



MSGT James H. Austin

AUG 29, 1932 - FEB 25, 2015



Scan to Visit

Table of Contents

Obituary	Page 3
Events	Page 4
Tribute Wall	Page 5



MSGT James H. Austin

AUG 29, 1932 - FEB 25, 2015

James (Jim) Hillard Austin, 82, passed away peacefully at Tacoma General Hospital in Tacoma, WA, after an extended illness. He was born in Philadelphia, PA. and attended West Philadelphia High School where he was valedictorian of his class.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Mitchell and Mamie Austin. He retired from the US Air Force in 1972 after 22 years of service. Following his military service, Jim made his home in Tacoma, WA working as an air traffic controller for 10 years and retiring after 22 years spent working at the Washington State Liquor Control Board.

Jim is survived by his devoted wife of 63 years, Justine, and children: Marcia Lynne Azizi (Akil), Lakewood, WA, Sheryl Lindsay, Tacoma, WA, 2 sisters Carlene Gordon and Beverly Staley (Vincent) of Philadelphia, PA, one brother, George Austin (Jean) of Philadelphia, PA, 2 granddaughters Malantha Tinsley, Smyrna, GA, and Mahalia Burns, Tacoma, WA, 2 great grandchildren, Adriana Clanton and Malachai Brown, one sister-in-law Verona Adkins, New Orleans, LA, special sister, Janie, along with many nieces, nephews, and very close friends.

The family would like to thank the staff of Heartwood Extended Care Center, Tacoma General Hospital and St. Joseph Hospital for their loving care and support of Jim and his family during his illness.

Graveside services will be held on April 11, 2015, 11:00 A.M. at Mountain View Funeral Home with a reception following at St. John Baptist Church, 12 Noon located at 2001 South J Street, Tacoma, 98405.




Events


MSGT James H. Austin

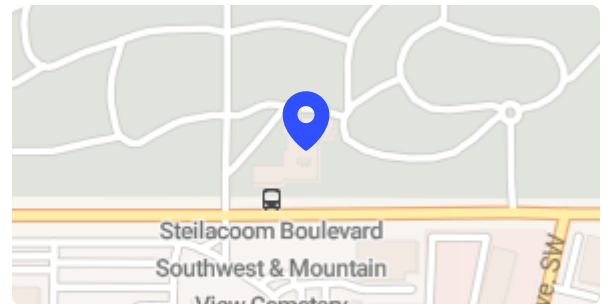
AUG 29, 1932 - FEB 25, 2015

Graveside Service


 **Saturday**, April 11, 2015


 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM PT

 **Mountain View Memorial Park**
4100 Steilacoom Blvd. SW, Lakewood WA 98499

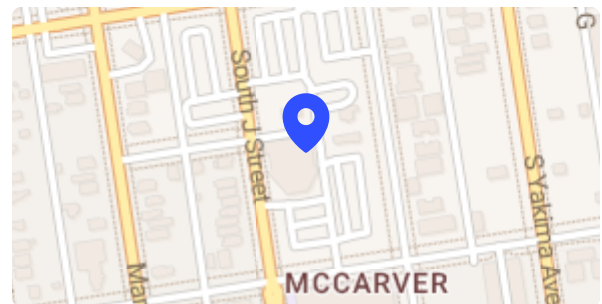


Reception

 **Saturday**, April 11, 2015

 12:00 PM PT

 **St. John Baptist Church**
2001 S J St., TACOMA WA 98405





Tribute Wall

MSGT James H. Austin

AUG 29, 1932 - FEB 25, 2015

EJ

Eugene St.John posted:

To Jim's family and especially Justine.I am so saddened by recently hearing of the loss of Jim and I hope these words will help in your time of grief.I had the honor and privilege of working with Jim for many years, while I was the Executive Director of the Washington Public Employees Association--- the union that represented Jim and his fellow employees at the state Liquor Control Board. Jim served his fellow members at the LCB, but also or behalf of WPEA's thousands of members across our State, on its Board of Directors as well as its many Committees. I particularly remember Jim's activism, whether in relations with managers at the Seattle Warehouse where he worked, on picket lines for many union activities, and in political action and lobbying the legislature for pay raises, benefits, pensions and more. Jim was ALWAYS there when we needed him-- he could ALWAYS be counted on. More importantly, Jim was one of the most positive people I have ever met--- he kept our spirits up, when times were tough. I thoroughly enjoyed his friendship all those years and have thought of him many, many times--- since I retired form the WPEA 12 years ago. Jim was very special and I will always remember him with fond memories.Eugene St.John

March 10 at 9:09 AM

JQ

John W. Quarles posted:

To the family of MSGT James H. Austin:Our sincere condolences to the family for your loss.Our hearts and prayers are with you in your time of mourning.Sincerely, John W. Quarles and Family

April 13 at 1:43 PM



Anonymous sent a Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White to the Austin family.

April 10 at 6:15 AM



MG

Mary Green posted:

Joe and I will miss the trips, card games and fun we have had with Jim and You the last 35 years. He was such a giving and fun person. Your family stays in our prayers. We love you all.Mary & Joe Green

March 19 at 4:31 AM



Tribute Wall

MSGT James H. Austin

AUG 29, 1932 - FEB 25, 2015



Karen Priest posted:

Mrs. Austin, I'm so sorry to hear the loss of your husbands. May the wonderful memories carry you through this time of sorrow. Remember to breath! I love you. Karen Lambertsen Priest

March 18 at 2:16 PM



Harold Lambertsen posted:

Justine and Family. So sorry to hear about this. Just read about this am from MtView Obits, I will let both my girls know about this loss of your husband and all his loved ones. Harold Lambertsen and Family

March 18 at 2:34 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring MSGT James by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



Scan to Visit