



## James Lee Bostian III

October 17, 1952 - May 10, 2017

Mr. James “Jim” Lee Bostian, III., 64, of Salisbury, NC passed away Wednesday, May 10, 2017 at Novant Health Rowan Medical Center.

He was born October 17, 1952 in Baltimore, MD to the late James Lee Bostian, Jr. and Helen Clay Bostian. He served in the U.S. Navy for four years and with the Army National Guard for 5 years. Mr. Bostian was a correction officer for 26 years at Piedmont Correction Facility.

Mr. Bostian was a member of the GPPA and an active member of Scenic.

Preceding him in death was his infant son, Tony “TJ” Johnny Douglas Bostian in October 1989 and a brother, Ricky Gerald Bostian.

He is survived by his wife of 27 years, Joy Wright Bostian; sons, Joshua Lee Bostian, Michael McDowell and Paul McDowell; daughter Paula “PJ” Church and husband Terry; sister, Amy Melton; 13 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The family will receive friends from 5-7 PM Saturday (May 13) at Summersett Funeral Home. Military Honors will be conducted following the visitation.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Bostian family. Online condolences

may be made at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 13. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Summersett Funeral Home  
1315 W. Innes St.  
Salisbury, NC 28144  
(704) 633-2111  
<https://www.summersettfuneralhome.com>

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Mr. Bosnian was one of the first people I met when I came to PCI, I always enjoyed talking and working with him and enjoyed his sense of humor, my prayers and thoughts go out to your family at this time of sadness and loss.*

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**Todd Morrison** - May 15, 2017 at 06:49 AM

JM

“ *Prayers for you and your family. Jim was such a nice man. I enjoyed working with him. He always had a smile when I would asked him to do something and always strived to do the job well. His dedication to working on the plight of state employees and retirees was admirable. Joy, you were always loved by him and he was so proud of you. May God wrap His arms around you at this time and offer comfort and love during this difficult time.*

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**Jean Martin** - May 12, 2017 at 06:23 PM

JC

“ *My deepest sympathies to the family . Mr James was an outstanding man . Always made my day when I saw him . I know he'll be missed .*

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**jan cline** - May 12, 2017 at 01:38 PM



“ *Ran in to him a couple of years ago at the VA and we reminisced the times at PCI. We will miss you.*

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**Otis Webster** - May 12, 2017 at 01:08 PM

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“ SEANC District 10 purchased the Sacred Duty S  
pray for the family of James Lee Bostian III.



SEANC District 10 - May 12, 2017 at 12:32 PM

JB

“ I remember James has a kindhearted friend. in all the years we  
worked together at PCI, I never heard him say anything negative  
about anyone. A true gentle giant, that I and the world will miss.  
Monika and I feel your loss. James Bigsby

James Bigsby - May 12, 2017 at 10:05 AM

KF

“ Was one of my best 🤦 always there when needed rip big jim

kenneth fry - May 12, 2017 at 09:23 AM

GP

Mr. Bostian was always a gentleman to me. We often were scheduled  
for in-house training in unarmed self defense together. We had fun in  
all of our training. A good man who always was respectable and nice to  
me. Gail Linney-Powell.

Gail Powell - May 12, 2017 at 09:55 PM

SF

All good memories with Big Jim. Worked together for many years, but  
he knew almost everybody I grew up with in Landis. I think he knew  
everybody in that town. He will be missed by many, including me. Lots  
of good times. But he'll have even better times where he is now. God  
Bless him, his family, and loving wife Joy. == Steve Foster

Steve Foster - May 13, 2017 at 06:00 PM