



James F. Ashby

May 11, 1964 - February 1, 2023

James Fitzgerald Ashby was born, May 11, 1964, in Franklin, Simpson County, Kentucky, a son of Henry Ashby and Stella Robey Ashby. God called James home on, Wednesday, February 1, 2023.

James was a graduate of Warren Central High School and received his Bachelor's degree from Western Kentucky University, whereas continuing his education, James, received his Master's degree in Social Work Psychology from the University of Louisville.

James was baptized at an early age and united with the Eleventh Street Baptist Church. James was passionate about his vocation as a counselor, working in this field for over 20 years. James was a longtime and respected member of Narcotics Anonymous where he formerly served as their Treasurer. Not only did James help those whom he came into contact with through NA but also those he met while working with the Veterans Affairs and Sky Rehabilitation. As a counselor, James was able to give guidance and support to those he came into contact with. An avid collector of comic books (especially Marvel), a devoted and loving son, and brother, a great friend to many, James will truly be missed by all.

James Fitzgerald Ashby leaves to cherish his memories, his parents, Henry and Stella Ashby; brother, Gregory Ashby; aunts and uncles, Dorothy

(Michael) Cornelius, Pauline Robey, John Robey, Roscoe (Sara) Robey, James C. Ashby, Larry Ashby and Steve (Cynthia) Ashby; a host of cousins and friends. James was preceded in death by his grandparents, Alma Ashby and Susie B. Robey

Sincerely,

-Your friends at Burnam and Son

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 8. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Eleventh Street Baptist Church
1035 Kenton Street
Bowling Green, KY 42101

Funeral Service

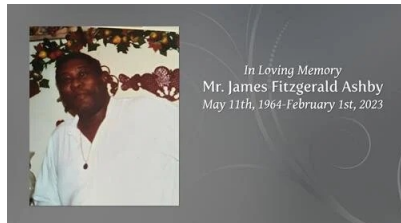
FEB 8. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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1035 Kenton Street
Bowling Green, KY 42101

Tribute Wall



“ *Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of James F. Ashby*



Burnam & Son Mortuary, Inc. - February 06, 2023 at 04:51 PM

JD

“ *I first met James when I was in high school. I immediately was in awe of him. His humor, intellect, honesty and charisma intimidated me. But he said yes when I asked him to be my sponsor. And so began a 25 year relationship. There are absolutely no words to describe how much he meant to me. He was like a father. He called me his son. I loved him. And the love he shared with me allowed me to slowly believe in myself over time. He hasn't answered my calls the last few weeks and then his phone was dead. Another week passed and today as I drove past BG I had the sudden horrific thought that maybe he had died. I googled his name and the tragic truth was revealed. I feel like he was stolen from me. I was going to visit him in Germany. He was going to visit me and his grandchildren this spring. I wish I knew what happened. And I am devastated that I missed his funeral and will never see him again. Condolences to his family. James gave himself honestly and never ever asked for anything I'm return. I am sure thy I will never again meet or know a better human being them James F Ashbey.*

Justin Dobring - April 01, 2023 at 03:13 AM

BC

“ James used his caring ways for so many people. He was always smiling. He was a great help to my family and will always remember him. I was shocked to learn of his death. It had not been too long ago since I saw him at the VA Clinic when I went with my husband. Prayers for his family. A gentle giant for sure.

Beverly Childress - February 20, 2023 at 03:01 PM

AR

“ Albert Rosa lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Albert Rosa - February 18, 2023 at 01:18 PM

AR

“ Wow , I just found out today, and I couldn't believe it. He was all heart and soul, a very kind and understanding person. He was my therapist at the VA Clinic, and he always laughed and had a great sense of humor, but was also very helpful and professional. He was about to go to Germany on a new assignment, but God had other plans, and called his angel in early. He will be dearly missed! RIP my friend!

ALBERT ROSA - February 18, 2023 at 01:07 PM

VP

“ Vercinea Pace lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Vercinea Pace - February 17, 2023 at 07:46 AM

BM

“ *Barbara M lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Barbara M - February 10, 2023 at 11:17 AM

BM

“ *SIP JAMES*



Barbara M - February 10, 2023 at 11:16 AM

RW

“ *Regina Whitney lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Regina Whitney - February 09, 2023 at 08:58 AM

SH

“ *Sarah Hardin lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Sarah Hardin - February 08, 2023 at 11:04 PM

CS

“ Carolyn Sydnor sent a virtual gift in memory of James F. Ashby



Carolyn Sydnor - February 08, 2023 at 01:13 PM

FG

“ Faye Gamble lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Faye Gamble - February 08, 2023 at 01:11 PM

DC

“ Dr. And Mrs. LaMark Carver lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Dr. and Mrs. LaMark Carver - February 08, 2023 at 09:24 AM

DC

“ Deborah Claypool lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Deborah Claypool - February 07, 2023 at 11:30 PM



“ *Berona Massey lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Berona Massey - February 07, 2023 at 09:28 PM



“ *Condolences to the family.*



Linda and Brittany Atkins - February 07, 2023 at 08:59 PM



“ *Jane Burton lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Jane Burton - February 07, 2023 at 08:43 PM



“ *James you did so much to help us veterans. I thank you for listening, planning, laughing, and crying with me sharing memories. People like you make this old world a much better place. You will be missed. R.I.P my friend.
Charlie Butler, Vietnam Vet*

charles butler - February 07, 2023 at 08:35 PM

MQ

“ *Mitchell Quarles lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Mitchell Quarles - February 07, 2023 at 05:25 PM

LI

“ *LIVELY-CLARK lit a candle in memory of James Ashby*



LIVELY-CLARK - February 07, 2023 at 01:52 PM

BW

“ *Brenda Williams lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Brenda Williams - February 07, 2023 at 11:42 AM

SB

“ *Dr. James did wonders for us veterans, he will be sadly missed !!*

Steve Bridges - February 07, 2023 at 10:57 AM

SI

“ Sanford And Marcia Irvin lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Sanford and Marcia Irvin - February 07, 2023 at 10:53 AM

FG

“ Faye Gamble lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Faye Gamble - February 07, 2023 at 09:32 AM

BR

“ My condolences to the family.

Beverly Ray - February 06, 2023 at 04:16 PM

CE

“ Carol Edmonds lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Carol Edmonds - February 06, 2023 at 03:03 PM

LC

“ *Lisa Cook lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Lisa Cook - February 06, 2023 at 02:10 PM

BP

“ *Barbara Page lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Barbara Page - February 06, 2023 at 12:22 PM

GB

“ *Gladys Beason lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Gladys Beason - February 06, 2023 at 12:22 PM

AN

“ *Andrea lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Andrea - February 06, 2023 at 08:07 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James F. Ashby.*



February 06, 2023 at 06:15 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of James F. Ashby.*



February 06, 2023 at 06:12 AM



“ *Wintress Parker lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Wintress Parker - February 06, 2023 at 12:15 AM



“ *Donald Daniels Jr. sent a virtual gift in memory of James F. Ashby*



Donald Daniels Jr. - February 05, 2023 at 10:57 PM

DB

“ My condolences to the family. James and I worked together at Sky Rehab! He had a smile that would light up any room. He will be missed.



Dee Brown - February 05, 2023 at 08:13 PM

KB

“ Katrina Bartanen lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Katrina Bartanen - February 05, 2023 at 05:55 PM

PA

“ James I will always remember you and that wonderful smile of . You were always an inspiration to me. You were always so nice to me. A very kindred and loving person. You will be truly missed by many especially your family. Henry, Stella and Greg I'm so sorry for your loss. Take care and call if i can be of any assistance. Love you all. You are in my prayers and heart. Love Patricia Ashby

Patricia Wells Ashby - February 05, 2023 at 05:14 PM

PK

“ James, a good friend, from long ago. We worked @ Medical Center, together. So many fun times, we had! Prayers for his family, & friends. Rest in peace, James.

patty kemble - February 05, 2023 at 03:37 PM

KC

“ *Kenny And Crisandra Coleman lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Kenny and Crisandra Coleman - February 05, 2023 at 02:31 PM

SW

“ *Shirley Whitney lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Shirley Whitney - February 05, 2023 at 01:19 PM

AC

“ *Allison Cook lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Allison Cook - February 05, 2023 at 12:36 PM

RB

“ *Ron Bixler lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Ron Bixler - February 05, 2023 at 11:09 AM

GR

“ *Of Blessed Memory*

Words cannot express how much James will be missed by Tracey and I. Over the years, James was truly a compassionate therapist and a blessing to both of us and our family in so many ways.

Our deepest sympathies to his family and loved ones.

Gary Reckart - February 05, 2023 at 09:11 AM

FA

“ *Frank Alexander &rosie Alexander lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Frank Alexander &rosie Alexander - February 05, 2023 at 08:39 AM

CH

“ *Charbonee Huddleston lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Charbonee Huddleston - February 04, 2023 at 09:05 PM

PW

“ *Peggy Whitney lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Peggy Whitney - February 04, 2023 at 07:23 PM

SV

“ *I'm a Veteran and Mr. Ashby helped me through some dark times. He will be missed in the Veteran Community. My heart felt condolences go out to his family.*

S. Gus Vincent

s. Gus Vincent - February 04, 2023 at 02:45 PM

EC

“ *Prayers for the family
Sorry for your loss*



Edna Coley - February 04, 2023 at 11:49 AM

TW

“ *Tracy Whitney lit a candle in memory of
James F. Ashby*



Tracy Whitney - February 04, 2023 at 10:34 AM

WF

“ *Our prayers are with the family.*



Whitney Family - February 04, 2023 at 01:03 AM

DJ

I've known James a while we were good friends in high school, such a wonderful guy never hated anyone always willing to help. RIP James see you in heaven.

Deborah Jeannette - February 04, 2023 at 12:18 PM

BD

“ *Brenda Duncan lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Brenda Duncan - February 03, 2023 at 11:57 PM

CS

“ *Carolyn Sydnor lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Carolyn Sydnor - February 03, 2023 at 11:08 PM

RD

“ *The world is a better place after the work James done. His care and influence helped change many lives, mine included. I am thankful to have known him. My Condolences and Prayers to all of James' loved ones.*



Randolph Daugherty - February 03, 2023 at 08:30 PM

EH

“ *Estella Hill lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Estella Hill - February 03, 2023 at 06:15 PM

RP

“ *Rita Powell lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Rita Powell - February 03, 2023 at 06:09 PM

DL

“ *DeAnna Lewis lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



DeAnna Lewis - February 03, 2023 at 05:52 PM

SW

“ *Sheena Witnrow lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Sheena Witnrow - February 03, 2023 at 05:51 PM

DB

“ Lucky enough to work with James several years ago. He was light and love; his laugh was everything and his hugs! The best. He would always make your day a little brighter with a smile, a laugh or a comment with the perfect amount of snark. Gone far too soon. My deepest sympathy to his family.

Deana Brashear - February 03, 2023 at 02:27 PM



“ My name is Howard Talley. I'm a USAF Storm and Shield Vet from 87 to 91. I referred to James as my Bob Newhart. I'm in a much better place thanks to James. My father died when I was five. I'd like to think had he lived he'd be just like James. James was one of the finest men I've ever known. R.I.P. James and prayers for your family. You'll be greatly missed.

Howard Talley - February 03, 2023 at 01:51 PM



“ Tess Brooks lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Tess Brooks - February 03, 2023 at 10:59 AM

RM

“ Rachel Murrell lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Rachel Murrell - February 03, 2023 at 10:43 AM

NF

“ *Nell Ruth Hill & Family lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Nell Ruth Hill & Family - February 03, 2023 at 09:39 AM

MS

“ *My condolences to the family I went to High School with James and Greg. James was always a very nice and respectful person.*



Mirt Hill Shelton - February 03, 2023 at 09:35 AM

MN

“ *I'm had the pleasure to work with James years ago and witnessed his kindness and sense of humor he so freely shared with coworkers and patients every day. His laugh was contagious and would go from his nose to his toes when he would get tickled about something. I always loved him for that and the way he made everyone's day a little bit better just by being himself. Many prayers to closest family and friends during this time*

Melia Newton - February 03, 2023 at 07:56 AM

SS

“ *STEPHANIE SIKES lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



STEPHANIE SIKES - February 02, 2023 at 09:56 PM

KE

“ *Keithfranklin lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



keithfranklin - February 02, 2023 at 07:51 PM

ES

“ *Words are inadequate to describe the light and love James spread to everything and everyone he touched. He's so loved and will be deeply missed. Condolences to his loving family.*



Elizabeth Singer - February 02, 2023 at 07:16 PM

MT

“ *One of the kindest souls I've ever had the pleasure of calling my friend*



Missy Tuck - February 02, 2023 at 05:02 PM

DS

James was one if the finest, sweetest, kindest and friendliest people I've ever known. My daughter and I both adored him. It was an honor to call him "Friend".

Denise Shour - February 02, 2023 at 08:23 PM

NC

“ *Nicole Collins lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Nicole Collins - February 02, 2023 at 04:52 PM

LA

“ *James is one of the finest men I ever knew. He loved his patients and provided them with the best possible care he could give. He also helped many many people of all ages to not only change their lives but to live their best life. He was always there for me to laugh with, cry with or just to lend me his undying support in my endeavors. I loved him like a brother and will miss him so very much. James, until we meet again.....*

Lou Anderson - February 02, 2023 at 04:47 PM

GH

“ *Geneva Higgins lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Geneva Higgins - February 02, 2023 at 02:53 PM

RM

“ *I am praying for the family and friends of James, one of the best men I have ever known.*

Robin Mayes - February 02, 2023 at 02:15 PM

TJ

“ *Many prayers for James' family* ”



Teresa M Johnson - February 02, 2023 at 01:35 PM



“ *Dana Bird lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby* ”



Dana Bird - February 02, 2023 at 12:37 PM

KC

“ *Kenny And Crisandra Coleman lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby* ”



Kenny and Crisandra Coleman - February 02, 2023 at 12:16 PM

GC

“ *George Cofer lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby* ”



George Cofer - February 02, 2023 at 12:15 PM

CH

“ James had the most beautiful laugh ❤️



Cheri Hudson - February 02, 2023 at 11:49 AM

SY

“ Sandra K. Young lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



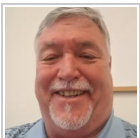
Sandra K. Young - February 02, 2023 at 10:34 AM

GP

“ Greg Perri lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Greg Perri - February 02, 2023 at 10:28 AM



“ Frank Hayden lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Frank Hayden - February 02, 2023 at 10:22 AM

SL

“ Sabrina Loving sent a virtual gift in memory of James F. Ashby



Sabrina Loving - February 02, 2023 at 09:55 AM

RJ

“ May God comfort and keep you.



Ronnie and Tonya Johnson - February 02, 2023 at 09:38 AM

JB

“ James M.&Kenetha Bryant lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



James M.&Kenetha Bryant - February 02, 2023 at 09:01 AM

JB

“ James M.&Kenetha Bryant sent a virtual gift in memory of James F. Ashby



James M.&Kenetha Bryant - February 02, 2023 at 09:00 AM

WB

“ *Wathetta Buford lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Wathetta Buford - February 02, 2023 at 08:14 AM

DC

“ *Deborah Claypool lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Deborah Claypool - February 02, 2023 at 07:51 AM



“ *Darlene Collins lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Darlene Collins - February 02, 2023 at 07:30 AM

DB

“ *David & Wilma Buford lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



David & Wilma Buford - February 02, 2023 at 06:54 AM

PF

“ Patsy Fant lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Patsy Fant - February 02, 2023 at 03:01 AM

TR

“ My beautiful friend. I'm gonna miss you much. Thank you for all you brought to my heart and life. My deepest condolences to this family. 🙏🙏🙏



Tara Richardson - February 02, 2023 at 12:36 AM

WA

“ Wanda Anthony lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Wanda Anthony - February 02, 2023 at 12:32 AM

WA

“ Wanda Anthony lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby



Wanda Anthony - February 01, 2023 at 11:51 PM

WA

“ *Wanda Anthony lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Wanda Anthony - February 01, 2023 at 11:50 PM

MJ

“ *We send our sincere condolences to the family. Love, Mechelle, Jemal, Nadia and Hattie*



Mechelle Jones - February 01, 2023 at 10:39 PM

LL

“ *Lori Lowery lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Lori Lowery - February 01, 2023 at 09:50 PM

KI

“ *Kimberly lit a candle in memory of James F. Ashby*



Kimberly - February 01, 2023 at 09:49 PM

ND

“ *My Condolences and Prayers to the family.
James will be missed.*



Narda Duncan - February 01, 2023 at 09:29 PM

TF

“ *Tina Fant lit a candle in memory of James F.
Ashby*



Tina Fant - February 01, 2023 at 08:45 PM

NM

“ *Nathaniel Bernadine Martin lit a candle in
memory of James F. Ashby*



Nathaniel Bernadine Martin - February 01, 2023 at 08:03 PM

CH

“ *Cheryl Hewitt lit a candle in memory of James
F. Ashby*



cheryl hewitt - February 01, 2023 at 07:05 PM

MH

“ Friends & Family From Way Back When. So Sorry for Everyone's Great Loss, Y'all have Our Prayers and Condolences 🙏🙏 Love The Entire Heater Family ❤️ R.I.P & Heaven James 🕊️🕊️🕊️🕊️



Michelle Heater - February 01, 2023 at 06:52 PM



“ Dear Ashby Family,

There are few things more difficult than dealing with the loss of a loved one. We, along with our staff, are honored and humbled that you have chosen our family to care for your family during this time. It is our hope that we have been able, in some small way, to lighten your burden and give proper reverence to a life lived. Please let us know if we can be of further service.



Respectfully,

*Carmen, Cedric, Claudia and Kelly
2nd Generation Owners*

Cedric Burnam - February 01, 2023 at 06:38 PM