



## Wilbur W. Jenkins

October 9, 1964 - September 21, 2013

Wilbur Wayne 'Waynie' Jenkins was born October 9, 1964 in Charleston, WV to the parents of the both late Mr. Willie Jenkins, Sr. and Elizabeth Ann Easley Jenkins, lifelong residents of Charleston and South Charleston, WV. Wilbur passed away at the age of 48 years old on September 21, 2013 at his home in Huntington, WV. He is survived by his companion Ms. Deborah Crabtree, Catlettsburg, KY; son, Kevin Linger, Fort Wayne, IN; fraternal twin brother, Willie Jenkins, Jr. of Charlotte NC (wife Priscilla); sisters: Wilma Gaines Holder, Fort Wayne IN (husband James); Cynthia Grace, Mesa, AZ (husband Robert); the late Peggy Ann Edwards, Mesa, AZ formerly of Cincinnati, OH (ex-husband Richard "Dinky" Edwards, II); nephews: Richard Edwards III, Cincinnati, OH; Donovan Edwards, Austintown, PA (wife Nicole); Jason Edwards, Cross Lanes, WV; Joshua Gaines, Alexandria, VA; Cedreco Hannah, Cedrick Hannah, Lorenzo Holder all from Fort Wayne, IN; Allen Reese Jenkins, Charlotte, NC; nieces: LaToya Gaines (husband Joey), Ebony Carter (husband Jack), LaKeesha Burnette, LaShonda Fritz, Daysha Burnette, Shadricka Burnette, all from Fort Wayne, IN; and Danielle Grace, Auburn, MI. Wilbur attended Edison Elementary, South Charleston Jr. High and graduated from South Charleston High School in South Charleston, WV in 1982. He went on to graduate from West Virginia State College in Institute WV where he majored in Communications. During his youth he was active in Bidy League football, junior high, high school and AAU basketball, and Bidy League baseball. Wilbur has been involved in the sports community for more than 30

years. He was an Associated Press sports writer, Riverside High School girls' basketball coach, coach and umpire for baseball and softball leagues including umpiring the Little League Softball World Series, worked at the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference tournaments, and state high school basketball tournaments performing stats. He also worked several years in education at Charleston area schools. A memorial service will be held to honor his life on Saturday, September 28, 2013 starting at 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm at South Charleston Community Center, 601 Jefferson Road, South Charleston, WV. Arrangements are being handled by Ferrell Chamber Funeral Home in Huntington, WV. 13-050

# Tribute Wall



“ *Wilbur W. Jenkins*

October 08, 2023 at 12:10 PM



“ *No words can properly express the void with your passing. Missing you so much and loving you still.*

**Debbie Crabtree** - October 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *I will always remember Wilbur for doing his famous cannonballs off the diving board at the King Center Pool for all of us kids from Heart and Hand Daycare. I will also never forget the way he called strikes when I pitched softball. I will always remember*

**Susie Jones** - September 27, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *I was heartbroken to hear of Wilbur's death. Wilbur came into my life when I was just 11 years old. Orlando, Fl was our destination for a AAU tournament. Never did I know that he would be a lifelong friend of mine. He is truly in a better place now, although*

**Mary Porter** - September 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *I had the honor of working with Wilbur when he was in radio in Charleston in the 90's. I remember his sense of humor most of all. Professionally, he always seemed to be "on his game." I was saddened deeply to learn of his passing.*

**Michelle D. Walker** - September 26, 2013 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ Sorry to hear about Wilbur. It has been over 30 years since I last saw him but from what I have read, still had his winning personality.

Ben Dent - September 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

VS

“ Wilbur was such a kind, caring , joyous, sharing, open-hearted individual. He always had a big smile that matched his joy of life and open-arms to all those whom he met. There was never a stranger to him, but always what he saw as someone worth knowing! W

Virginia "Jenx" West Stewart - September 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ Dear Wilbur,  
words cannot express what Wilbur meant to me, Aaron and Rachel;  
he was truly a treasure and we will certainly miss him. We have  
some good memories of this gentle soul except for the spell he had  
in Sunday School and had to be taken to the h

Kathryn L. Rule - September 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Wilbur were competitors and team mates and were both big men  
and we had a lot of great times together. You always had a big  
smile that matched his joy of life and open-arms to all those whom  
you come in contact with. There was never a stranger to you, but

Rodney "Moose" Myles - September 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ *Wilbur will be missed!*

*Although I hadn't seen him in over 30 years, I had recently reconnected with my So Chas Jr High buddy on Facebook.*

*It was clear that the joyous and gentle boy had grown into a joyous and gentle man.*

*Was a blessing to know*

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**Cindy Rasmussen-Barker** - September 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KA

“ *For the family and close friends of Wilbur Jenkins, you are in my thoughts and prayers. Wilbur had an infectious smile and was the nicest person you could ever meet. He will be missed by so many. He touched a lot of young peoples lives and is truly a b*

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**Kim Alderman** - September 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ *May the family of Wilbur find comfort during this trying time.*

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**Greg Shulter** - September 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM