



PFC James Edward Cook Jr.

July 29, 2023

PFC James Edward Cook, Jr. age 57, a resident of Ft. Mitchell, AL went home to be with the Lord on Saturday, July 29, 2023. Graveside services with Military Honors will be held on Friday, August 11, 2023, at 12:00 p.m. EST from Ft. Mitchell National Cemetery with Pastor Samuel Smith officiating. James Edward Cook, Jr. was born November 25, 1965, in Jamaica Queens, New York. He was the son of James Edward Cook, Sr. and Bernadine Whitehead Cook. At an early age, he joined Antioch Baptist Church, sang in the church choir, and was a Boy Scout in his youth. The family relocated to Washington, DC. in 1980. James graduated from Roosevelt High School, Class of 1985. He enjoyed sports, football, and basketball. Following graduation, he served in the U.S. Marine Corps after completing his tour with honors from 1985 to 1989. He then worked for the DC Department of Correction in 1989, Calverton National Cemetery in 2009, Beaufort National Cemetery in 2013, Alabama National Cemetery in 2015, Arlington National Cemetery in 2017 and Fort Mitchell National Cemetery until his death. He fellowshipped at St John AME Church, was a member of the men's ministry, and was very active in his community. He also was Vice- President of the HOA (Homeowners Association). He leaves to cherish his memories, Son James Edward Cook III, Granddaughter Journee Lala Cook, Mother Bernadine Cook Johnson, Sister Carol Tubbs and fiancée Sheila Wearrien, Step-daughter Paula S. Woodson, and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends who will miss him dearly. James had a love for fishing, landscaping,

and hospitality, and he loved meeting new people. He never considered them strangers, only potential friends. James favorite scripture was Psalms 23:1-6. Brookside Funeral Home, Crematorium & Memorial Gardens of Millbrook, AL directing.

Cemetery Details

Ft. Mitchell National Cemetery

Seale, AL

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG 11. 12:00 PM (ET)

Ft. Mitchell National Cemetery
Seale, AL

Tribute Wall



“ *PFC James Edward Cook Jr.*

October 09, 2023 at 12:36 PM



“ *PFC James Edward Cook Jr.*

October 07, 2023 at 11:21 AM



“ *Condolences and prayers to the Cook family. Glad I had the opportunity to meet him and work with him at the Beaufort National Cemetery.*

Louis N. Brown, II

Louis N. Brown, II - August 09, 2023 at 05:36 PM



“ *Semper Fi my brother, rest in peace. I'm going to miss your calls at work. You were always up beat and such a great encourager. Never had a bad thing to say about anyone. Rest easy your troubles are no more!*



Mia Colemon-Co Worker - August 04, 2023 at 06:49 PM

DM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Duane Mendenhall - August 02, 2023 at 06:47 PM

EW

“ *Honor to serve with James in the National Cemetery Administration. He was a great foreman and better person. He led by example. Made his team his responsibility and demanded the best resources, facilities and workplace for them. His work ethic and sense of humor set the example. James was proud of his Marine service and respected the service of all of our veterans. He treated all families as he would want his own family treated. James loved talking about his family and fishing. I learned a lot from James and am praying for his family and friends.*

Eldon Woodie - August 02, 2023 at 06:43 PM

DM

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Duane Mendenhall - August 02, 2023 at 05:57 PM

DM

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Duane Mendenhall - August 02, 2023 at 05:09 PM

CH

“ Cpl. Michael P Hogan planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of PFC James Edward Cook Jr..

Cpl. Michael P Hogan - August 02, 2023 at 02:48 PM

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“ Cpl. Michael P Hogan purchased the Heavenly Grace Spray for the family of PFC James Edward Cook Jr..



Cpl. Michael P Hogan - August 02, 2023 at 02:48 PM

MH

“ I served with James in the Marine Corps. He was a great man! He was my Brother. Semper Fidelis! God Bless you and your family.

Michael P Hogan - August 02, 2023 at 02:32 PM

CF

“ *CPL. Duane Mendenhall, Semper Fidelis purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of PFC James Edward Cook Jr..*



CPL. Duane Mendenhall, Semper Fidelis - August 02, 2023 at 09:14 AM

DM

“ *My brother, Semper Fidelis. So very saddened to hear of your passing and my most sincere and deepest condolences to your family. Never did I imagine I'd be writing memories instead of going over them with you while we both laughed and remembered like it was yesterday. Memories.... end of 1985 gearing up for our first deployment to Okinawa; our time in Korea; Norway cold weather; platoon throwdowns in 1986; us as roommates at Lejeune and the heat of 29 Palms. Looking over the photos of us back then I smile and laugh. Many years later finding we chose the same path in life with the NCA serving our brothers and sisters. You were at Alabama NC then; we connected and had a great time catching up. Between your time at Arlington and Fort Mitchell we met in Baltimore where we laughed, remembered and laughed again as if no time had passed. I will always remember you as my brother, a solid man, a good man and a genuine man who brightened the lives of others and cared for his fellow veterans and their loved ones. RIP my brother I will NEVER forget you!*

Duane Mendenhall - August 02, 2023 at 08:58 AM

JB

James,

You will be dearly missed by the Orange and Blue, my friend and classmate. You always had a kind word and a welcoming smile. It was a pleasure to have crossed paths with you in this life! It's still hard to believe you're gone because you've always been there. Until next time...

RR4L Class of 85

Just Me Bernie - August 09, 2023 at 12:24 AM