



## Mr. Frank Lee Watts III

April 23, 1964 - May 10, 2018

UTICA - Mr. Frank Lee Watts III, age 54, went home to the Lord when he passed away on Thursday, May 10, 2018 at the Focus Rehabilitation & Nursing Center at Utica with his family by his side.

Born in Utica on April 23, 1964, Frank was the son of the late Frank, Jr. and Lillian (Bell) Watts. He was a graduate of Utica Free Academy. As a young man, Frank was injured and his mental capabilities were impaired as a result of the trauma. This led to his relocation to Watertown where he resided until he returned to Utica in 2011. He then became a resident of the Loretto Utica Center.

Frank was a good-hearted man with a loving personality. He was a protective brother and he was loved by many. His eyes always smiled and he had an adventurous side. He loved to eat and was a “human disposal system” when it came to food...man could he eat! He also loved sports: baseball, bowling, and swimming at Buckley Pool. As a kid, his weekends were filled with fishing, going to the movies, Quinn’s Playground, and McDonald’s, when burgers were 2 cents, and dad would buy 100! What a feast they had! Life was good, and church was always a part of their lives. Frank was raised and taught by Rev. Franklin Upthegrove who always encouraged his followers to have God in their hearts. Frank lived a beloved life because the love of the Lord lived within him.

Frank is survived by his siblings, Margaret Dingle Law and husband J.R., Bridgette Watts, and Darell Watts. He was preceded by his brothers, Rodney

Bell, and Timothy Watts; and his sister, Selina Watts Owens. He will be lovingly remembered by a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins; and his aunts and uncles, Lizzy (Bell) Washington, Jessie and Marilyn Bell, and Elknard Smith. Frank was a good friend to many throughout his life. He was predeceased by his cousin, Ricky B. "Big Rick" Holliman.

The family extends sincere thanks to the staff of Focus Rehabilitation Center for their kindness and compassion in caring for Frank.

Visitation will be held Saturday, May 19th from 2:00-4:00 at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Frank's Home Going Service and Celebration of Life will commence on Saturday afternoon at 4:00 at the funeral home immediately upon conclusion of visitation with Frank's aunt, Rev. Marilyn Bell, officiating the ceremony.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Sheila Holliman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Frank Lee Watts III*



Sheila Holliman - May 19, 2018 at 06:00 AM

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*Thanks for the laughs and memories Cuz! Love u!*

Sheila Holliman - May 19, 2018 at 06:02 AM

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“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



Brigette Watts - May 18, 2018 at 01:59 PM

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“ *Frank loved fishing and while living in Utica je would proudly cime ahow me his catch n say, Brigette you going cook it up for us. With a big smile. We would clean it and I would cook it. We enjoyed our meal with good conversation n laughs. Thank you for protecting when we were children. I'll always laugh when i remember how we'd have fun cleaning the fish together as children throughing the guts at eachother, then as adult cleaning them while having enjoyable conversations. Forever you will be in my heart. One LOVE little sis Brigette Watts*

Brigette Watts - May 18, 2018 at 01:19 PM