



Leon James Edmonds

February 23, 1946 - December 1, 2016

Grandmaster Dr. Leon James Edmonds, Director Black Belt University Upper Marlboro, MD, passed away Thursday, December 1, 2016 at the Forestville Health and Rehabilitation center, in Forestville, Maryland. A memorial service honoring the life, work, and faith of Dr. Edmonds will be celebrated Thursday December 8, 2016 at 11:00 AM at Pope Funeral Home, 5538 Marlboro Pike, District Heights, MD 20747, (Phone: 301 568-4100).

38 For I am convinced [and continue to be convinced—beyond any doubt] that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present and threatening, nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the [unlimited] love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:38-39

Tribute Wall



“ *Leon James Edmonds*

January 28, 2023 at 02:13 PM



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January 28, 2023 at 10:26 AM



“ *Grandmaster Lee trained me in Martial Arts. He was the best teacher I've ever had. I just read today about his death today. I was going to contact him about teaching me self defense using a cane because I'm using a cane right now temporarily. I am so so devastated and crying. Rest in peace Grandmaster Lee. I love you. If anyone has any information on how I can contact his family please let me know. My number is 832-837-6419 or if they have any information on how I can contact Dr. Ruth King. We all studied together with my children. You will be truly missed but not forgot Grandmaster Lee we will always remember everything you taught us we love you.*

Leila Smith - December 21, 2018 at 11:57 AM



“ *Wow. I am in shock of this news. Grandmaster Lee was my Kung fu instructor for over four years. He was a great leader and saw in you what you couldn't see in yourself. I'm forever grateful for the confidence he helped me find in myself. My deepest condolences to Celeste and the family.*

Nadia Kim - October 03, 2017 at 01:11 PM

RH

“ Lee was a pal of mine at Bellevue Community College. He, James Ware and I think Cliff Kendricks rode to Portland in my '61 VW for interview w/ Portland State head coach, Marion Percin. Willie, (Damon's dad) and Charlie, (Antoine's dad) Stoudamire were on that team.



One evening, after Lee and I had consumed 1/2 gal of Bali Hai, Lee said "I'm gonna score me 50 points tonite Rodney." I told him he'd be lucky to find the gym,(2 blocks away.)

Well, he scored, like 46 points that night and set the PSU record for consecutive game points. That record was broken a few years later by Freeman Williams. Last time I saw Lee I was on active duty on a nuke sub in Pearl Harbor. PSU team came to play U of Hawaii. I met my old buds and we all went out partying in Honolulu. Earlier, at the team hotel, the coaches came down the hotel hall room-to-room for bed check, James Ware and I were outside jumping the opposite direction, from 5th floor balcony to balcony with the beer. The palm trees were waving in the Waikiki breeze below us. Anyway, Lee was a gentleman with a devilish, but sedate sense of humor. I've nothing but good memories of those days. Very Sorry to hear he's gone. I hope he had a good life back east. Wish I'd had the opp. to see him again. God Bless his eternal spirit. -Rod Haney, Vancouver, Wa.

rod haney - February 07, 2017 at 03:48 PM



“ To the Edmonds family, My deepest sympathy and condolences. Words cannot describe the sorrow I feel. I know that GOD'S Word says that it is appointed that every man should die and to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord, but I am heart broken! "Grandmaster" has been my teacher, father-figure, mentor, and close friend for close to 17 years. We could talk about anything. He was funny, very protective, honest, and direct. He always spoke highly of his family and I had the utmost respect for him. Based upon all of our biblical conversations "Grandmaster", I hope to see you on the other side. You are loved and sorely missed! May your soul respect in peace and your family be blessed in Jesus' name!

Kevin Ragland,MSM
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Kevin Ragland - January 04, 2017 at 11:29 PM

LS

Kevin this is leila smith from kung fu class. Please call me at 832-837-6419

Leila smith - March 16, 2019 at 01:02 PM

DT

“ A respected leader is gone. Grandmaster Edmonds was a true martial artist.



Dr. Clifford L. Thomas - December 08, 2016 at 04:21 PM

BA

“ *My condolences to the Edmonds family. I will always be grateful for the kindness of his heart.*
Barbara



Barbara - December 06, 2016 at 09:54 PM

RF

“ *Ralph Fequa purchased the Wings of Gold Set for the family of Leon James Edmonds.*



Ralph Fequa - December 06, 2016 at 03:59 PM

MF

“ *In memory of the passing of a Great Worrier and the mutual conquest of the world. Lee has always shown support and encourage, for Golden Snake Kung-fu school Lee will surely be missed. Fair well my Brother, this is just another journey you will always hold a special place in our heart. (RIP)*

MASTER PASTOR RALPH FEQUA - December 06, 2016 at 02:16 PM