



Mr. Thomas Ray James

October 22, 1928 - August 30, 2017

Thomas Ray James, 88, of Arab, died Wednesday August 30, 2017 at Marshall Medical Center North.

Mr. James was born October 22, 1928 in St Clair County to Ira Deal "Jack" James and Crin Coffee James. He served in the Alabama National Guard for one year and worked as a maintenance supervisor for Huntsville Hospital until his retirement. His wife Verdus Hilda Hornsby James preceded him in death January 29, 2014. He enjoyed spending time outdoors, woodworking, gardening, and loved to repair things. He loved his dog Lucy.

Mr. James was a member of Old Brashiers Chapel United Methodist Church. He is survived by his daughter: Connie James Abbott; a sister: Jackie Lewis; grandchildren: Brandon and Darlene Abbott; great grandchildren: McKenzie Abbott, RileyGrace Abbott and Logan Abbott; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. He was preceded in death by his wife: Verdus Hilda Hornsby James; his parents: Jack and Crin James; his brothers: Bobby James and Donald James; his sisters: Billie Chancelor, Norma Gail Palmer and Elsie Reneman.

Funeral service will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday September 2, 2017 at Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel with Brandon Abbott and Nicky James, officiating. Burial will be in Brookwood Cemetery with Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel, directing.

Pallbearers will be Joe Williams, Drew Brown, Terry Beam, Jeff Yarbrough, Bud Jolly, Rob Keel, Tommy James and Will Brown.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Jonathan Hornsby, Ross James, Andrew James, Ben James and Dewayne Jackson.

Visitation will be 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Friday September 1, 2017 at Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel.

Cemetery Details

Brookwood Cemetery

2059 Old Guntersville Road
Arab, AL 35016

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 1. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel
1340 North Main Street
Arab, AL 35016
(256) 586-4100

Service

SEP 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JA

“ Jeff and Angie Almasy purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mr. Thomas Ray James.



Jeff and Angie Almasy - September 01, 2017 at 09:24 AM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Thomas Ray James.



August 31, 2017 at 05:29 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Thomas Ray James.



August 31, 2017 at 04:38 PM

CW

“ Catie & Horace Willis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas Ray James



Catie & Horace Willis - August 31, 2017 at 02:25 PM

RL

“ *RANDY LINDBLAD lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas Ray James*



RANDY LINDBLAD - August 31, 2017 at 01:01 PM

AT

“ *Ray was truly one of the best people I have had the honor to know. I am so thankful he came into my life and tremendously saddened that he has gone. I will take his kindness and humor with me always.*

Amanda Tolbert - August 30, 2017 at 10:49 PM



“ *Ray was so kind and genuine, he taught me many lessons about many things and though he had no formal education anyone who knew him will tell u how smart he was. I am truly blessed to have gotten to know him and his wonderful family so well. I will miss him every day for the rest of my life.*

Pamala Swann - August 30, 2017 at 10:29 PM