



Jimmie Blankenship

March 24, 1938 - September 3, 2019

Jimmie Blankenship, age 81 years, a resident of rural Golconda, Illinois, passed away Tuesday morning, September 3, 2019, at 7:31 AM at Baptist Health in Paducah, Kentucky.

Jim was born March 24, 1938 in Carrsville, Kentucky. He was the son of Luther Larkin Blankenship and Flora (Woods) Blankenship.

On June 14, 1964, Jim was united in marriage to Patsy Reed at the Dixon Springs Baptist Church. She survives.

In addition to his wife, Jim is survived by: his sons – Ed Blankenship and Terry (Laura) Blankenship all of Golconda; Grandsons – Caleb of Glasgow, Kentucky, and Carter and Cale both of Golconda; a great granddaughter – Darcy Rae of Glasgow, Kentucky; a sister – Edna Reed of Golconda; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law – Sharon (Jonah) Butler of Harrisburg, Clyde (Judy) Mott, Jr. of Simpson, Donna Souders of Brookport, Bobby (Carolyn) Reed of Carbondale, Lonnie (Carla) Reed of Harrisburg, and Ronnie (Vickie) Reed of Simpson; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and many friends.

In addition to his parents, Jim was preceded in death by 2 sisters – Louise Turner and Mary Blankenship; a step-brother – Harmon Wayland; a sister-in-

law – Bonnie Mott; 3 brothers-in-law – Clarence Reed, Gene Reed, and Pat Souders; and 2 nephews – Jim Ozee and Tom Schnake.

Jim was a 1957 graduate of Pope County Community High School. He entered military service in 1961 in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Germany. He was honorably discharged in 1963 from active duty and continued his reserve duty until 1967.

Jim was employed in the service department of Ben Anderson Chevrolet in Golconda. He later worked in the delivery department of the Good Luck Glove Factory in Metropolis and for many years was the deliveryman for Robbs Lumber Company, prior to his retirement.

Jim loved woodworking, raising rabbits, camping and spending time with his family.

A service honoring the life of Jim Blankenship will be conducted Saturday morning, September 7, 2019, at 11 AM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Jerry Parr will officiate. Burial will follow in the Glendale Cemetery. Military graveside rites will be accorded by the Beggs-Gurley VFW Post # 5222 of Vienna and the Illinois National Guard Burial Honors Detail.

Visitation will be held Friday evening, September 6, 2019, from 5 PM – 8 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-1905 www.st.jude.org

Cemetery Details

Glendale Cemetery

IL State Route 145
Simpson, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 6. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home
705 North First Street
PO Box 695
Vienna, IL 62995
(618) 658-2311
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com
<https://baileyfh.com>

Service

SEP 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Military Honors & Flag Presentation

SEP 7. 12:45 PM (CT)

Glendale Cemetery
IL State Route 145
Simpson, IL

Luncheon

SEP 7. 1:30 PM (CT)

Dixon Springs Baptist Church
964 State Highway 146 West
Golconda, IL

Tribute Wall



“ *Jimmie Blankenship*

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ *Sorry to hear of Jim's passing. I have known Jim since bicycle age. We were all together on the hill in Golconda, growing up. He will be missed by us all.*

Dallas Davis - September 05, 2019 at 07:09 PM



“ *You will be missed Uncle Jim. Prayers to Aunt Pat and all family for strength and ct*

Nova Palmer - September 05, 2019 at 02:32 PM



“ *Oliver Butler, girls and families purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jimmie Blankenship.*



Oliver Butler, girls and families - September 05, 2019 at 01:48 PM

JB

“ Pat, Ed and Terry - Keeping you and all of your family in our prayers.
Love Jon and Tracey



Jon and Tracey Bray - September 05, 2019 at 01:39 PM

TR

“ Our heart breaks for your family. May you feel all the prayers being said for each of you during this time. Love Tresa, Scotty and Bailey



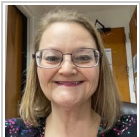
Tresa - September 05, 2019 at 11:34 AM

JS

“ John Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of Jimmie Blankenship



John Slack - September 04, 2019 at 07:04 PM



“ Tammy Hacker lit a candle in memory of Jimmie Blankenship



Tammy Hacker - September 04, 2019 at 02:41 PM

MJ

“ *Pat and Family, So sorry for your loss, prayers for comfort and peace in the days ahead!* ”



Melvin & Patty Jeffords - September 04, 2019 at 10:52 AM

MD

“ *Sending Prayers and Much Love to all of The Family 🙏🙏🙏* ”



Marsha Mathis Dodson - September 04, 2019 at 09:17 AM



“ *With Deepest Sympathy Gift Basket was purchased for the family of Jimmie Blankenship.* ”



September 04, 2019 at 12:06 AM

FB

“ *Faye Bowman lit a candle in memory of Jimmie Blankenship* ”



Faye Bowman - September 03, 2019 at 08:58 PM