



## Mr. James Nathaniel Ballentine

March 23, 2015

Mr. James Nathaniel Ballentine, Sr., 74, died at Duke Medical Center on March 23, 2015.

He is survived by his wife Annie Louise Ballentine and six children, Benita, James, Jr., Linda, Sylvia, Louisa and Chris; eleven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren; three sister, Bernice Roberts, Jonell Campbell and Lula Evans.

Funeral Service will be held on Monday, March 30, 2015 at 12 noon at First Calvary Baptist Church, 1311 Morehead Avenue, Durham, NC. The family will receive visitors one hour prior to the service and others at 1325 Heartside Street. Burial will follow at Oak Grove Memorial Garden.

# Cemetery Details

## Oak Grove Memorial Gardens

3712 Cheek Road  
Durham, NC 27704  
<http://Oakgrovememorial.org>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAR 30.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

First Calvary Baptist Church  
1311 Morehead Ave  
Durham, NC 27707  
[info@firstcalvary.org](mailto:info@firstcalvary.org)  
<http://firstcalvary.org>

## Service

**MAR 30.** 12:00 PM (ET)

First Calvary Baptist Church  
1311 Morehead Ave  
Durham, NC 27707  
[info@firstcalvary.org](mailto:info@firstcalvary.org)  
<http://firstcalvary.org>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. James Nathaniel Ballentine*

October 05, 2023 at 11:31 AM



“ *I am saddened to hear of the passing of Mr. James Ballentine and especially almost 2 years ago. James and I worked in the Operating rooms in the 1980's. Living near McDougal Terrace, we would sometimes walk home from work. He was and continues to be role model. It was my pleasure knowing him. Also his wife provided Day Care for my son in the early 80's. Sorry for the extremely late entry, But I wanted you to know. Peace. Howard T Williams Jr*

Howard T Williams jr - March 17, 2017 at 05:14 PM



“ *We worked together many years ago at duke hospital. I would like to offer my dearest condolences.*

Byron Reid - July 14, 2015 at 10:49 AM



“ *I love you! I miss you!*  
*Benita*



Benita Ballentine - April 29, 2015 at 10:23 PM

MY

“ Hi We would like to send words of comfort to the Ballentine Family from the Withers Kearney, Smith and Young Family. You are in our prayers and have our sympathy.

Margaret Withers Young - March 30, 2015 at 09:57 AM

MY

“ Margaret Withers Young lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Nathaniel Ballentine



Margaret Withers Young - March 30, 2015 at 09:46 AM

MA

“ Margaret Abdullah lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Nathaniel Ballentine



Margaret Abdullah - March 30, 2015 at 08:16 AM

MA

I have known James Ballentine all of my life and have always admired him. He will always be in my heart. His family is in my prayers.

Margaret Abdullah - March 30, 2015 at 08:22 AM



We worked together many years ago at duke hospital. I would like to offer my dearest condolences.

Byron Reid - July 14, 2015 at 10:48 AM



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**Byron Reid** - July 14, 2015 at 10:48 AM

MM

“ *Mercer Morgan lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Nathaniel Ballentine*



**Mercer Morgan** - March 29, 2015 at 09:11 PM

DW

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during your this time.He always had words that motivated you to do the best that you can.He will be missed.Dwight Womble,Tacuma Womble and family*

**Dwight Womble** - March 29, 2015 at 01:03 PM

BG

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**benita Gamble** - March 29, 2015 at 10:05 AM

LC

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the Ballentine family. I pray for comfort for the family during this hour of bereavement. Lots of love.*

*Levones Taylor Chisholm*

Levones Taylor Chisholm - March 28, 2015 at 04:44 PM



“ *Benita Gamble lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Nathaniel Ballentine*



Benita Gamble - March 28, 2015 at 10:32 AM



“ *Benita R. Ballentine was added to the Family Tree.*

Benita Gamble - March 28, 2015 at 10:31 AM

BJ

“ *My deepest sympathies go out to you and your family. May God give you the comfort and peace that you seek and may the soul of your loved one rest in peace. - B. Jenkins & Family*

Beverly Jenkins - March 26, 2015 at 11:24 PM

WR

*The Hillside PTSA would like to send condolences to the family of Sylvia B. Knight in the loss of her father. Please know that our prayers will be with you as you go through this time of sorrow. God has you in the palm of his hands and he does no wrong. Keep the Faith and look to the hills..... HHS- PTSA*

Wanda Bass Rudd - March 28, 2015 at 04:43 PM



*\* Sharing these kind words of truth from...  
Rev. Curtis E. Gatewood...*

*IN HONOR OF THE BROTHER JAMES NATHANIEL BALLENTINE.  
DURHAM HAS LOST A JUSTICE GIANT. TO BROTHER JAMES AND  
FAMILY, YOU HAVE THE BEST OF MY LOVE.*

*Brother James Nathaniel Ballentine was such a conscious and great man! He always made me feel he was in my corner before my freedom-fighting activities in Durham were as acceptable as they are now that I have begun working with prominent leaders across the state of North Carolina and have seen many on the wrong side of justice rise and fall .*

*Brother James loved justice. You show me a man who does not love justice and I will show you a man who does not love most people on earth. I will show you a man who does not love himself. I will show you a man who does not love God.*

*I know Brother Ballentine loved God because Brother Ballentine loved us. I would see him almost everywhere Durham would have an assembly regarding freedom or justice whether it be at a school board meeting, a homeless shelter, or the Know Book Store.*

*Jesus' measurement for loving him was not how high we could jump; not how many church services we can attend; not how many scriptures we can quote; and not how much money we could put into the tithe basket, but how much we loved and served the most vulnerable. Brother James went beyond the call of duty doing his part in this regard.*

*Those of us who saw that love from Brother Ballentine up close will forever miss him and never forget him.*

*To his beautiful family, we pray for you and will always honor the memory of this beautiful and great man, Brother James Nathaniel Ballentine! Keeping him in my memory will without a doubt keep me inspired to do more!*

*Brother Ballentine is in a better place, but Durham and this world have become a little less righteous unless the love he had for Durham and the people is restored by those of us who love justice, righteousness, and God the Almighty!*

*Rev. Curtis E. Gatewood*

*P.S. Brother rest in peace, you are loved!*

**Benita Gamble** - March 29, 2015 at 09:56 AM