



Mr. Bobby Nathaniel Wiggins

August 6, 1953 - April 9, 2019

Bobby Nathaniel Wiggins, 65, a long-time resident of Norfolk, passed away on April 9, 2019. Bobby is preceded in death by his mother, Julia Mae Wiggins, his maternal aunt, Hattie Mae Smith, his sister, Susie Ralph, and his two brothers, James Wiggins and William Wiggins. Born on August 6, 1953 in Newport News, Virginia, Bobby moved to Norfolk after attending Norfolk State University for two years. Bobby played in the band as a clarinet player in Huntington High School during the early seventies. Bobby was a long-time employee with the city of Norfolk where he was a heavy equipment machinist for twenty three years. Bobby was the employee representative on the job and he truly loved working for the city of Norfolk.

Bobby is survived by his nephews, James Earl Ralph (Michelle), Charles Lee Ralph, and Billy Ray Ralph (Tawanna), all of Hampton, and Johnnie Alfred Ralph of Newport News. He is also survived by seven first cousins; John Thomas Wiggins Jr. (Diane), Ronnie Wiggins, and Elsie Wiggins (Andre), all of Newport News, Willie Wiggins (Elaine), Phyllis Harrigan (Alex), both from Hampton, Curtis Wiggins (Stella), of San Bernardino, California, and Wilbur Wiggins, who resides in Georgia, as well as a host of cousins and other relatives. Bobby's long-term paramour, Debbie Wilson, her daughter, Ebony Wilson, and her son, Jeremiah Wilson, all of Norfolk, were very close throughout their time together. Ms. Wilson and Bobby shared a life together for twenty four years after knowing each other for thirty two years. Bobby

spoke highly of Jeremiah, who he spoke to regularly, and of Debbie to whom he spoke with at least two to three times daily. Bobby truly loved his family as he always talked about his life with his family every time he came to visit the Hampton area.

The viewing will be held at M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, located at 2117 Madison Avenue, Newport News, VA 23607 on Wednesday, April 17, 2019, from 12:00-6:00pm. Services will be held at M.E. Fisher Funeral Home as well, on Thursday, April 18, 2019, at 11:00am, with the burial being held immediately afterwards at Greenlawn Memorial Cemetery. The repass will be held at New Beginnings Outreach Center located at 236 Harpersville Road in Newport News, Virginia.

Previous Events

Public Viewing

APR 17. 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

APR 18. 11:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Bobby Nathaniel Wiggins*



M.E. Fisher Funeral Home, Inc. - April 15, 2019 at 02:42 PM

JB

I am so very sad at Bobby's passing. I know how much he was looking forward to retiring after many years of service to the City. Bobby was the Employee Relations Committee (ERC) representative for Utilities for many years. I met him when the ERC chairpersons began meeting together to better represent employees to management in what we initially called the "round table" and later COPE. He was a strong advocate for his fellow employees and respected by management. After I lost my job with the City, Bobby continued to reach out to me and check on me every few months. Regretfully, I will not be able to be at his going home service today due to an appointment that could not be rescheduled. My condolences to his family and friends. I am sure I will see him again, perhaps representing some of the angels in heaven.

Jane Bethel - April 18, 2019 at 11:28 AM

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“ I remember Bobby as a Huntington High classmate (1971) and band member. He was kind of quiet but, a good guy. He always had that big and warm smile.

We will miss Bobby! We pray for the comfort of Bobby's family.



Beulah M, Huntington High Class of 71 - April 16, 2019 at 12:52 AM

JG

“ My heartfelt sympathy to Bobby's family and all who loved him. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. I worked with Bobby for many years with the city of Norfolk we talked everyday very great hearted person.

Johnny Ray Grimsley Jr.

JOHNNY R GRIMSLEY - April 14, 2019 at 09:24 PM



“ He was a very loving and caring man who loved his family and friends. He will be missed but "NEVER FORGOTTEN ". I will truly miss my Best Friend. I love you My Love. Until we meet again. Your Best Girl, MaMa!

Debbie Wilson - April 13, 2019 at 02:53 PM