



James "Bubba" Michael Alfred

October 26, 1944 - November 11, 2022

James "Bubba" Michael Alfred, Age 78, of Montgomery and Houston, Texas passed away peacefully on November 11, 2022, with his two daughters, and one of his granddaughters (Hailey) by his side.

James and his four siblings were raised in Houston, Texas by his parents James Robert and Willie V. Alfred. James was Baptized at a young age in the family church Beacon Baptist Church in Houston, Texas. He attended MB Smiley High School where he played baseball and basketball, graduating in 1963. James joined the Carpenters Local 213 on October 4, 1963.

He met his wife Betty Jean Moore and they were married at the same church where he was saved. James and Betty welcomed their first daughter Tammy Renee Alfred on May 17, 1966. They joyfully raised their little family in the North Houston community until welcoming their second daughter Terri Lynn Alfred, on August 12, 1969.

Around 1972 James moved his young family to the suburbs where they bought their first home in Spring, Texas. The four of them lived there until James and Betty's divorce in 1974.

James married Glenis Taylor on November 6, 1974, becoming a stepfather to her two-year-old daughter and blending their two families together. During this time he was a very attentive father, never missing an opportunity to spend time with his girls. After James and Glenis divorced in 1976, James continued to be a doting father while working hard to provide for his family and climb the ladder in the Carpenters Local 213. On December 8, 1978, he married

Rosemary Carie in Harris County, Texas, and blended their families of five children. All the while James continued to spend every possible moment with Tammy and Terri, even allowing them to bring along friends and cousins for their visits. He continued advancing in the Carpenters Local, becoming Business Representative for the United Brotherhood Of Carpenters Local Union 213 on January 1, 1980. He continually held this esteemed position until March 1, 1987.

James, along with his daughter Tammy and her husband Scott Thomas, welcomed his first grandchild, Hunter Michaela Thomas, on August 12, 1993. Just two years later both arms were full when his second grandchild, Hailey Morgan Thomas, was born to Scott and Tammy on October 2, 1995. Terri and her husband Mike Thomas gifted James his third granddaughter on January 24, 1996, with the birth of Sidney Taryn Thomas. He was blessed with a full lap when his only grandson Tanner Michlane Thomas arrived on June 27, 2000. James was a proud grandfather for 20 years before being awarded one of the highest honors a patriarch can attain, Great-Grandfather. Hunter Michaela surprised the family with not one, but two, bouncing baby boys, Ryder Alan and Ayden Michael on February 19, 2014. Sugar and spice were once again sprinkled upon him on January 4, 2022, with the birth of his first great-granddaughter Laiklynn Kay, daughter of Hunter Michaela. Soon after, snips and snails once again filled his pockets with a brand new great-grandson, Silas David, son of Sidney Thomas born October 11, 2022, exactly a month before James went to be with the Lord.

James was a master craftsman all of his adult life, rising in the ranks of the Carpenters Local 213 and 551. A leader, respected, and admired, James was elected to five consecutive Presidencies as well as Delegate Council from 2001-2004. James took early retirement on May 1, 2006, due to declining health. During his almost 60-year tenure in the Carpenters Union, Mr. Alfred enjoyed a brotherhood with many local carpenters as well as their families. He traveled all over the country meeting and leading others during his service to the UBC as president and agent. He touched many lives and had the

admiration of young apprentices as well as experienced journeymen who will certainly miss his skill and wisdom.

He was preceded in death by his parents James Robert and Willie V. Alfred and his youngest brother Ronnie Wayne Alfred.

James is survived by his daughters Tammy Thomas (Scott) and Terri Curtis (Bud) all of Montgomery, Texas, his four grandchildren Hunter Michaela Thomas, Hailey Morgan Thomas, Sidney Taryn Thomas (Jonathan Marts) all of Montgomery, Tanner Michlane Thomas (Peyton Holder) of Willis, Texas, four great-grandchildren, Ryder Alan Thomas, Ayden Michael Thomas, Laiklynn Kay Gallion, and Silas David Marts, all of Montgomery. He is survived by his sisters Ernestine Forbus and Patsy McCorkle (Robert) both of Cleveland, Texas as well as brother Richard Lee Alfred of Splendora, Texas. He is survived by numerous nieces and nephews, great-nieces and nephews as well as friends and distant family.

Visitation with family and friends will be held at 1 PM Friday, November 18, 2022, at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Montgomery. A celebration of his life will follow at 2 PM Friday, November 18 also at the funeral home, with interment directly following at Copeland Chapel Cemetery in Montgomery, Texas.

Arrangements are under the direction of Sam Houston Memorial funeral home of Montgomery, TX, and flowers may be delivered to them. Pallbearers assisting family, Richard Allen Alfred, Ronnie Alfred, J. D. Graham, Eric McHugh, Tanner Thomas, Scott Thomas, Bud Curtis, and Thomas Williams. Meal to follow with covered dish Mexican-style foods with family and friends after graveside services. The location for the meal and memories is Terri and Bud's house, 15424 Queen Elizabeth Court, Montgomery, TX 77316 in Crown Oaks - Gate code #2485. Terri-936-443-1640

Cemetery Details

Copeland Chapel Cemetery

Copelan Chapel Rd
Montgomery, TX 77316

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 18. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Montgomery
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Celebration Of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ I need to correct my post. My sister in law's name was Rosemary Thomason NOT Thompson. Her name on his obituary is listed as Rosemary Carie which is incorrect. Her maiden name was Rosemary Carey but she had married a man by the name of Ray Thomason and used his name until they divorced. After she and James divorced she reverted back to using the name of Thomason which is the last name of her 3 children by her late and x husband Ray.

Terry Vance - December 11, 2025 at 04:11 PM

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“ My name is Terry Vance of Houston, Texas. James was my brother in law during the time he was married to my sister in law Rosemary Thompson.

My late wife Mary aka Sissy was the half sister to Rosie. My son Stevie and I always liked James. When my wife and I lived on Gary Lane not too far from where James and Rosie were living, he came by the house and installed a new tile floor in the entrance hallway.

My wife was very proud of his work. I was very sad when Rosie divorced James. We didn't agree with Rosie on this. I never got along with her after this.

My wife died on August 2, 2003 from a rare form of female cancer. While I was still living there I came out of a store and I saw James walking out headed to his vehicle.

I tried to catch up with him but he drove off before I could catch up with him.

I was surprised to see him in this part of town since he had moved away after his divorce from Rosie.

I really wanted to speak with him since I always considered him a friend and found him to be a very nice person.

I had heard he had passed away from my oldest son Stevie. I found his obituary on line today and my son spoke of how generous he was. He gave my son \$200 to help him with buying some things for his drum set.

We both agree that Rosie was wrong by divorcing him. My son and I have nothing to do with Rosie now.

I wished we could tell his 2 daughters of how sorry we are to learn of his death.

If anyone who happens to read this plz tell his daughters we are sorry to learn of his death.

I can be contacted at 713-385-5252 or by email at terryhvance49@gmail.com

God bless his family.

Terry and Stevie Vance

Terry Vance - December 11, 2025 at 04:00 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James "Bubba" Michael Alfred.*



November 17, 2022 at 02:44 PM