



Mr. Jimmie Edwards, Jr.

November 15, 1961 - December 28, 2023

Jimmie Edwards, Jr., known by his artist's name of "BLU JIM", was born on November 15, 1961, in Columbia, South Carolina. He was the second of three children from the late Robbie Edwards and Jimmie Edwards. Jimmie went home to be with his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, after a brief illness at the WJB Dorn VA Medical Center in Columbia, South Carolina on Thursday December 28, 2023.

Jimmie attended Eau Claire High School in Columbia, South Carolina where he was very active in the athletic football program. He also attended Benedict College in Columbia, South Carolina earning two degrees. It was there that he obtained a BA degree to further pursue his love for creating Fine Art.

Jimmie served in the US Army with the 82nd Airborne Division Fort Bragg, North Carolina. His most favorite and shining years of employment were with the SC Black Media (Black News) Group. He served in numerous positions, including Editor, and supervised the youth mentoring program.

Jimmie was formerly united in marriage to Adrienne Calhoun of which from that union was born one beloved child, his pride and joy, US Marine, Marcus Larob Edwards. Jimmie spent his leisure time enjoying fishing especially in Charleston, South Carolina. At any given time, you would find BLU JIM in his artfully multicolored paint-stained jeans working on his latest creation. He won

numerous awards for his artwork and was always attending art shows to showcase his multi-talented works. He had such talented hands and visions for creating. He was an awesome cook, talented gardener and carpenter.

Jimmie was an amazing, joyful, and protective brother. He always believed in looking out for others with a generous spirit. Jimmie was always smiling and trying to bring joy to others. He was caring, giving and kindhearted. He was the kind of person who never met a stranger.

Jimmie leaves to cherish his life: his devoted son, Marcus L. Edwards; two loving sisters, Corlis (Sandy) Edwards, and Monica E. (Alan B.) Moore; a nephew, Zachary D. Capell and a host of relatives, friends and his devoted art community.

Memorial service with Military Honors will be 12 noon, Thursday, January 11, 2024 at Fort Jackson National Cemetery, 4170 Percival Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29229.

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Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 11. 12:00 PM (ET)

Fort Jackson National Cemetery
4170 Percival Road
Columbia, SC 29229

Tribute Wall

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“ *My deepest sympathy to Sandy, Monica and Marcus on your loss. You all are in my prayers and thoughts.*
Sherrie Trapp



Sherrie A Garner - January 11, 2024 at 01:22 PM

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“ *My Prayers are With The Edwards Family as they go through this difficult time. Jimmie will definitely be missed by many. He was always kind hearted and Yes He Kept A Beautiful Smile on his face . I Thank God I was able to Be Apart of the Edwards Family. Rip Our Beloved Jimmie 🙏🙏🙏*

Christine Stiggers (Tina) - January 11, 2024 at 09:13 AM

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“ It has taken me a moment to comment on the passing of my beloved first cousin, Blu Jim, aka Jimmy Edwards. We never understand when one is taken from this life at such a young age, 62 years young. But what I do know is my God never makes mistakes. Jimmy was an awesome artist who had so much creativity and life in every stroke of his brush. His love of the arts and the gift God gave him was loved and appreciated by so many.

Please know cuz, I will continue to honor your works through the poetic pieces we talked about. I will truly miss your physical presence, however, your spirit will live on through those who had the privilege of being exposed to your gift; the essence of who you are

to my cousins Monica, Sandy, Marcus, and Zack, I will continue to keep you in my prayers during this difficult time.

BLU JIM (Jimmy), may you rest in the arms of the Savior...

Cheryl Lynn

Cheryl Lynn Iszard - January 10, 2024 at 11:10 PM

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“ The Family lit a candle in memory of Jimmie Edwards,



The Kennedy Family - January 08, 2024 at 07:44 PM



“ *Our deepest condolences and prayers to the family and relatives.*



Tammy Edwards - January 06, 2024 at 05:38 PM



“ *Deacon (Clannie) Washington lit a candle in memory of Jimmie Edwards,*



Deacon Isaac (Clannie) Washington - January 05, 2024 at 10:03 PM



“ *Working with Jimmie over 30 years at Black News was definitely a pleasure. He was truly a team player and the entire staff considered him a good friend. His creativity merited the newspaper many awards and accolades as he willingly contributed his talents to each project. His love for his son and sisters was displayed on a daily basis as they were mentioned constantly in our conversations. I always told him he was like a son to me and he respected me like a father.*

Isaac Washington - January 05, 2024 at 10:01 PM



“ *Jimmie was a wonderful person. He was so very talented as exhibited in his beautiful artwork. I had the pleasure of working with him at Black News and he truly was a big brother to me, and I did not always make that task easy. Jimmie will be missed, but I am certain he is taking his much-needed rest. Thanks for everything Jimmie Wo Wo!*

Tami Taylor-Dyer - January 04, 2024 at 09:41 AM