Alexander Watkins

January 8, 1962 - December 10, 2025

Alexander Watkins, 63, of Chattanooga, passed away Wednesday, December 10, 2025, in a local hospital. He was born on January 8, 1962, in Chattanooga to Willie Louis Watkins, Sr. and Wanda Snow. He was educated in the Hamilton County School system and graduated from Brainerd High School in 1983 before pursuing and acquiring an associate's degree from Cleveland State Community College. Alexander was employed as a counselor for the Hamilton County Juvenile System.

He was preceded in death by his father, Willie Louis Watkins, Sr.; mother, Wanda Snow; brothers, William Jones, Darrell Watkins, and Willie "Red" Watkins Jr.

Those left to cherish his memories include his sons, Alexander Watkins, Jr., Alexander Watkins, III, Alexander Watkins, IV, and Jordan Watkins; daughters, Celeste Hughes and Alexandria Watkins; three grandchildren, Cincere Hughes, Brandon Strickland, and Azari Strickland; brothers, Reginald Watkins and Terrance Moorer; sisters, Roneika McKinley, Natasha Dodds and Trinesia Colvin; favorite cousin, Nickey Ronald (Sylvia) Hammond; close friend, Jeffery Hall, Sr.; and a host of other relatives and friends.

Alexander will lie-in-state on Wednesday, December 31, 2025, at 9 a.m. at Taylor Funeral Home. Funeral service will follow at 12 noon in the Chapel with

Pastor Ronald B. Cook, Sr. as the Eulogist. Burial in Chattanooga Memorial Park.

Previous Events

Lie-In-State

DEC **31**. 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

Taylor Funeral Home
3417 Wilcox Boulevard
Chattanooga, TN 37411-1076

Funeral Service

DEC **31**. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

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Burial

DEC **31**. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (ET)

Chattanooga Memorial Park
501 Memorial Drive
Chattanooga, TN 37415

Tribute Wall

VS

Alex was my classmate at CSCC he always had a smile on his face he was such a sweet person he will be missed RIP my friend

Vanissa Sharp - January 08 at 09:52 AM

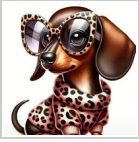
KH

I remember Alex as a youth when i use to attend different programs and parties where he was the security officer. Alex was such a authentic person. Rest in peace and my sincerest condolences to the family and friends of Mr. Alex

kesha hammock - January 08 at 12:37 AM

A great guy, rest well my brother. ❤️

Stephanie Norwood - January 06 at 02:56 AM



I will always remember his smile and playful attitude. May God bless and keep you all during this difficult time.

Tammy

Tammy Sanders - December 31, 2025 at 04:56 AM

TB

Prayers going out to the Watkins family and friends

Tracie Baker - December 30, 2025 at 03:33 AM

Alex will be truly missed, He was always kind even when we were growing up. I'll always remember Alex, Red and Darrell and Ms. Wanda

Joan Gibbs - December 30, 2025 at 12:44 AM

Alex "Tangleeye" Watkins great person and even greater classmate..Great basketball player definitely will be missed.. Rest Easy my friend my classmate Rest Easy

Gerald L Williams, Sr
BHS Class of '80

Gerald Williams - December 29, 2025 at 09:07 PM

Alex was always so kind…at my wedding he was the only gentleman who stepped up for single guys, even though he didn't want to.

Jean Snow - December 29, 2025 at 05:14 PM

To the Watkins family Alex was always a protector of his brothers, mother and cousins, he loved his brothers ❤️

Jean Snow - December 29, 2025 at 03:38 PM

To Watkins family Alex was always a loving brother and cousin and he protected everyone ❤️

Jean Snow - December 29, 2025 at 03:34 PM

Tanya Warren sent a virtual gift in memory of Alexander Watkins

Tanya Warren - December 29, 2025 at 11:29 AM

Robin Salazar lit a candle in memory of Alexander Watkins

Robin Salazar - December 23, 2025 at 09:42 AM

Rest Easy Brother....

Nilkcol Sucram - December 22, 2025 at 04:16 PM

Alex was the definition of a Gentle Giant. He will be missed.
Rest well my friend and classmate.
Class of 1980 Brainerd High School
Teresa Trimble-Smith

Teresa Trimble-Smith - December 22, 2025 at 03:07 PM

Lisa Thompson lit a candle in memory of Alexander Watkins

Lisa Thompson - December 21, 2025 at 02:57 PM

Our pretend brother□. He was always a kind person in school. Rest in Peace from the other Watkins family: Elmo, Angela, Norma, Teresa and Gerald.

Angela Haynes - December 18, 2025 at 03:01 PM

DC

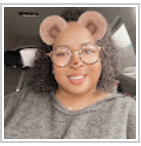
I remember I was a pre-teen at the New Edition, Bobby Brown, and Al B. Sure concert when they weren't letting anyone on the main floor without a ticket — and I didn't have one. Out of nowhere, I saw Alex coming up the steps. He gave me five, slipped a floor ticket into my hand, and kept walking like nothing happened. Later when I saw him, he just smiled and said, "You know I got you."

That's who he was — always looking out.
Rest well, Big Guy.

Daryl Clark - December 17, 2025 at 07:35 PM

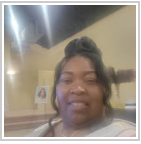
My condolences to his kids and the Watkins family. I am heartbroken 💔 when I got the phone saying Alex had passed. You truly going to be missed brother. That your rest 😢 🙏🙏

Lisa Bass - December 16, 2025 at 05:22 PM



Vanessa Holloway lit a candle in memory of Alexander Watkins

Vanessa Holloway - December 16, 2025 at 01:58 PM



Yolanda Dave lit a candle in memory of Alexander Watkins

Yolanda Dave - December 16, 2025 at 06:55 AM

F

Sending prayers and condolences

Felicia Foster - December 16, 2025 at 01:04 AM

CW

Cortney Watkins lit a candle in memory of Alexander Watkins

Cortney Watkins - December 15, 2025 at 11:39 PM

A

Andrea Bennett lit a candle in memory of Alexander Watkins

Andrea Bennett - December 15, 2025 at 10:59 PM

S

Sue Anderson lit a candle in memory of Alexander Watkins

Sue Anderson - December 14, 2025 at 11:41 PM

D

Doris Rainey lit a candle in memory of Alexander Watkins

Doris Rainey - December 14, 2025 at 10:43 PM

LH

Laretta Harriso lit a candle in memory of Alexander Watkins

Laretta Harriso - December 14, 2025 at 04:27 PM

R

Reginia Hamilton lit a candle in memory of Alexander Watkins

Reginia Hamilton - December 11, 2025 at 03:00 PM