



James E. Bailey

July 12, 1929 - August 25, 2020

Funeral services for Mr. James E. Bailey, 91, of Gainesboro, TN, will be held on Saturday, August 29, 2020, at 11 A.M. at Anderson Upper Cumberland Funeral Home in Gainesboro, TN. Burial will follow in the John L. Clark Memorial Cemetery in the Stone community of Jackson County.

The family will receive friends on Friday from 4 P.M. – 8 P.M., and Saturday from 10 A.M. until time of services.

He was born July 12, 1929, in Jackson County, TN, to the late Rad Bailey and Ethel Mosley Bailey. He was married to the late Lora Bailey, who passed away May 16, 2017. He was an electrician, and a member of the McCoinsville Church of Christ. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War.

In addition to his wife and parents, he was preceded in death by 2 Half-Brothers: Campbell and Rhuben Bailey; 3 Sisters: Grace Rodgers, Joyce Hix, and Myrtle Ramsey; and Sister in Law and Brother in Law: Harlin and Jo Poston.

Survivors include 1 Son: Ronnie (Sandy) Bailey of Baxter, TN; 2 Daughters: Anita Bailey of Calhoun, TN, and Carolyn Bailey of Lebanon, TN; 3 Grandchildren: Erin (Nathaniel) Clancy, Matthew Bailey, and Austin Bailey; 1 Niece: Linda Vantrease of Lebanon, TN; and 1 Step Grandson: Chase Duncan.

Bro. Jimmy Anderson will officiate at the services.

Due to COVID 19, the family requests that visitors please wear face masks.

Cemetery

Events

John L. Clark

Memorial

Jennings Creek Hwy
Gainesboro, TN,
38562

AUG Visitation 04:00PM - 08:00PM

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AUG Visitation 10:00AM - 11:00AM

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AUG Service 11:00AM

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Comments



“ An external video has been added.



Anderson Upper Cumberland Funeral Home - August 30, 2020 at 10:42 AM



“ Anita, Carolyn, and Ronnie, Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family. Your dad was such a wonderful person. I have so many fond memories of visiting both your folks when we would come down from Indiana. He was always so proud of all of you! I know he's with your mom and our Lord. I am the daughter of Betty Jean (Martin) Kraft.

Debbie (Kraft) Younger - August 28, 2020 at 11:40 PM



“ While I don't know Mr. James Bailey, I'm quite sure his legacy and traits are carried by his son Ronnie. I know Ronnie comes from a quality lineage and I'm thankful to have met him working. My thoughts and deepest condolences are with this family. I pray the Lord watch over them all and comfort them during this time. May the Lord Bless and keep each of you.

Wesley Martin - August 28, 2020 at 07:42 PM



“ Had I lived in Gainesboro, James is someone I would be close friends with. A prince of a gentleman, he always had a warm peace about him. I knew him in limited capacity through my mother, Joan Bailey, but always remember him coming around when we came to visit.

My thoughts and prayers are with family

Adam Ruffin

Adam Ruffin - August 28, 2020 at 06:06 PM



“ James you were a fine man and friend to our family. You were always very kind to me. I'll always remember how you always supported me and my family. If we were in town, we were sure to see you. You were always interested in me and my family. God bless you and your family.

Chris Ruffin - August 28, 2020 at 11:27 AM



“ Anita, Carolyn, and Ronnie, Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family. Your dad was such a wonderful person. I have so many fond memories of visiting both your folks when we would come down from Indiana. He was always so proud of all of you! I know he's with your mom and our Lord.

Debbie (Kraft) Younger - August 28, 2020 at 11:30 PM



“ James and Lora were wonderful neighbors and friends. He will be missed on Cassetty Lane. George and Pat

George Cassetty - August 27, 2020 at 06:16 PM



“ Years ago, I had the opportunity to disembark an airplane in St. Johns, Newfoundland. Why did that matter? It was because my cousin James had been stationed in the Air Force here during the Korean War. I had seen pictures of this place, and I was excited that two Bailey's from our family had the opportunity to visit this far off land--a most unlikely thing for the two of us to have in common.

I remember Lora as a beautiful young girl working at one of the drug stores in Gainesboro. I remember being very excited when I learned she and my cousin James were going to be married.

I was seventeen years old when that wedding occurred at the Big Bottom Church of Christ. It was a double wedding: James and Lora and Junior and Frances Hall. I was so excited. I had never been to a wedding before. I remember both girls looked so beautiful and I think both guys were a little bit nervous, but Brother Wallace Hawkins had them say their vows and all was well. After the wedding, most of Big Bottom and lots of relatives went to the wedding supper prepared by Aunt Ethel (James' mother) and my mom (Ofa Bailey). Many, many times through the years James thanked me for my mother's part in that wedding supper. To him and Lora, it was so very special. James and Lora were always so kind to my parents and they loved James and Lora dearly. James and my dad were first cousins, but they could have been brothers because of the close relationship they shared. My husband and I often attended the Big Bottom Reunion through the years and this was always a time to visit with James and Lora, and they, along with Grace, Joyce, and Myrtle and Kenneth visited with us when we lived in CA. What precious memories of those times!

James was never the same after Lora went home to be with the Lord. Now he is with the Lord too and their spirits are united again. Many blessings to Anita, Caroline, Ronnie, their families, and all the grand children. What a wonderful heritage James has left for you! What a great Christian example James has left for all of us. He carried Jesus in his heart. We will always love you, James.

Frank and Frances (Bailey) Morris

Frances L. Morris - August 27, 2020 at 02:43 PM



“ Debbie Abel purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of James E. Bailey.



Debbie Abel - August 27, 2020 at 02:04 PM



“ Lora Bates lit a candle in memory of James E. Bailey



Lora Bates - August 27, 2020 at 01:38 PM



“ Prayers for your family. I went to church with Mr. James and Ms. Lora when I was younger. They were wonderful people. Mr. James always had a smile on his face and Ms. Lora was always kind spoken and caring.

Lora Bates - August 27, 2020 at 01:43 PM



“ Have You Fell in a Well Lately?

One of my favorite memories of James is when he came to my rescue after I fell in a well while visiting Mother and Dad in Tennessee about 25 or so years ago. It was such an extraordinary happenstance that James and I spoke of it nearly every time we got together, usually at the annual family reunions in September. To relate the story, James was always on my Mother's first call list when she needed someone quickly. She placed a call to him that I had fallen through the side porch floor into a well and we needed help. My Mother and Dad's farmhouse was built in the early 1900s when big front and side porches were practical. Many porches had a well beneath them and a hand pump on the porch for drawing water. This well at Mother's had long been abandoned and the pump removed before they owned the Baugh Hollow property when city water became available. My Mom and Dad nor I ever knew there was a well beneath the side porch. That is, until I happened to 'rediscover' it when I stepped on a rotten board and fell into the well opening. Fortunately, I didn't fall deep in the well, but unfortunately, the fall broke my ankle. This is when Mama called James to help us. He came immediately with Anita and a rope to pull me out and also called the emergency rescue squad in Gainesboro. He went to the hospital with us and waited while I was x-rayed and patched up well enough to return to my home in Columbia for a permanent cast. I must add that he always willingly did more than what was asked of him. In this case, he drove to the Nashville airport and picked up my husband, Tom, to drive the injured me back to Columbia. From then, his greeting to me was often, "Have you fell in any more wells, lately?" This is just one of the reasons James is so special to me. And the beautiful part is that James would have done the same for anyone. That is just the kind of man he was. Rest in peace, James. It is well deserved.

Joan Bailey Philpot

August 27, 2020

Joan - August 27, 2020 at 12:13 PM



“ Russ& Cathy Hyde, Ramona& Jimmy Hardy purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of James E. Bailey.



Russ& Cathy Hyde, Ramona& Jimmy Hardy - August 27, 2020 at 10:11 AM



“ Anita, Carolyn, and Ronnie,

I am so sorry for your loss. I loved your Dad and cherish many family memories we made together. I will miss him and so grateful to call him 'Family'.

Love,
Joan and Tom Philpot

Joan - August 26, 2020 at 11:33 PM



“ Joan and Tom Philpot and Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of James E. Bailey.



Joan and Tom Philpot and Family - August 26, 2020 at 11:14 PM



“ Jimmie Wiley lit a candle in memory of James E. Bailey



Jimmie Wiley - August 26, 2020 at 07:58 PM



“ Uncle James was a wonderful caring man of integrity that was always willing to help others. He had a smile and a laugh that brought joy to many. He will be missed!

Patty Lyon - August 26, 2020 at 06:48 PM



“ Wilma Howard lit a candle in memory of James E. Bailey



Wilma Howard - August 26, 2020 at 05:06 PM



“ James contributed greatly to the Alex Cassetty Practice Facility at JCHS. He was a great friend and client. He will be missed by many friends and family. You did well, James Bailey.....sac.....

sac - August 26, 2020 at 04:53 PM



“ Prayers for Ronnie, Carolyn and Anita



Melinda Tallent - August 26, 2020 at 04:29 PM