



## Deacon James A. Brantley

January 30, 1934 - May 8, 2019

James A. Brantley was born on January 30, 1934 in Picken, Arkansas to Lucille Bullard and Dave Brantley Sr.

He moved to New Haven, CT in 1955 along with his wife, Melody. James joined Union Temple FWB Church in 1956, where he consistently and faithfully exercised his love of God and served on the Deacon Board for 62 years. James was employed by Eli Whitney Technical School for 25 years through his retirement and worked as an apprentice while maintaining multiple properties across New Haven. James was a strong, kind and loving man of God, truly sent to us from the Lord. He imparted wisdom of life and faith within all of those who knew him. He was a well-respected man within his community and loved his family and friends dearly and unconditionally. The essence of his soul and spirit will no doubt, live on in our hearts forever. He is survived by his wife, Melody Brantley, to whom he was married for 64 years, his sisters Dorothy Bullard of Star City, Arkansas, Versi-Lee Johnson of McGehee, Arkansas, and brothers, Napoleon Brantley of West Haven, CT and Herman (Veronica) Brantley of New Haven, CT and Obie Bullard of Arkansas. James is also survived by his 8 children, Charles (Lisa) Gardner Sr of New Haven Ct, James (May) Brantley Jr of New Haven Ct, Charlene Hayes of New Haven Ct, Annette Brantley of New Haven Ct, Ivory Brantley of New Haven Ct, Silvester (Angela) Brantley of Hamden Ct, Armajean (Noel) Rhule of Bloomfield Ct , Floyd Brantley of New Haven Ct and 22 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren. He was preceded by his parents, Dave Brantley Sr and Lucille

Bullard, brothers, William Brantley, Dave Brantley Jr. Alphonzo Brantley, Oscar Bullard and Joe-Lester Bullard, as well as his sister, Dorothy-Ray Thomas.

# Cemetery Details

## Evergreen Cemetery

769 Ella T Grasso Blvd  
New Haven, CT 06519  
(203) 624-5505

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

**MAY 16.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Union Temple Baptist Church  
54 Platt Street  
New Haven, CT 06511

## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Deacon James A. Brantley*

October 09, 2023 at 06:14 AM



“ *Hello family of deacon Brantley can say that deacon Brantley was a very very faithful member of Union temple church Newhaven CT I don't think there was not one time I was to a program at union temple and didn't see deacon Brantley always welcome you to Union temple church where late rev Herman Epps was pastor Lord bless the family during this time and after Donald whitted. Lake City ga.*

Donald whitted - May 27, 2019 at 02:48 PM



“ *To: Floyd Brantley and his family,  
So sorry to hear about your dad passing away. Keeping you Floyd in daily prayers and strength. Your dad is resting now, he will be your angel watching over you. Lastly give your mom a hug for me. Have a bless day.*

*Sincerely  
Ms. Kim Washington Family*



Kimberly Washington - May 17, 2019 at 05:37 PM



“ *To the Brantley family I want to send you my condolences. Sorry for your loss I have been praying for your family strength and comfort.*

Melvin Moye - May 16, 2019 at 08:48 PM

MB

“ *May God comfort you Sister Brantley and Family. Deacon repaired my Furnances at all of my Properties for years. He was always a Man of God.*



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**Mabel Brown** - May 16, 2019 at 10:09 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Deacon James A. Brantley.*



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May 15, 2019 at 11:07 AM

BM

“ *Brantley family,  
May God comfort you during your time of sorrow  
Deacon Brantley was a pleasure to be around  
Earth has no sorrow that heaven cannot heal  
forever in our prayers  
Pastor Betty Marks & New Growth Praise Center*

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**betty marks** - May 14, 2019 at 10:18 AM

TD

“ *Ms Annette, Tasha and family  
May you find comfort during this difficult time  
praying for you all*

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**Towanna S Duncan** - May 14, 2019 at 10:13 AM

DW

*Deacon James Brantley was a man amongst all men. He showed men how to be a man. I am grateful that I had the chance to be in his Circle a part of my life. A man who loves his family and others as well. I am thankful that I got the chance to know him he definitely has a spot in heaven.*

Donnie Williams - May 16, 2019 at 08:46 AM

JB

*Thank you 🙏*

jean brantley - July 30, 2019 at 07:06 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Deacon James A. Brantley.*



May 12, 2019 at 10:18 PM

Lillie  
Carmon

“ *My deepest Sympathy & condolences to the Brantley family you all are in my prayers.*

Lillie Carmon - May 12, 2019 at 11:36 AM

SH

“ *May you love laugh and sing together in remembering a great man . My heart and 🙏 go to you all.*



sherrie - May 11, 2019 at 04:42 PM

NS

*Truly a good man his kindness touch so many heart the admiral will be Miss thanks for sharing this with me with me like you use to say captain Smith your adopted son Thank you sir Nathan Smith.*

**Nathan Smith** - May 14, 2019 at 10:25 AM



*“ I pray God will comfort your family as only He can! Our church lost a great man if God! Deacon Brantley always encouraged me on 1st sundays after the choir sang! Always told me I did a Great job as a mother! May God Bless his family & our church family during this time!*

**Renee Smith** - May 11, 2019 at 03:32 PM

LS

*“ Lakeyba Samuel lit a candle in memory of Deacon James A. Brantley*



**Lakeyba Samuel** - May 11, 2019 at 10:46 AM

PD

*“ Pastor Rosa Davis lit a candle in memory of Deacon James A. Brantley*



**Pastor Rosa Davis** - May 11, 2019 at 10:44 AM

CB

“ Catherine Brantley sent a virtual gift in memory of Deacon James A. Brantley



Catherine Brantley - May 10, 2019 at 09:03 PM

CR

“ Cherrie Reed lit a candle in memory of Deacon James A. Brantley



Cherrie Reed - May 10, 2019 at 05:50 PM

MG

“ Mayling Graves lit a candle in memory of Deacon James A. Brantley



mayling graves - May 10, 2019 at 03:24 PM

CR

*My comfort in my suffering is this: Your promise preserves my life. Prayers from the Reed family. God Word is the true source of comfort.*

Cherrie Reed - May 10, 2019 at 05:55 PM

DF

*So sorry to hear about ur loss! Praying for you all. That God strengthens each and every one of you during this difficult period. God bless the family 🙏❤️🙏❤️*

Delores Foreman - May 10, 2019 at 06:35 PM

DH

*The Henderson family sending you our deepest condolences and prayers ...May God Bless and comfort you in your time of need..*

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**Denise Henderson** - May 11, 2019 at 09:57 AM