

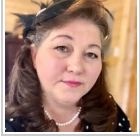


# James Williamson

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# Tribute Wall



“*Forgive me if I ramble, misspell or use poor grammar and punctuation. This is very hard to do. If you knew my dad, you understood that he did not have an ideal childhood. I am sure that it contributed in some way to the man he became. You would also know that he was an elementary school drop out that was smarter than most anyone I know. That he was fearless and would run toward the danger rather than away. He was often not a very well behaved man. But I am certain that he asked God to forgive him for his wrongdoings (the ones he could recall). It would surprise most people to know he read the Bible daily, and that he prayed. He knew that in order to see my precious Momma and those he lost before he had to get through the gates of heaven and I feel like he made it there this morning. If you ever find yourself in any of the Baldwin County Libraries and you check out a western you will very large and shaky JW or a red star stamp. He read them all so we had to find a way to mark them so I didn't check out the same one twice. When he lived with us, he taught my boys about war and bombs and guns and knives, Jacob could get dressed, and make his own breakfast before he was four years old with Dad standing over him directing him how to do it. Tristan absorbed his military knowledge and grew to love everything about it. He watched cartoons with me as a little girl and read the Sunday comics to me. I know my love of reading comes from him and probably my Aunt Ruby they are the only two people I knew that read all the time. He loved my Momma. I know he often could be cruel to her and I can't forget that but I try daily to forgive him for it because the alcohol he needed made him a demon. But, when he was sober he was a loving man. I want everyone to know that he quit drinking several years ago. We never discussed it, just one day the case of beer that I had bought him never moved and I thanked God and my Aunt Ida who I know prayed for him to give it up every day of her life. I find it amazing that today marks the third anniversary of her passing and he followed her and passed today. I am sure when they where children she must have treated him like her own little baby boy because she sure treated him that way until she passed, and he is with her now so she can keep her eye on him. He was proud to have been in the*

*Navy and told some wild stories. He was an animal lover and never got over his little dog Pats disappearance. He kept her picture in arms reach at all times. I know he was not a very good stepfather when my sisters were young but he asked about them both while he was still awake. He had a dear friend that stayed by his side for several years now Mike King.*

*He was an angel sent from God to watch over Daddy as I worked and tried to raise my family. He cooked, cleaned, washed and tolerated all of daddy's fussing and cussing with a little giggle. Yall keep Mike in your prayers as Dads passing not only leaves him lost but soon to be homeless. I know that a lot of people felt like I didn't do enough and I really didn't. He would not let me do many things for him that I would have. But that is where his favorite granddaughter comes in. Donna Marie! She had a way with him that Mike nor myself could ever understand. If Donna walked in and said let's this he never argued he just went along with whatever she wanted him to do. He ran off every home health caretaker in Mobile and Baldwin County but not her if she said move he put that scooter in gear and followed her orders. One of the last things he said before he went to sleep was, he motioned for her to lean down and he whispered "I Love You" to her and she yelled I love you right back. It was a moment I will treasure always. Well, I have nearly reached my word limit but before I go I ask that you all forgive the man he was and love the man he could have been.*

*I Love You, Daddy! I know you may not have believed me when I said it but I really did!*

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**Angie Holder** - October 05, 2018 at 02:11 PM

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*Well said sister you are a great daughter and he knew that. I love you.  
Bonnie*

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**Bonnie Powell** - October 05, 2018 at 07:09 PM



*May he rest in peace forevermore I love you Angie*

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**Donna Marie** - October 05, 2018 at 07:20 PM