



James "Jimmy" Louis Gatlin

June 14, 1938 - May 13, 2019

James "Jimmy" Gatlin

Jimmy, age 80, went to his heavenly home Monday, May 13, 2019. Lifelong resident of Pumpkin Center and a member of Trinity Baptist Church. He was an avid hunter; his hunting grounds stretched from the swamps of Louisiana up to the hills of Mississippi. Jimmy also enjoyed hunting on the property of the Millbrook Hunting Club. As a gardener, Jimmy earned himself an excellent reputation. Everyone said that his Better-Boy Tomatoes and his Poles Beans were amazing. Jimmy proudly served his country in the United States Army. Later in life he joined the Fraternal order of Masons. Jimmy was a skilled carpenter, who built everything from houses to offices. He retired as a carpenter's foreman in the physical plant at SLU. He was a good friend to many and he never met a stranger. For Jimmy, no project was too big nor too small. He dearly loved his family, and his redbone coon-dog, 'Barney'. May the Good Lord hold him in His arms, and keep Jimmy in His Grace. Jimmy will be remembered and missed by all who knew and loved him.

Jimmy is survived by his loving wife of 54 years, Linda Jenkins Gatlin; son, Jeff Gatlin and wife Jennifer; special nephew, Cole Jenkins; sister, JoAnn Starkey; brother, Wally Gatlin; numerous nieces and nephews.

Jimmy is preceded in death by his parents, Hollister and Bernice Gatlin; sister,

Margaret Herring; brother, McArthur Gatlin.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the visitation from the chapel of Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home, Hammond, on Wednesday, May 15, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Bro. Dickie Nelson will give an evening closing prayer. Visitation will resume on Thursday, May 16, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until the Funeral Service at 11:00 a.m. Bro. Avery Dixon will officiate, with interment to follow in Trinity Baptist Church Cemetery.

Condolences and other information are available online at www.thompsoncares.com.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Trinity Baptist Church Cemetery

42062 Pumpkin Center Rd.
Hammond, LA

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 15. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Brandon G. Thompson Funeral Home
12012 Hwy. 190 West
Hammond, LA 70401

Visitation

MAY 16. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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Funeral Service

MAY 16. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

WG

“ *Rest in peace Jimmy
JoAnne Garrett*

Wanda JoAnne Garrett - May 16, 2019 at 04:13 PM

GH

“ *Mrs. Linda/Jeff,*

I am so sorry to hear of Mr. Jimmy passing. My greatest memories of him will always be the times he would follow us to watch us play softball. No matter where in the world we went he was always there. We had some great times at the ball field, we laughed so much that our sides hurt sometimes. Mr. Jimmy had such a sense of humor, he would get this serious look on his face and then he would say something so funny and everyone would just explode with laughter. There was also the times we spent together at the town hall in Albany, between him and Russell everybody would be laughing so much that the girls working there would have to call us down about being too loud. He will be greatly missed by all the guys he used to watch play softball. He was a fixture at the ball field and we all loved him, especially my brother Jason. I think Mr. Jimmy thought Jason was the greatest softball player ever. He was a good man, and will ever be missed by all who knew him.

Sincerely,

Gene Hoyt Jr.

Gene Hoyt - May 15, 2019 at 09:32 AM

JE

“ Rest easy, Mr. Jimmy, you will be missed greatly. I miss working with you at Physical Plant.
Jennifer

jennifer - May 15, 2019 at 09:01 AM

JB

“ Jimmy was one of the best brother in laws anyone could ever hope for. Praying for his family at this time . Always remember the good times.....Janice

Janice Brown - May 15, 2019 at 07:44 AM

DL

“ Mr. Jimmy was always so nice to me at SLU & whenever I saw him we always had a great conversation. Prayers for your family.
Denise Lee

Denise Lee - May 14, 2019 at 10:05 PM

GA

“ So sorry for the loss of a dear long time friend. Our prayers are with you.

Gordon Anderson - May 14, 2019 at 03:56 PM