



James Morris Lucas

December 27, 1943 - February 16, 2026

James Morris Lucas, beloved husband, father, grandfather, and avid outdoorsman, passed away peacefully on February 16, 2026.

Born on December 27, 1943, in Macon, to Ralph and Cecil Lucas. James was born and raised in Georgia and was a lifelong Georgia Bulldogs and Atlanta Braves fan. He played high school basketball and joined the military after graduation. He was a longtime member of the Lizella Baptist Church in Lizella, GA. He retired from Robins Air Force Base and settled in Culloden, GA just recently moving to Fayetteville, NC. He preferred the outdoors, spending his happiest hours in the woods hunting, fishing, or planting trees and flowers.

James was a devoted family man. It was love at first sight when he met his wife, Diane, and together they shared 48 years of marriage, building a life centered on love and unyielding devotion to each other. As a dad, he taught his children how to bait a hook, shoot a gun, respect nature, and work hard. As a grandfather, his eyes always lit up when sharing a story about his high school basketball glory days or telling silly jokes and he always had ice cream to share.

He is survived by his loving wife, Gloria Diane Creel Lucas; children, Art (Angel) Hooper, Tony Hooper, Michael (Becky) Lucas, and Robert (Ronda) Hooper; grandchildren, Clint (Morgan) Hooper, Chad (Jordan) Hooper, Casie

(Evan) Burgos, Daniel (Roseann) Brannam, Nile (Fable) Lucas, Cody Lucas, Emily Hooper, Elana Hooper, Eva Crader, and Torin Hooper, great grandchildren; Chloe Hooper, Kaliyah Brannam, Cameron Nolan, Gabriel Hooper, Daniel Brannam Jr, Madison Nolan, Max Hooper, Tristan Nolan, Jack Hooper, Ford Hooper, Levi Hooper, and Soren Lucas; sisters Marie (Bobbie) Riezinger and Ann Partain and many nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents; Ralph and Cecil Lucas, Sister, Dorothy Fay Taylor, brother, Ralph Wallace Lucas and son; Eurey Dean Hooper.

Visitation will be Saturday, February 21 at 1:30 pm at Williams Funeral Home with a Celebration of Life service immediately following at 2:30 pm in the chapel. James will be laid to rest at the Georgia Veterans Cemetery in Milledgeville, GA. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to American Cancer Society online at <https://www.cancer.org> or by calling 1-800-227-2345.

Cemetery Details

Georgia Veteran's Memorial Cemetery

2617 Vinson Hwy
Milledgeville, GA 31061

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 21. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Williams Funeral Home & Crematory - Milledgeville
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Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



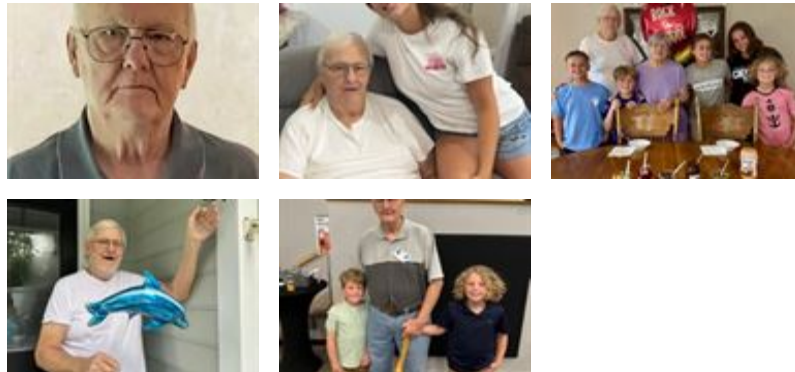
“ Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory created a Webcast will start approximately 10 minutes before the service in memory of James Morris Lucas



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - February 21 at 02:01 PM



“ 115 files added to the album Life Tributes



Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory - February 20 at 02:23 PM

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“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Marie Riezinger - February 20 at 09:18 AM

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“ 8 files added to the tribute wall



robert hooper - February 18 at 08:55 PM

MR

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



Marie Riezinger - February 18 at 09:04 AM

MR

*James (Morris)
basket ball crew James on picture day*

Marie Riezinger - February 18 at 10:11 AM

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“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
Luther and Berta and friends at Johnnie
McDade Grocery.*



Luther Minor - February 16 at 07:35 PM