the first born son to Rebecca Ann and James Hargett, Sr. on May 1, 1969 in Bertie County Hospital. He was raised in Williamston, North Carolina along with his brother Jacques and sisters Elizabeth and Chrystal Hargett. He was known to family and childhood friends as “Little Jim.”

James graduated from Riverside High School in 1987. After graduating from college with a Bachelor’s degree in Chemistry, James moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to start working at the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as an environmental scientist. At age 29, he became a husband and father. On seeing his son, James decided that it was time to make the truth his own, so he started a study and at the age of 30, was baptized.

After several years living and working in Philadelphia, James met Cheron Ellis at the Eastwick congregation. The two were married on April 24, 2016. In 2017, they started their lives together on Kent Island in Chester, Maryland. They shared nine and a half years together serving Jehovah. He was also appointed as a ministerial servant during COVID.

James had a family-first attitude and a love for the community. He was a self-taught swimmer who enjoyed helping and assisting others in any way possible.

James especially loved nature, live music, reading science-fiction books or watching science-fiction movies. He also loved beautiful sunsets/sunrises, going to beaches and carnivals. Above all of these things, what he loved so dearly, was serving Jehovah. His favorite Scripture is found in Romans 12:12 "Rejoice in hope. Endure under tribulation. Persevere in prayer."

James Jerome Hargett, Jr. leaves to cherish his memory: his wife, Cheron Denise Hargett; two sons, James and Joseph Hargett; father, James L. Hargett, Sr.; mother, Rebecca A. Hargett; brother, Jacques (Shirley) Hargett; nephews, Zion and Brice Hargett; sisters, Elizabeth (Wiley) Williamson and Chrystal Hargett; niece, Acceber Hargett; nephews, Aston Hargett and Christian Williamson, sister/cousins, Atoria and Felicia and a host of other family members and friends.

Submitted With Love ~ The Family

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

OCT **25**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses (Cordova, MD)  
29250 Skipton Landing Road  
Cordova, MD 21625

# Tribute Wall

TC

“ So sorry for your loss. I worked with James at EPA, and he was always a gentleman, very respectful and eager to help. He will be missed by his co-workers along with his family and friends. I had heard James passed away but just found out definitely today. We will send a message out to the retiree group so you may be hearing from a lot of EPA staff after the message goes out. I hope with time the loss of James will lessen and only the many wonderful memories you have of his beautiful life remain. He was so devoted to his family that he drove from his home in Maryland to Philadelphia to then devote himself to protecting human health and the environment for everyone in our Region. Thank you for sharing James with us.

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**Tish Corbett** - November 16, 2025 at 01:24 PM

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**Paula Whittington** - October 31, 2025 at 12:00 PM

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“ A Gentle Light

*He walked with grace, not loud but clear, A soul whose kindness  
drew us near. With every smile, a quiet balm, His presence steady,  
soft, and calm.*

*At work, he greeted all with care, A gentle nod, a heart laid bare.  
Respect was woven in his way, A light that warmed the coldest day.*

*No word can hold the depth he gave, No phrase can match the love  
he shared. But still I speak, through tears and prayer, Of one whose  
spirit lingers forever for he was a truly a good man .*

*He was my friend, my heart now sore, Yet faith reminds: he lives  
once more. With God above, his soul now free, A light the world will  
always see.*

*To his dear family, love and grace, May comfort find its rightful  
place. For though he's gone, his truth remains for In every heart his  
light sustains.*

*-Paula Whittington*

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**Paula Whittington** - October 31, 2025 at 10:28 AM

CC

“ A gentle and kind man.

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**Cornelius Carr** - October 27, 2025 at 09:13 AM

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“ *Sorry For Your Loss*



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**Thomas Widgeon** - October 24, 2025 at 06:35 AM

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“ *James aka Jimmy aka Little Jim, I was so saddened and shocked to hear of his passing. I have so many memories of spending time at the house with Chrystal growing up and out in the country. So many memories of the entire family and so much love and laughter. I don't ever recall seeing Jim without a smile or that laugh. My heart goes out to all of the family especially your sons. Rest easy..*



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**A M L** - October 22, 2025 at 10:36 PM