



Jerry (Jim) L. McCoy was born to the late William W. McCoy and Earlie J. Carmichael on August 26, 1924. He was the last child to this union of twelve and departed this earthly life on Thursday, January 28, 2016.

As a young man, he accepted Christ and became a member at St. Matthew AME Church, where he was a faithful and loyal member until he was unable to attend for health reasons. He loved God, his family and St. Matthew AME Church family.

“Mr. Jim” as everyone called him, was a hard working, unselfish man and a teacher. He taught his children and others in the community, how to provide for themselves and their family. **“Mr. Jim”** always had a garden, and whatever was in the garden everyone in the family and community would get some. He was a man of men and never complained.

Two sons preceded **“Mr. Jim”** in death: John W. McCoy and Bill Bethea.

In his life, **“Mr. Jim”** was privileged to raise several grandchildren, nieces, nephews and some children in the community.

Jim was married to the late Ludie B. Stewart and to this union there were four children: Jimmy (Bessie) McCoy, Alexander (Marguerite) McCoy, Ludie Evans and Beatrice Gattis.

Later in life, **Jim** married to the late Nancy J. Bethea and to this union there were eight children: Emma Bethea, Margaret Bethea, James (Barbara) Bethea, Sally Bethea, William McCoy, Millie (William) Legette, Jerry (Melinda) McCoy and Gary (Tausha) McCoy.

Jim has thirty-two grandchildren; sixty-three great grands; thirteen great, great grands; one brother-n-law; four sisters-n-law and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.