



James Ellis Grimes

October 25, 1948 - January 19, 2018

James Ellis Grimes was born October 17th, 1948 in Hickman County Tennessee. He was the first son born to the late Jesse Bryant Grimes and Mary Ruth Tarkington Grimes. He was named after both of his grandfathers, the late Jim Grimes and Ellis Tarkington.

Jimmy was educated in the Hickman County Public School System. He graduated from OH Bernard in Centerville, TN and earned his Bachelor of Education degree from Tennessee State University.

Jimmy was baptized into Christ at an early age at Fort Cooper Church of Christ in Hickman County TN.

He was preceded in death by his Parents, two Sisters Shirley C. Paden and Wanda L. Grimes and one Brother Van L. Grimes.

Jimmy is survived by his devoted daughters Tajuan Woody-Mahatoo (Donnie), Enjoli Grimes, Nadia Kelly; granddaughters, Tiara Jones, Markayla, Madison and Jasmine; two sisters, Yvonne Grimes and Carol Demonbreun; three brothers, Nathaniel Grimes (Barbara), Jesse Grimes, and Carl Grimes (Tracy); one uncle, Charles M. Grimes; two aunts, Melba Hamler and Gladys Grimes; along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends.

Cemetery Details

Grimes Cemetery

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 24. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McDonald Funeral Home, Inc. - Hickman County
102 West End Ave.
Centerville, TN 37033
(931) 729-3561

Visitation

JAN 25. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Funeral Service

JAN 25. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

SG

“ *Shalonda Aka Shondah Grimes lit a candle in memory of James Ellis Grimes*



Shalonda aka Shondah Grimes - November 18, 2019 at 03:20 PM



“ *We r going to miss u so much. U always put a smile on our faces. We r going to miss all the phone calls and coming to c u. I will always hear u call me Mrs.Ed iam going to miss that... R.I.P. Jimmy.
Mrs. Ed and Ed*



Stephanie Woodard - January 24, 2018 at 05:34 PM

NJ

“ *So sorry for your loss*



Nancy Johnston - January 24, 2018 at 09:41 AM

AC

“ Alisa Collins lit a candle in memory of James Ellis Grimes



Alisa Collins - January 24, 2018 at 09:24 AM

NG

“ My most recent memory Of Unc was just a few weeks ago. We were over home visiting him and Enjoli the night before our beloved aunt Wanda's funeral! Uncle just came back from the store and he was cooking up a storm! Dad had went to the store to go get us dinner and while waiting on dad uncle Kept telling Ben and I to eat! We kept saying that we were ok we'd just wait for dad to bring us dinner. After about 3-4 time he finally INSISTED! So of course we must respect our elders we made us a plate!! Plus you cannot go to a Grimes house and NOT eat it's just not acceptable. So.. Ben and I shared a plate because we didn't want to get in trouble with dad because he too is persisting on us eating. It was funny because, Once we saw dads head lights come up the hill Ben and and I scarfed it down real quick and scraped our plates and hurried up and put in the sink as if nothing happened! Like we were two little kids up to something. And I told uncle Jimmy don't tell on us!! lol he said he wouldn't! He told me come back in the morning he'd make me jowl bacon. I wished I could have had that breakfast with him! He was the one and only person I allowed to call me Nikki. RIH uncle Jimmy Jam! ❤️ Always

Nichole Grimes-Smith - January 23, 2018 at 11:03 PM

AA

“ Thanks for Love! Until we meet again!

Amanda Anderson - January 23, 2018 at 09:21 PM

TM

I do not remember meeting James, but I am well acquainted with his brother, Nathaniel, and his sister, Carol. Shirlee and I sends our deepest sympathy and condolences to the entire Grimes family. Our prayer is that God, in his special way, will be with this family today and in the future days he gives, strengthening and consoling your hearts and minds until your spirits return to him who gave them.

*God Bless,
Timothy & Shirley McCleskey*

Timothy McCleskey - January 25, 2018 at 09:46 AM

SG

My Uncle Jimmy was the greatest!! I have so many wonderful memories of me, him and Jeremiah up on the hill. The many dinners, talks, and laughs. He was there to encourage me and lend a shoulder when i need him and for that I am forever grateful. Shine down on us Angel, i know that you are still here guiding and watching over us. Jeremiah misses you too...and Spooky and the girls. we love you, tell mother & granddaddy, Shirley, uncle Van and Wanda we said we miss them. Tell granddaddy I said "Always." See y'all on the other side Namaste.

Shalonda aka Shondah Grimes - November 18, 2019 at 03:30 PM