



Ronnie O. James

August 15, 1946 - May 27, 2020

Mr. Ronnie James, 73, of Hohenwald, passed from this life into glory on Wednesday, May 27, 2020 at the Maury Regional Medical Center.

He was born on August 15, 1946, on Slippery Creek in Lewis County, to Dewey R. James and Bettye Sisco James. On April 19, 1968 =, he married the love of his life, Bertha Laxton. They resided in Hohenwald.

Ronnie was one of the most active citizens that has ever lived. He was a Lewis County Commissioner for over 30 years. Once that concluded, he became a member of the Lewis County Election Commission from 2003-2017. Along with those, he was also a member of the Housing Authority Board, the State Forestry Committee, the Railroad Authority, and several other boards and organizations. He was a member of the United States Army and served as a combat engineer. Once he got out of the service, he was a proud and dedicated member of the VFW. He never missed paying his respects at a Lewis County Veteran's funeral. He was a dedicated member of the Slippery Church of Christ.

Along with his wife, he is survived by a son, Randy (Kerri) James, of Hohenwald, a daughter Diana "Tilda" James, of Franklin, TN, a sister, Sandra James, of Nashville, TN, three grandchildren: Kynzi, Nathan, and Peyton James, and a special friend, Emily Skelton. He is also survived by several

nieces and nephews.

Along with his parents, he is preceded in death by a brother, Mike James.

Graveside services will be held on Saturday, June 6, 2020, at 10:00 AM, in the Edwards Cemetery.

If you wish to make a donation in memory of Ronnie, please do so to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUN 6. 10:00 AM (CT)

Edwards Cemetery
Cane Creek Rd

Tribute Wall

RM

“ *Ronnie And Peggy Melton lit a candle in memory of Ronnie O. James*



Ronnie and Peggy Melton - June 05, 2020 at 05:30 PM

JW

“ *It was an honor and pleasure to have known Mr. Ronnie. He always spoke from the heart with a smile on his face. He gave us all solid fatherly advice to carry us through life. I will carry you in my heart always. You were one of the finest men I've ever known. May you all find strength through his love and continue his legacy. Bless y'all & love to you.*

Jennie Forrest Watkins - June 01, 2020 at 06:15 PM

LO

“ *Lisa Owen lit a candle in memory of Ronnie O. James*



Lisa Owen - June 01, 2020 at 04:21 AM

TO

“ Tommy Owen lit a candle in memory of
Ronnie O. James



Tommy Owen - June 01, 2020 at 04:20 AM

DJ

“ My memories of Ronnie James aka Daddy are filled with love. We
always knew he loved us no matter what.
He taught Randy and me to always treat others with respect and
dignity. To always be fair and speak the truth. To do whatever you
could to help anyone in need. To admit to your own mistakes. I
could not be more proud of him.

He was the best Husband, Father, Grandfather, Father-in-law,
Brother, Uncle, Cousin, and Best Friend to us all.

We all love you Daddy.

Diana James - May 31, 2020 at 12:50 AM

JR

“ Jerry/Betty Risner lit a candle in memory of
Ronnie O. James



Jerry/Betty Risner - May 30, 2020 at 10:14 PM

IR

“ Thoughts and prayers to the family. So sorry to lose a classmate and a dear friend to me and my family. We love you all.



Ira and Florine Riley - May 30, 2020 at 05:29 PM

PC

“ Ronnie was a good man & will be missed. Prayers for his family and friends. 💕



Peggy Cagle - May 30, 2020 at 11:17 AM

PB

“ Lifting you all up in prayers at this difficult time. Kerry and I are keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers. Over the years working with Kerri I heard lots of stories about Ronnie and the family, and I know how much he meant to everyone. He's home in glory now, but he will be forever in your hearts.

Pam Burgett - May 30, 2020 at 11:07 AM

GC

“ Ronnie was a kind man ,we have known him along time.Our son fell off his roof and Ronnie has called him several times and even offered to take him to Dr .thats the kind of man he is . He will be missed by many Prayers for his family



Gary &Debbie Carroll - May 29, 2020 at 10:40 PM

JK

“ Jimmy and Debbie Kimble
He was a very kind person and will be greatly missed. Our thoughts
and prayers are with your family.

Jimmy and Debbie Kimble - May 29, 2020 at 04:31 PM

KM

“ Kay Lynch Murphy lit a candle in memory of
Ronnie O. James



Kay Lynch Murphy - May 29, 2020 at 02:54 PM

LD

“ Ronnie was a great guy who practiced what
we try to preach. He was helpful and always
polite. A pleasant guy to be around. Our
condolences go out to his entire family and
friends. Larry and Mary Dorning



Larry and Mary Dorning - May 29, 2020 at 12:28 PM

JA

“ Sorry to hear of your loss. Ronnie was truly a
great man and will be missed by all that knew
him.



Joe Ashmore - May 29, 2020 at 11:24 AM

BS

“ *Berry & Mary Seiber sent a virtual gift in memory of Ronnie O. James*



Berry & Mary Seiber - May 29, 2020 at 09:59 AM

VE

“ *Jerry and I are so sorry for your loss. Prayers for you all.* ❤️ 🙏



Vicky Edwards - May 29, 2020 at 09:34 AM

TJ

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with each of you (Ms. Bertha, Randy, Kerri, Kenyzi, Nate & Peyton). We were so sorry to hear about the death of Ronnie. I know the grand-kids are going to be totally lost without him! He lived for those kids and you could see the love in his eyes when he talked about them. Our love and deepest sympathy.*

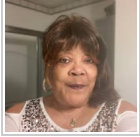


Thelma/Clovis Johns - May 29, 2020 at 02:01 AM

BH

“ *Ronnie was one of the nicest people I have ever known. It was my pleasure being able to grow up around the James family. Thank you*

Barbie howarth hensley - May 28, 2020 at 10:12 PM



“ I remember Mr. James as a straight forward and honest gentleman who had a fantastic sense of humor. I served on a Community and political Boards with him and was always amazed with his candor and simple problem solving advice. He always had a smile and a pleasant demeanor. I met him back in the early 70's in the political arena and was always enthralled at how he handled issues at hand, especially political..RIP Mr. Ronnie, I learned a lot from you.....Mrs. Bertha, you were truly his spiritual soul mate.

Alice Tubbs - May 28, 2020 at 09:42 PM



“ David Spears lit a candle in memory of Ronnie O. James



David Spears - May 28, 2020 at 09:41 PM



“ Susan Eslick lit a candle in memory of Ronnie O. James



Susan Eslick - May 28, 2020 at 09:35 PM

CF

“ *Ronnie was so nice to me. I will never forget him.* ”



Connie Ferguson - May 28, 2020 at 09:17 PM

BM

“ *Brenda Hensley Mash lit a candle in memory of Ronnie O. James* ”



Brenda Hensley Mash - May 28, 2020 at 09:11 PM

GS

“ *Glenda Smotherman lit a candle in memory of Ronnie O. James* ”



Glenda Smotherman - May 28, 2020 at 08:57 PM

LH

“ *Lynda Hinson lit a candle in memory of Ronnie O. James* ”



Lynda Hinson - May 28, 2020 at 08:52 PM

KS

“ *Kim Grover Smotherman sent a virtual gift in memory of Ronnie O. James*



Kim Grover Smotherman - May 28, 2020 at 08:41 PM

CB

“ *My sincere condolences to the James family as Randy and Kerri are dear friends. Ronnie will be missed so much by his sweet family. My prayers are with you all.*



Connie Bowen - May 28, 2020 at 08:34 PM

MW

“ *Mandy Wilkinson lit a candle in memory of Ronnie O. James*



Mandy Wilkinson - May 28, 2020 at 08:33 PM

DL

“ *David & Sandra Lowery lit a candle in memory of Ronnie O. James*



David & Sandra Lowery - May 28, 2020 at 07:48 PM

MM

“ *Mary McNabb lit a candle in memory of Ronnie O. James*



Mary McNabb - May 28, 2020 at 06:27 PM

SS

“ *Stan/Lori Smith lit a candle in memory of Ronnie O. James*



Stan/Lori Smith - May 28, 2020 at 05:58 PM

CM

“ *Ronnie was one of the closest friends I have ever had. He was the type that had that twinkle in his eye and magic in his heart, a person everyone loved to be around. He can't be replaced, we just have to learn to get by without him for the time being. Rest now my friend, you have work to do in your heavenly home.*

Calvin Moore - May 28, 2020 at 05:48 PM

SJ

Thank you so much for your kind words Calvin. I feel like I know you because Brother felt the same and talked about you all the time. ❤️

Sandra K. James - May 29, 2020 at 07:36 PM

AD

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family



Are,us & Ernestine Dye - May 28, 2020 at 05:38 PM

WH

“ Wanda Hudson lit a candle in memory of
Ronnie O. James



Wanda Hudson - May 28, 2020 at 05:17 PM

WB

“ Wilma Bush lit a candle in memory of Ronnie
O. James



Wilma Bush - May 28, 2020 at 05:02 PM

CS

“ Charlotte Staggs sent a virtual gift in memory of
Ronnie O. James



Charlotte Staggs - May 28, 2020 at 04:58 PM

CS

Ronnie was one of the best, a kind and gentle spirit who loved his family, his community, and his country. He led with integrity and by example. To Bertha and the family are my sincere condolences.

Charlotte Staggs - May 28, 2020 at 05:00 PM

TS

Mr. James always had a smile and a wave each time I saw him. I love this family and am so heartbroken for yaw. Tilda n Randy and Ms. Bertha... yaw are all in my prayers. Tammy n William Scott

Tammy Scott - May 28, 2020 at 05:15 PM

GD

Prayers for the family

George Doyle - May 28, 2020 at 06:37 PM

KD

Such a good man. We all will miss him.

Kenny Durham - May 28, 2020 at 06:48 PM

DA

Charlotte Staggs hit the nail on the head! Ronnie was all that and more. David and I will always remember you friend 🥺🥺

David - May 28, 2020 at 07:54 PM

BH

Ronnie made everyone feel special. He was a dear friend. Always kind. Special prayers for Bertha and all the family.

Braden and Patsy Hinson - May 29, 2020 at 06:23 AM

SR

I new Ronnie well..I am so sorry to hear this about him.he was a good man.prayer are coming your way.steve runions

Steve runions - May 29, 2020 at 07:11 AM