



## Mr. Johnie Curtis

February 16, 1956 - November 11, 2020

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Mr. Johnie Curtis was born on February 16, 1956, in Widener, Arkansas to the late George Wesley, Sr., and the late Alma (Fred) Ivy. At an early age, Johnie was immersed in a loving Christian community, and he confessed his own faith to our Lord and Savior. Later in his life, he committed himself to the congregation of Madison Light Missionary Baptist Church in Madison, Arkansas.

Johnie departed this life on November 11, 2020, at the Mercy Lourdes Hospital in Paducah, Kentucky. He was preceded in death by his parents; his grandmother, Bessie Curtis; his sister, Wilma Curry; and his brother, Fredell Wesley.

He attended Forrest City High School, where he proudly graduated in 1974. Soon thereafter, Johnie graduated Cum Laude from The University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff with a dual degree in Business Administration and Mathematics. As he studied, he was an active and dedicated member of both the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity and the Vikings Bi Fidelity Society Incorporated. Johnie was an educator at heart –he retired after 27 years from Southcentral Bell in St. Louis, Missouri and was an adjunct Math Instructor at Arkansas

State University Mid-South College in West Memphis, Arkansas, as well as a part time employee with FedEx.

Above all, Johnie was deeply committed to cherishing and caring for his family.

He is survived by his wife, Beatrice Curtis of Madison, Arkansas; his son, Jonathan W. Curtis of St. Louis, Missouri; and his daughters, Melanie Curtis of Dallas, Texas, Camille (Byron) Speller of Valencia, California, and Brandi (Rodney) Rowe of Temple, Texas. He leaves behind eight grandchildren.

Johnie's memory is also preserved through his brother, George (Lillian) Wesley Jr. of Chicago, Illinois, and his sisters, Bessie (Melvin) Peoples of Little Rock, Arkansas, and Mary (Luther) Buckingham of West Memphis, Arkansas. His aunts: Thelma Dortch, Lillie Elliot, and Vera (Henry) Jones of Memphis, Tennessee, Estella Wesley and Thelma Harris of Champaign, Illinois, and one uncle, Roosevelt Curtis of Widener, Arkansas. Two special cousins: Katherine Curtis and Barbara Mooney. He also lives on through a host of nieces and nephews.

Johnie will be missed dearly by his family, and remembered fondly for his intelligence and strength of character.

"I have fought the fight. I have finished my course. I have kept the faith." -II Timothy 4:7

"remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. 4. For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you,." -1 Thessalonians 1:3-4

# Cemetery Details

## Scott Bond Cemetery

3254 Highway 70 East  
Madison , AR 72359

# Previous Events

## Visitation with a requirement of a face covering

NOV **20**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Miles J. Kimble Mortuary & Cremation  
1900 South Washington Street  
Forrest City, AR 72335  
(870) 633-1914  
mjkimble@yahoo.com  
<http://www.mjkmortuaryandcremation.com>

## Service with a requirement of a face covering

NOV **21**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Forrest City Civic Center  
1335 North Washington Street  
Forrest City, AR 72335

# Tribute Wall



“ James Lewis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnie Curtis



James Lewis - February 27, 2021 at 05:11 PM



“ Annie Spencer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnie Curtis



Annie Spencer - December 24, 2020 at 10:04 AM



“ My condolences; may the Lord strengthen your hearts through this difficult times 🙏



Joyce Parchman - November 22, 2020 at 11:31 PM



“ Johnathan and Melanie weeping may endure for a night but joy will come. Cherish the memories you made with your dad for he lives on in you. My condolences to the entire Curtis and Wesley family ❤️🌹🥹

Toni Terrell - November 22, 2020 at 05:50 PM

TT

“ Johnny Curtis it was a pleasure knowing you.  
We will always remember your smile!!



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**Toni Terrell** - November 22, 2020 at 05:26 PM

AN

“ To Beatrice, children and family member, it is my prayer that God will keep you in perfect peace during this time. Phillipian 4:13: I can do all things to God who give me strength.

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**Annette** - November 22, 2020 at 04:00 PM

PT

“ May each of you cherish the special memories of the life of Johnny. He left a legacy of a life well lived because he made a lasting contribution to his family, his church, and community. We had the honor of meeting Johnny at The University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff. Johnny and my husband were members of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. He was an awesome person. It was a joy to have known him. He possessed a smile that would light-up the world. Although we don't always understand why things happen as they do. we must have faith that in time, God will give us the answers. Please accept our warmest condolences in your loss. The Turner Family (Willie Turner and Patricia Smith Turner) also known as Pat & Pat

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**Patricia Turner** - November 21, 2020 at 11:49 AM

EH

“ Earnest & Fillis Hughes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnie Curtis



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**Earnest & Fillis Hughes** - November 21, 2020 at 11:12 AM



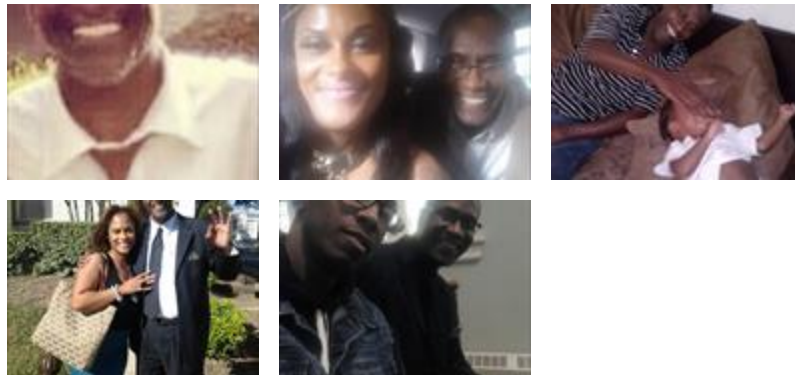
“ Alice Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnie Curtis



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**Alice Mitchell** - November 21, 2020 at 10:18 AM

MC

“ Love you Always daddy 🕊️❤️



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**Melanie Curtis** - November 20, 2020 at 04:00 PM

SB

“ 7 files added to the album Mr. Johnie Curtis, Math Instructor ASU Mid-South



Shermel Brown - November 20, 2020 at 02:45 PM

MC

Beautiful Photos of my father! Thanks for Sharing 🥰🙌

Melanie Curtis - November 20, 2020 at 03:58 PM

L(

“ The Williams Family.....Letitia, Terrance and Brandi.....Rest in Love.



Letitia (Tish)Williams - November 20, 2020 at 12:21 AM

L(

“ My heartfelt condolences...go out to Johnathan, Melanie, God-Son Terance and God-Daughter Brandi...Special Prayers to Beatrice.

Your Father always bragged about how wonderful you guys are. Our St Louis memories will always be in our hearts. Remember the donuts he fed you guys on a regular and the sugar rush that followed. I hope the t-shirts I have provided to each of you will be just the thing to put a smile on your face and flashbacks of St Louis.....

No matter wherever he is, he'll ALWAYS be watching over you and your children.....

"Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal"

*I Love You Guys. Tish. (Letitia Williams)*



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**Letitia (Tish)Williams** - November 19, 2020 at 11:23 PM

MC

Thanks god Moma , such kind words . Dad is smiling 😊 I'm sure

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**Melanie Curtis** - November 20, 2020 at 02:19 PM

 Resia  
Guyton-  
Robert

Thanks so much girlfriend for such kind words! Love y'all 🥰

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**Resia Guyton-Robert** - November 20, 2020 at 09:21 PM

DB

“ Although it has been some time since we last socialized together, I’ve never forgotten your great smile and upbeat attitude about life. I’ll miss the Ace of the Seductive Seven, Spring 1977 pledge line of the Gamma Sigma Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. Rest In Peace my brother until we laugh together again on that Golden Shore.



Dr. Stephen A. Broughton - November 19, 2020 at 04:49 PM

MC

Nice Stephen! Thanks on behalf of my dad !

Melanie Curtis - November 20, 2020 at 02:21 PM

JG

“ My deepest heart felt sympathy to the Curtis Family! To my Niece Melanie and Nephew Johnathan he will always be with you in your hearts and soul. Remember the laughter and fun times together and never forget the LOVE!! Stay strong and God Bless....Love Auntie Joyce and Uncle Doug ❤️



Joyce Guyton - November 19, 2020 at 02:06 PM

MC

Love you Auntie & unc

Melanie Curtis - November 20, 2020 at 02:23 PM

MH

My sincere condolences and deepest sympathy to the Curtis Family.

Mary Hall - November 21, 2020 at 08:15 PM

ST

“ Shirley W. Thorn lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnie Curtis



Shirley W. Thorn - November 19, 2020 at 01:48 PM

SB

“ Stacy Bailey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnie Curtis



Stacy Bailey - November 19, 2020 at 01:03 PM

LH

“ Sincere condolences to Bea and family. I know this is a difficult time and a big loss for you. Hold to God's unchanging hand! Praying for God to strengthen and comfort you! Be blessed!

L Hunter - November 19, 2020 at 12:21 PM

DG

“ Gone from our sight, But never forgotten in our hearts.. Sending my deepest sympathy to my Aunt Beatrice and his children 🙏🙏💖

Dianne Green - November 18, 2020 at 09:17 PM

BM

“ *Brenda Marlowe lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnie Curtis*



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**Brenda Marlowe** - November 18, 2020 at 08:41 PM

BR

“ *We will truly miss you! Rest in love* ❤️

*-Brandi & Camille*

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**Brandi Rowe** - November 18, 2020 at 04:32 PM

DA

“ *Doris Alexander lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnie Curtis*



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**Doris Alexander** - November 18, 2020 at 08:51 AM

MC

“ *So many beautiful sweet joyous memories shared with my father 🧡 Can't wait to see and hug you again 😞 Your forever with me in my heart🙏 Your spirit lives through me now until we meet again . Love you dearly.*



*Love your Daughter, Melanie*

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**Melanie Curtis** - November 18, 2020 at 08:31 AM



*Just remember all the fun memories with your dad growing up as a little girl bike riding with you and Jonathan and him riding you on the back of his bike. Trips to the beach and traveling to visit family. Just know he loved you guys to eternity. Love you babygirl!*

**Resia Guyton-Robert** - November 18, 2020 at 09:46 AM

EH

*May the Holy Spirit comfort you during this time of sorrow and His steadfast promises of eternal life give you peace.*

*Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness. Isaiah 41:10*

**Earnest& Fillis Hughes** - November 18, 2020 at 12:09 PM

RW

*Rev. Williams and Rosie from Widener remember you'll at this time.*

**Rosie Williams** - November 18, 2020 at 12:57 PM



“ *With heartfelt condolences Deaderick & I sending prayers to the Curtis family during this dark season! Continue to keep his children Johnathan & Melanie Curtis lifted up in prayer! Johnie God said your assignment is completed on this side of the earth. You can take your rest. Gone but never forgotten! RIP*



**Resia Guyton-Robert** - November 18, 2020 at 07:43 AM

CC

“Charlotte Coleman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Johnie Curtis



charlotte coleman - November 17, 2020 at 01:20 PM

SM

“My deepest sympathies go out to you and your family. May God give you the peace that you seek. Shirley Turner- Mosley

smosley12@msn.com - November 15, 2020 at 04:21 PM

DM

Rest in Peace Cousin Johnny I love you always until we meet in Paradise. My Deepest Condolences to da Curtis & Ivy Family. Praying for y'all 🙏🙏🙏

Donna Murphy - November 15, 2020 at 11:01 PM



My deepest sympathy to Beatrice and family!! May God comfort you during this time.

Alice Mitchell - November 21, 2020 at 10:21 AM

EH

Beatrice and family memory will never be forgotten, and we hope you and your family can find comfort in the people who love you. Earnest & Fillis Hughes

Earnest & Fillis Hughes - November 21, 2020 at 11:10 AM