



Mr. Otis Gene Dean

October 3, 1952 - July 9, 2023

On Sunday, July 9, 2023, Mr. Otis Gene Dean, age 70, departed this life at Duke Regional Hospital, in Durham, North Carolina.

Otis is preceded in death by his father Lindsey Alvin Dean, Sr., mother Sadie Mae McLean Dean, brother Lindsey Alvin Dean, brother Lindsey Alvin Dean the second and brother Charles Edward Dean.

He leaves to cherish his memory his children, Sonya Dean, Evita Ballantine (Lamont Ballantine), Francesca Dean, step-daughter Wenona Battle (Linwood Battle), step-daughter Stephanie Joiner, step-daughter Marie Dean; brothers, Dwight Dean, Gerry Dean, Everett Dean and James Earl Dean; sisters, Joyce Dean Prince, Teresa Dean, Janice Dean Covington, Sharon Dean Bailey, Caryn Dean Hassell (Daniel Hassell, Jr.) and Barbara Dean; grandchildren, Karima Dean, Santonio Dean, Omarion Dean, Kayden Dean Cotton, Laneese Ballantine, Jada Caldwell, Lathan Dean, Jayce Holman, Kiera Battle, Christopher Joiner, Jaquel Brothers, Amber Joiner, Jason Byrd, Tyrreck Byrd and Jayla Byrd; former wives, Narvell Joiner and Evita Gibson; and a host of great grandchildren, nieces, nephews and other loved ones.

Public viewing has been scheduled for Wednesday, July 12, 2023, from 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., at Scarborough & Hargett Celebration of Life Center, Inc., 309 N Queen Street, Durham, North Carolina 27701.

Services to celebrate the life of Mr. Otis Gene Dean will take place on Thursday, July 13, 2023, at The River Church; 4900 Prospectus Drive, Durham, North Carolina 27713, visitation, 12:00 p.m. and celebration of life service at 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Otis Gene Dean will be laid to rest in Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Cemetery Details

Oak Grove Memorial Gardens

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

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL 13. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

The River Church Inc
4425 Ben Franklin Blvd.
Durham, NC 27704
<http://www.theriverdurham.com/>

Celebration of Life

JUL 13. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Otis Gene Dean*

October 05, 2023 at 11:31 AM



“ *I miss you so much grandpa*



Karima Dean - July 14, 2023 at 06:45 PM



Always ❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️🥹

Sonya Dean - July 16, 2023 at 07:51 PM



“ *Dear Uncle Otis we are all going to miss you .You always encouraged to get a good education. You were a man of peace and wisdom. Family gatherings will not be the same without you. We Love You. Rest In Heaven You niece Sandra*

Sandra Prince - July 13, 2023 at 07:31 AM



“ *Karima Dean lit a candle in memory of Mr. Otis Gene Dean*



Karima Dean - July 12, 2023 at 11:27 PM

JB

“ Hi Sonya, Sending Prayers and Condolences to you and your family.

Jennifer Betts

Jennifer Betts - July 12, 2023 at 03:11 PM

JL

“ Sonya I am so sorry for your loss. My condolences to you and your family. Praying for strength and peace during this difficult time.

Julia Lee

Julia Lee - July 12, 2023 at 02:41 PM

CK

“ Pop Otis was a cool dude and always gave us wise advise... from day one he treated me like family and always had a smile on his face. He would correct us when we wrong and acknowledge us when we did great. RIH We love you



Cherie Brandon Kelly - July 12, 2023 at 12:51 PM

BE

“ condolences to the family

Bernadette - July 12, 2023 at 10:02 AM

CW

“ my condolences to you sonya and family. sending love and light to you during this difficult time

Candis Woods - July 12, 2023 at 09:51 AM

JJ

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I will keep you guys in my prayers during this difficult time. Jason Jolly

Jason Jolly - July 12, 2023 at 09:44 AM

EB

“ Dad I will always miss the times that we had together. I know that you are in a better place now .we love you deeply and you will never be forgotten



Evita Ballentine - July 12, 2023 at 06:24 AM

SD

“ My Big Poppa always knew how to make you laugh! How I wish he could say something funny to me one more time. I was with you at the start of your journey into fatherhood and I was with you til your last breath. I will cherish your memory always and forever. ❤️



Sonya Dean - July 11, 2023 at 09:35 PM

SD

I would like to thank everyone for all thoughts, prayers and gifts during this difficult time. Your kindness will never be forgotten ❤️🙏

Sonya Dean - July 16, 2023 at 07:55 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr. Otis Gene Dean.

July 11, 2023 at 08:08 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Otis Gene Dean.*



July 11, 2023 at 08:08 PM



“ *Karima Dean lit a candle in memory of Mr. Otis Gene Dean*



Karima Dean - July 11, 2023 at 08:03 PM



Gpa will always be with you❤️I love the smile you always put on my Big Poppa face.❤️

Sonya Dean - July 11, 2023 at 09:27 PM



“ *Karima Dean purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr. Otis Gene Dean.*



Karima Dean - July 11, 2023 at 07:55 PM

KD

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Karima Dean - July 11, 2023 at 07:55 PM

LW

“ Condolences to the Dean family from LARRY WILLIAMS A GOOD FRIEND, MILWAUKEE WI. REST IN HEAVEN OTIS.



Larry Williams - July 11, 2023 at 12:16 PM

DJ

“ Condolences to the Dean family

Doreatha Jones - July 11, 2023 at 10:25 AM

KD

“ I love you forever and always papa ❤️



Karima Dean - July 10, 2023 at 10:08 PM

RB

“ Ronald McCray & Sharon Dean Bailey purchased the Magnificent Life Spray for the family of Mr. Otis Gene Dean.



Ronald McCray & Sharon Dean Bailey - July 10, 2023 at 09:53 PM

BD

“ Barbara Dean purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Mr. Otis Gene Dean.



Barbara Dean - July 10, 2023 at 08:55 PM

DH

“ Daniel & Caryn Hassell purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Mr. Otis Gene Dean.



Daniel & Caryn Hassell - July 10, 2023 at 06:26 PM

JP

“ Joyce Dean Prince purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Mr. Otis Gene Dean.



Joyce Dean Prince - July 10, 2023 at 06:03 PM