



James Howard Hotnit

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Obituary for James “Jimmy” Howard Hotnit

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James “Jimmy” Howard Hotnit was born on October 17, 1938, the son of John Leroy Hotnit and Angeline Gertrude Essex Hotnit, in Lancaster, Ohio, the fourth of eight children. At the time of his demise, he resided in Suitland, MD.

Jimmy received his education in the Kanawha County, West Virginia public school system, and attended DuPont High School.

Upon being drafted for military service, he enlisted in the U.S. Army, receiving his basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri. His tour of duty included an overseas assignment in the European Theatre (USAREUR/France). His specialty was Engineering and Equipment Maintenance. He received an honorable discharge in 1964, separating from Ft. Hamilton, New York.

After his military career, he began working in the hospitality industry at the Daniel Boone Hotel in Charleston, West Virginia, one of Charleston’s most premier hotels. He remained in its employ until the hotel closed in 1981, after which he was employed at the Charleston Convention Center. After moving to the Washington, DC area, he employed at the World Bank.

Jimmy received his Christian training at a young age under the spiritual guidance of his grandparents, the late Rev. John Wesley Essex and Hallie Roberta Essex. When he moved to Washington, DC, he joined A.P. Shaw United Methodist Church, under the leadership of the late Rev. E.W. Stevenson, Sr., and served as a Senior Usher. Occasionally, he attended Union Temple Baptist Church with Charlotte. Health issues prevented him from attending church regularly, but he continued studying his Bible, his daily devotionals and praying until the Lord called him home on July 6, 2023. One of his favorite scriptures was Psalm 23.

He was very generous, a man of few words, who enjoyed being around his family at whatever event they found themselves gathering – birthday celebrations, holidays, reunions and cookouts. Jimmy loved eating and dining out! He loved baseball and would spend hours watching the games, and even had an opportunity to go to a Washington Nationals game with his nephew Eric.

Jimmy loved music – old school, jazz and gospel, and might even get up and “cut a rug”. He looked forward to reading the Washington Post newspaper (especially the sports section) and working its “Second Glance” puzzles. He enjoyed playing bingo and working puzzles from the handouts sent to him as a member of Sibley Hospital Senior Association program.

He could be found sitting in his favorite chair, watching the goings and comings in his neighborhood. The neighbors knew and looked out for his interest, and on many occasions brought him food to eat.

He was preceded in death by his father, John Leroy Hotnit, his mother, Angeline Essex Hotnit Dow, his step-father Robert (Daddy Bob) Elijah Dow; his siblings (in order of deaths) Betty Hotnit Williams, Carl Eugene Hotnit, Dorothy Seabrook and Wendell Franklin Hotnit.

He leaves behind his children: Gloria McCormick (Joseph), Dewight Robinson (Monica), Pamela Robinson (Lloyd), Victoria Robinson, Edna Hotnit and Marsha Robinson; two sisters, Charlotte Jefferson and Joyce Dow Harris (James A.G.) and one brother, Elijah Robert Dow (Wakeyla); nine grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, a host of nieces, nephews, and other relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery-Cheltenham

11301 Crain Highway
Chletenham , MD 20623

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **14**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

AUG **14**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



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Marshall-March Funeral Homes - August 11, 2023 at 09:51 AM



“ *James Howard Hotnit*

October 23, 2023 at 08:15 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of James Howard Hotnit.*



August 07, 2023 at 04:30 PM



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

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“ We the March Family and Marshall-March Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.

Marshall-March Funeral Homes - July 14, 2023 at 09:20 AM