



## John Leif Merritt

July 4, 1970 - January 16, 2019

Mr. John Leif Merritt, 48, passed away on Thursday, January 16, 2019. A Visitation will be held on Monday, January 21, 2019 at Williams Funeral Home of Milledgeville from 6 until 8 PM.

Mr. Merritt was born in Augusta, Ga and had made his home in McIntyre. He was a carpenter and loved his family and hot rods. He was predeceased by his biological father, Justin Hugh Jolly.

He is survived by his wife of 20 years, Kiva Hood of McIntyre; 3 sons, Dalton Merritt, Justin Merritt, and John Cruz, all of McIntyre; 2 daughters, Pamela Faith Merritt of McIntyre and Lesley Cruz of Lyons; Dad, Carey (Carolyn) Merritt of Toombsboro, mother, Elaine Whitaker Watkins on Jones Co.; biological mother, Gloria Jean Jolly; sister, Linda Jolly Thornton (John), brother, William "PeeWee" Price, 1 grandchild; and several nieces, nephews and numerous great nieces and nephews.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the family to help with expenses.

Express online condolences at [www.williamsfuneral.net](http://www.williamsfuneral.net)

Williams Funeral Home & Crematory of Milledgeville

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 21. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

SP

“ *kiva sorry about your lost of your love one you and the kids are in my prayers sarah*

**sarah parker** - January 22, 2019 at 11:45 AM

SF

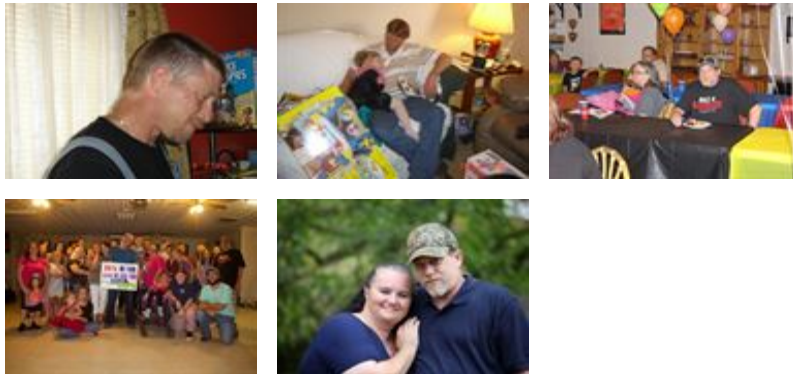
“ *Kiva ,so sorry for you and the kids loss. You and the kids are in our prayers and hugs to you all.*



**Shalaylah L. Gilbert and Family** - January 21, 2019 at 05:22 PM



“ *54 files added to the album Life Tributes*



**Williams Funeral Homes and Crematory** - January 21, 2019 at 11:07 AM

LM

“ *Kiva and Family,  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Luther  
& Berta and Friends at Johnnie McDade  
Grocery.*



Luther G Minor - January 21, 2019 at 10:55 AM



“ *I love you and miss you so much! You are the love of my life I am so  
lost! We will one day walk with your hand in my hand again! Until  
then I love you with my whole heart!* 😭💙💜💔😭😭😭😭😭

Kiva Hood - January 21, 2019 at 01:51 AM

AS

“ *Ashley Sibley lit a candle in memory of John  
Leif Merritt*



Ashley Sibley - January 20, 2019 at 06:32 PM

TP

“ *Tracy Patterson lit a candle in memory of  
John Leif Merritt*



Tracy patterson - January 20, 2019 at 04:13 PM



“ Shirley Ann lit a candle in memory of John Leif Merritt



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**Shirley Ann** - January 19, 2019 at 10:06 PM



“ William Price lit a candle in memory of John Leif Merritt



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**William price** - January 19, 2019 at 08:06 PM



“ Sympathy to you all.R.I.P. John.



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**William Amerson and Claudia** - January 19, 2019 at 06:18 PM



“ My thoughts are with yall kiva.im so very sorry. I love yall.

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**tommy scott** - January 19, 2019 at 08:05 AM



“ Kiva and family I am praying for all of you.

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**Darena. McDade** - January 18, 2019 at 08:08 PM

ME

“ *Mary Edens lit a candle in memory of John Leif Merritt*



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**Mary Edens** - January 18, 2019 at 07:27 PM

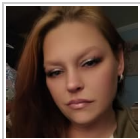
FL

“ *Kevia so sorry for your loss, praying for you and the family that God will wrap his arms around you and the kids and give y'all comfort and strength to get through this difficult time and the days ahead.*



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**Fay Leverett** - January 18, 2019 at 06:56 PM



“ *Kiva's I am still just at a lose for words my sweet friend. I can not imagine what u an your family are going thru at this time. We loved John and he will forever be missed. I'm sure he will be waiting for you, fussing as usual..lol.. we love you and if you need anything please don't hesitate, THE COOK FAMILY*

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**Christy Cook** - January 18, 2019 at 06:36 PM

VG

“ *Kiva, Justin, and family , I am so sorry for your loss. May God comfort you all during this time.*

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**Vicki Gholson** - January 18, 2019 at 05:38 PM

MR

“ *Lee, Melissa and Danny are so sorry to hear about John gone but not forgotten*

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**Melissa Riner** - January 18, 2019 at 03:04 PM

MR

“ *We are so sorry for your loss John will be missed.  
Fly high John*



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**Melissa Riner** - January 18, 2019 at 03:02 PM