



Joseph Calvin Mason, Jr

September 4, 1962 - April 20, 2024

On September 4, 1962, Joseph Calvin Mason, Jr., started his earthly journey at Fort McClellan, Alabama in the loving arms of his parents, Vera Mason and the late Joseph Mason, Sr. At an early age, he was baptized and joined the Murray Temple CME Church in Anniston, Alabama, where he remained a member until his passing.

Joseph, affectionately known as Joey to some and JoJo to others, was the eldest of four children. Joey lived a full life with Down Syndrome, which never defined him, but contributed to his unique and joyful spirit. He was educated in the Lawton, Oklahoma school system and later attended the Children's Development Center in Anniston, Alabama. Joey's love for comic books, wrestling and western movies kept him engaged for hours. He was a dedicated member of the City of Anniston's Therapeutic Recreation (TR) Program for over 30 years. While in the TR Program, he formed lasting bonds and cherished friendships that enriched his life immeasurably. Joey was a competitive athlete. He was a member of the Anniston Allstars Adult Basketball Team. Joey competed in the Special Olympics where he was honored as a state champion in Bowling.

Joey had a love for people that was evident in his contagious smile and infectious laughter that lit up any room he entered.

On Saturday, April 20, 2024, Joey answered the master's call and was reunited with his father, SFC (Ret) Joseph Mason, Sr., his grandparents, James and Thelma Curry, Tom Mason and Louise Mason-Gaile, his aunt, Ollie

Mae McClellan.

Joey's memories will forever be cherished by his mother, Vera Mason of Anniston, Alabama; his sisters, Karen (Gordon) Mason of Anniston, Alabama and Carol (Anthony) Kimble of Oxford; his brother, CSM (Ret) Ronald A. (MSG (Ret) Joanna) Mason of Savannah, Georgia; his special nieces, Elana (Shenita) Goodwin of Phenix City, Alabama, Keiuna Mason-Jones of Oxford, Alabama, Elaija Mason of Pell City, Alabama and Kimera Mason of El Paso, Texas; his special nephews, Justin Mason of Anniston, Alabama, Ja'Kolbe McClendon and Demontre' McClendon, both of Oxford, Alabama, Cayman Mason of Monroe, Louisiana, Jayden Mason of Savannah, Georgia, and Querriun Mason of Phenix City, Alabama; special cousins, Gayle McClellan and Sean McClellan, both of Anniston, and James McClellan of Antioch, Tennessee; his bonus sister, Gwen Reed of Anniston, Alabama, and a host of nieces, great nieces, great nephews, cousins, other family members and friends.

Joey's passing has left a void that cannot be filled, but his legacy of joy and laughter will live on in the hearts of all who knew him.

Cemetery Details

Eden Hills Cemetery

305 Eden Hills Road
Anniston, AL 36201

Previous Events

Public Viewing

APR **26.** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

S.M. Goodson Funeral Homes and Crematory- Anniston
830 Noble Street
Anniston, AL 36201

Celebration of Life

APR **27.** 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Murray Temple CME Church
1614 Mulberry Ave
Anniston, AL 36201

Tribute Wall

LC

“ Lexi Claxton purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Joseph Calvin Mason, Jr.



Lexi Claxton - April 25, 2024 at 05:43 PM

RF

“ RMG Anniston Family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Joseph Calvin Mason, Jr.



RMG Anniston Family - April 25, 2024 at 11:48 AM

RF

“ RMG Anniston Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Joseph Calvin Mason, Jr.

RMG Anniston Family - April 25, 2024 at 11:48 AM

TF

“ The Lara Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Joseph Calvin Mason, Jr.



The Lara Family - April 24, 2024 at 09:42 PM

HG

“ Health Benefits Branch, Fort Stewart, GA purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Joseph Calvin Mason, Jr.



Health Benefits Branch, Fort Stewart, GA - April 24, 2024 at 02:50 PM

BF

“ Carol,
I am honored to have known Joey for over 40 years. He was indeed a pleasure to know and his beautiful spirit will always be remembered. Joey, your life and the way you lived it was an inspiration to me and so many others. Rest in the arms of Jesus until we meet again. 🙏❤️

Bridgette Fomby-Hendricks - April 24, 2024 at 02:23 PM

MF

“ Melissa Burke & Family purchased the Beautiful i n Blue for the family of Joseph Calvin Mason, Jr.



Melissa Burke & Family - April 24, 2024 at 11:04 AM

MF

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Melissa Burke & Family - April 24, 2024 at 11:04 AM

RM

“ *My Brother
September is your month
1962 was the year
The 4th was the day
God saw it fitting to bring you here.
You were first for a reason
And for that I am eternally glad
The BEST Big Brother
A young little brother could ever have.
You were always there for me
Showing me the way
I watched in awe as you navigated life
In your own special way, every single day.
Now that you are gone, what will I do
Ask your spirit to guide me
And lift me when I'm feeling blue.
I won't let you down, you prepared me for this time
It hurts, but I know you'd tell me everything will be fine.
Until we meet again my brother you take your rightful place
Take those golden wings of yours and continue to guide me with
your grace.
I Love you with all my heart and soul!*

Ronald Mason - April 24, 2024 at 08:37 AM

BF



Bridgette Fomby-Hendricks - April 24, 2024 at 02:17 PM

SM

“ *I can hear God saying BigBro "Well done my good and faithful servant". You fought a good fight! See ya later! Love ya!*

Sean' McClellan - April 24, 2024 at 08:30 AM

MC

“ Joey, you took my heart the day I met you. You were an angel in disguise. May you now rest in peace and continue emanating the peace and love within you, wherever you may be. Mama Maria. 🙏
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Maria Calderon - April 24, 2024 at 03:16 AM



“ We love and miss you dearly Joey!! You are in our hearts always!



Karen Mason - April 23, 2024 at 01:32 PM

KB

“ Praying for the family from Kandy Burnhart Class of 89

KANDY BOTHWELL - April 23, 2024 at 10:55 AM