



## Mr. Melvin Cave

November 29, 1960 - December 23, 2021

Mr. Melvin Cave, age 61, passed away on Thursday, December 23, 2021. At the time of his crossing over, he was in the hearts of those he loved the most. Melvin was born on November 29, 1960 in Aiken, SC to James “Buck” Drayton and Barbara Cave. At age 7, Melvin moved with his family to Utica, NY, where he was raised, educated, and employed.

Melvin was a well-known, beloved Christian man of true integrity and faith. His mild-mannered humility, joyous spirit, and demonstration of unconditional love was the foundation of his remarkable personality. Melvin was moreover a family man, having maintained a solid relationship with his long-time love Theresa Adams and their children Candice Adams, Melvin Cave, Kachandrea Cave; his grandchildren Nasir, Namir, Zhanayre, Andre, Michael, Keiaundrea, Ahmari, Jaheim, Jnail, Akniyedria, Jaceon, Sariah, and great-grandson Navar. His children share that Melvin was a “very, very giving person. He thought he could save the world. He was a great dad, uncle, grandfather, and great-grandfather.”

Melvin was a member of St. Paul’s Baptist Church in Utica, NY, where he worshipped the Lord, sang with the choir, and participated in plays. He thoroughly enjoyed music, photography, and seeing others happy. Melvin was a one-of-a-kind individual who attracted attention with his gentle yet witty disposition.

Melvin will be greatly missed, but never forgotten by his aforementioned immediate family; his siblings Marilyn Knight, Deborah Cave, Sheila

Thompson, and Lisa Cave; and his best friends who were like brothers to him: David Billins, Curt Savage, Winston Smith, and the late Governor Howard Solomon. Melvin also leaves his aunts, uncles, cousins and friends to remember his life well lived. Melvin was predeceased by his maternal grandmother Ivery Lee Cave Smith, his beloved mother Barbara V. Cave, and stepfather Bobby Holston.

For those wishing to bid farewell to Melvin, you may pay your respects on Wednesday, January 5th from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Regardless of vaccination status, face masks are required, to remain in compliance with the state and county mask order.

# Cemetery Details

## Forest Hill Cemetery

2201 Oneida Street  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 735-2701

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 5. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.  
932 South Street  
corner of Hammond Ave.  
Utica, NY 13501  
(315) 724-6714  
eannacefh@roadrunner.com  
<https://www.eannacefuneralhome.com>

# Tribute Wall

VT

“ *Vivian Tucker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Melvin Cave*



---

**Vivian Tucker** - January 05, 2022 at 08:57 PM

CC

“ *My Condolences To The Family.... My Thoughts & Prayers Our With You All.....*



---

**Carla Clark** - January 05, 2022 at 07:27 PM

VC

“ *Vernetta Oakman Cousin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Melvin Cave*



---

**Vernetta Oakman cousin** - January 05, 2022 at 07:25 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Melvin Cave.*



---

January 04, 2022 at 12:15 PM

RS

“ Sorry for the loss if your love one.



Roseann Simmons - January 04, 2022 at 09:43 AM

RS

“ Always a kind hearted and humbled man. I will always remember that. Rest in Paradise my friend.

Ronald Tarver Sr. - January 04, 2022 at 04:34 AM

KT

“ Our deepest deepest condolences 🌸 to the entire Cave family. We will always remember Melvin. A soft spoken laid back person. Prayers lifted for the family.



Keith & Angela Webb, Memphis Tn - January 03, 2022 at 12:18 PM

BF

“ Brenda Fudge lit a candle in memory of Mr. Melvin Cave



Brenda Fudge - January 03, 2022 at 07:13 AM

LS

“ *Linda Spratt sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Melvin Cave*



---

**Linda Spratt** - January 02, 2022 at 04:36 PM