



## Jerry Wayne Atkins

January 22, 1974 - November 5, 2022

Jerry Wayne Atkins, Jr., affectionately known as “Stuff”, transitioned peacefully into eternal rest on November 5, 2022, at the age of 48, after a courageous battle with an aggressive Glioblastoma Brain Cancer. Jerry was born on January 22, 1974, in Stamford, Connecticut to Karen Austin-Williams and the late Jerry W. Atkins, Sr.

Jerry attended school in Stamford, Connecticut, a graduate of J.M. Wright Technical School - Class of 1992.

Jerry was employed as a truck driver with The Antique and Artisan Gallery at the time his illness began. He was gifted as a handyman and could assemble and fix anything. Known to the poet world as J-Love, his true passion was writing poetry, putting it to music and creating spoken word, which was performed at many venues throughout Connecticut, New York, Maryland and Virginia. His laughter was contagious, and his happiness was infectious. Jerry was optimistic, joyful, fun, and wherever he ventured, he was well known. His presence, especially his smile, would brighten any room and will be missed.

Jerry leaves to cherish his memory; his devoted and loving companion, Delores McDow of New Canaan, Connecticut; a son, Jerry W. Atkins, III of Stamford, Connecticut, his beloved mother and step-father, Karen Austin Williams and Willie Williams; a sister and brother-in-law, Dawn Atkins-McDonald and Eric McDonald of Atlanta, Georgia; his paternal-grandmother, Hattie Jones of San Antonio, Texas; three aunts, Kay Atkins Onocilla (Dennis),

Alfreda Atkins Dumas (Ray) of San Antonio, Texas and Sheri Atkins of Stamford, Connecticut; a niece, Sofia McDonald and a nephew, Brian McDonald both of Atlanta, Georgia; a godmother, Carolyn McKenzie of Norwalk, Connecticut, a special friend (like no other), Angelo Sanchez of Stamford, Connecticut; a host of other relatives and friends.

In addition to his father, Jerry is predeceased by his maternal-grandparents, Helen and David Austin, paternal-grandfather, Alfred Atkins, and Uncle David Austin, III.

Jerry, A Generous, Kindhearted, Humble Soul

We thank the Lord for the love you have given us for 48 beautiful years that we will always cherish by God's Amazing Grace.

REST IN PEACE

A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, November 18, 2022 at 5:00PM at Graves Medley Funeral Services, 31 Stillwater Ave., Stamford, CT.

Interment will be private.

# Cemetery Details

**Private**

# Previous Events

## Memorial

NOV 18. 5:00 PM (ET)

Graves Medley Funeral Services  
31 Stillwater Avenue  
Stamford, CT 06902  
(203) 323-2666

# Tribute Wall

KC

“ *Papa Jay (PJ) will forever be in our hearts!*

*-Love Kaili and Cameron*



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**Kaili, Cameron** - November 21, 2022 at 10:56 AM

RW

“ *Ralo And Kiki Williams lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Atkins*



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**Ralo and Kiki Williams** - November 21, 2022 at 10:45 AM

DA

“ *Donna Aekins lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Atkins*



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**Donna Aekins** - November 19, 2022 at 10:29 PM

AV

“ *Karen, Dawn and family... My sincere and heartfelt condolences on the loss of your loved one 🙏*

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**Anita (“Nete”) McCray (Alexandria, VA)** - November 18, 2022 at 05:08 PM

TA

“ TONYA AEKINS lit a candle in memory of Jerry Wayne Atkins



TONYA AEKINS - November 18, 2022 at 02:12 PM

AN

“ I have been speechless since I heard about this. Absolutely loved Jerry! My condolences to you Karen and Dawn. No more suffering, he is now flying high with the Lord our God.

Angel

Angel - November 18, 2022 at 11:26 AM

DL

“ Doug Levitan purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jerry Wayne Atkins.



Doug Levitan - November 18, 2022 at 10:49 AM

NI

“ To Karen and family members I was saddened to here of Jerry's passing. It brought back memories of how Karen and I met. My heart hurts for you and I will pray for your strength during this most difficult time. Nancy

Nancy Irick-Hurdle - November 17, 2022 at 08:46 AM

ST

“ Karen and Dawn, my sincere condolences for the loss of your son, and brother.

Stephanie - November 16, 2022 at 11:40 AM

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“ Stephanie sent a virtual gift in memory of Jerry Wayne Atkins



Stephanie - November 16, 2022 at 11:38 AM

JO

“ To Karen and family I give my condolences God Bless Joy Poteau

Joy - November 15, 2022 at 10:14 PM

AL

“ Please accept my most sincere heartfelt condolences for the loss of your love one. Words seem almost inadequate to describe the joy and happiness that his presence generated when he was in your company. I will always treasure the delight I felt in seeing him a short time ago. May words of comfort help to ease the pain of his loss . Also be comforted in knowing that he rests peacefully and eternally in the loving arms of his LORD and SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST. Gone but never forgotten.

Alice Faye Langley - November 15, 2022 at 07:43 PM

TD

“ To Jerry family I got to know Jerry since middle school days always humble and well spoken. He will be missed, and I wish him peace in his other life and no more pain and suffering.....RIP Jerry....

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**Tonya Daniels** - November 15, 2022 at 05:53 PM