



Jerry "J-Bird" M. Dykes

July 29, 1951 - March 26, 2017

Jerry "J-Bird" M. Dykes

Jerry, age 65, went to his heavenly home on Sunday, March 26, 2017, at the Carpenter House in Baton Rouge surrounded by his loving family. A resident of Holden, he was a one of a kind person, a hard worker, and a great man. He enjoyed being outside working with his hands, from woodworking to being on his tractor, rabbit hunting, or even just piddling around. Jerry loved his family and raised four amazing girls, who would follow him around where ever he went with his wonderful wife of 43 and a half years, Donna M. Dykes. He had a dairy farm when his girls were little where he taught them to milk the cows, clean the barn, and learn important life lessons. Jerry loved to joke around with his quick comebacks and could not be caught off guard, which his second and most favorite daughter, Natalie picked up quickly. Many wonderful memories were made over the years that will never be forgotten. His grandchildren were his world, teaching them to hunt or playing in the yard with nerf guns, he was the best paw-paw anyone could ever ask for. He was a loving husband, father and paw-paw who will be greatly missed.

He leaves behind his wife; daughters, Danielle Graziano and husband Michael, Natalie Dykes, (secretly the favorite) Jennifer Ellzey and husband Charles, Carrie Durbin and husband Ross; grandchildren, Austin "Sonny Boy" Bassemier and partner Rebecca "Becca" Truesdale, Carlon Graziano, Lauren

Ellzey, David Ellzey, Madison Durbin, Avery "Tater-bug" Durbin; great-grandchild on the way, Addison "Addie-bug" Bassemier; as well as his sisters, Nell Perryman and husband Rodney, Caroline Pierce and husband Walter,

Preceding Jerry in death were his parents, Joseph and Vida Dykes; and numerous siblings.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend the visitation at Bethel Baptist Church in Livingston on Wednesday, March 29, 2017 from 6:00 pm. until 9:00 p.m. Visitation will resume on Thursday at the church from 9:00 a.m. until the Celebration of Life Service at 12:00 p.m. Bro. Charles Ellzey will be officiating the services with interment to follow in H. C. Durbin Family Cemetery.

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

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

Cemetery Details

H. C. Durbin Family Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **29**. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Bethel Baptist Church
20419 Circle Dr.
Livingston, LA

Visitation

MAR **30**. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Celebration of Life Service

MAR **30**. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jerry "J-Bird" M. Dykes.*



March 28, 2017 at 10:04 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Jerry "J-Bird" M. Dykes.*



March 28, 2017 at 05:33 PM



“ *Family, I am truly sorry for the loss. Mr. Jerry was an Absolute Wonderful Man and I am very glad that my daughter and I had the honor of him being in our lives for many years. He will be Dearly Missed but Never Forgotten.*

*Sincerely,
Tony and Victoria Lewis*

Tony Lewis - March 28, 2017 at 06:51 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jerry "J-Bird" M. Dykes.*



March 28, 2017 at 12:37 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jerry "J-Bird" M. Dykes.*



March 27, 2017 at 05:59 PM