



We have received the sad news from Golden Eagles members Dennis McDonald and Harold Domoney that former Continental pilot Daniel James has taken his last flight West. The information contained in their message is posted below. Lt. Gen. James was not a Golden Eagles member but we feel it is appropriate to share the notice of his passing with our members as a courtesy to Lt. Gen. James, his family and those of our members who may have known and flown with him.

The Golden Eagles sends its condolences to General James` family and wishes them peace and comfort at this difficult time.

Subject: Lt Gen (ret) Daniel James

Lt. Gen. James was the son of Gen. Daniel "Chappie" James Jr. Dan flew F-4's and Aggressor F-5's in the USAF and flew for Continental for a while then went full time in the Texas Air National Guard.

Lt Gen (ret) Daniel James III (former Director Air National Guard 2002-2006 , former Adjutant General for Texas National Guard headquarters 1995-2002) passed away Tuesday 1 Aug 2017.

Funeral Services have been scheduled for Wednesday 23 August 2017, see below information.

Interment will be at Arlington National Cemetery at a future date-TBD.

Lt Gen (ret) Daniel James III BIO:

<http://www.af.mil/About-Us/Biographies/Display/Article/106644/lieutenant-general-daniel-james-iii/>

Obituary:

<http://www.mcguire-services.com/obits/obituary.php?id=648562>

Funeral Home:

McGuire Funeral Service
7400 Georgia Avenue N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20012

202-882-6600

<http://www.mcguire-services.com/index.php>

Visitation/Services:

Shiloh Baptist Church
1500 Ninth Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001
202-232-4288
<http://shilohbaptist.org/>

Visitation-

Tuesday 22 August 2017, 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM
Wednesday 23 August 2017, 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM

Celebration of Life-

Wednesday 23 August 2017, 11:00am

Interment:

Arlington National Cemetery
Future Date TBD

WE REMEMBER: Lt. Gen. Daniel James III Dies at 71 from Heart Failure

<http://www.eurweb.com/2017/08/remember-lt-gen-daniel-james-iii-dies-72/#>

Daniel James III receiving an award from his Dad, Gen. Daniel "Chappie" James Jr. (photo via AF.mil)

*We have sad news to report about **Lt. Gen. Daniel James III**. Unfortunately we've learned the General James has passed away at age 71.

We spoke with General James' widow, Dana James, who informed us that he passed away after years of battling congestive heart failure.

He is survived by immediate family members: wife Dana; their son Daniel Steven James and the General's brother Claude "Spuddy" James.

Funeral services – which are being handled by the [McGuire Funeral Services, Inc.](#) – are scheduled for August 23 in Washington, DC at Shiloh Baptist Church.

Visitation will be from 9:00am to 11:00am followed by the funeral service from 11:00am to 1:00pm. Repass at Heritage Hall Shiloh Baptist Church. Interment will be announced at a later date.

Background

Lt. Gen. Daniel James III was the director of the Air National Guard from 3 June 2002 to 20 May 2006 and is the son of famed General Daniel "Chappie" James, Jr who died in 1978 of a heart attack. (see photo above of father and son).

General James holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology, from the University of Arizona, Tucson, and graduated from the Air Command and Staff College in 1981 and the National Security Management Course in 1992.

He performed 500 combat flying hours in Southeast Asia and earned two Distinguished Flying Crosses. He was the first African-American to become the director of the Air National Guard. *General James was an airline pilot for Continental Airlines.*

Unfortunately we do not have many details regarding Dan`s tenure at Continental. If anyone has information about the approximate dates he was with Continental and where, when and in what capacity he may have served as a

supervisory pilot, please send that information to smallgd@outlook.com for possible inclusion in a future Golden Contrails issue.



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