



## James Bernard "Jimmy" Hawkins, Jr.

May 27, 1961 - July 14, 2021

James Bernard "Jimmy" Hawkins Jr., long-time resident of Crawfordville, FL, died peacefully at home on July 14, 2021, at the young age of 60.

The Man. The Myth. The Legend. Was born May 27, 1961 in Newport, Arkansas. Graduating class of 1979 from Oil Tough High School, in Independence Arkansas. He moved to Crawfordville, FL, met his partner in life Robyn L. Scott, raised two hardheaded kids, started James Hawkins Drywall LLC, with his cousin and partner in crime Keith Oneal (plenty of stories with these two). He loved Little Debbie Cakes, Reeses Cups, Dr. Pepper with Salted Peanuts, Lottery Tickets, Bush Beer, Winston cigarettes, Football, Nascar, Old Westerns, George Jones, and that woman of his. A simple country man who worked hard, with few words, the biggest heart, and a devoted Papa to three grandchildren. He will be truly missed and never forgotten. Go Rest High Old Timer, your work here is done.

He was predeceased by his partner in life, Robyn L. Scott, his mother, Odalen (Laxton) Hunt and father, James Bernard Hawkins Sr.

He is survived by daughter Kodie L. Nix, son-in-law James R. Nix "Richie;" son Tyson L. Scott; three grandchildren, Andrew P. Nix, Layla A. Scott, and Kadence R. Nix; sister and brother-in-law Debra Laxton-Balser and Roger Balser; sister Rhonda Hunt; and a host of loving aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, and nephews.

Celebration of Life Service will be held on Sunday, August 8, 2021 at Wakulla County Community Center, 318 Shadeville Road, Crawfordville, FL 32327, at

3:30 p.m. EST.

Graveside Service will be held on Saturday, August 14, 2021 at Gulf Cemetery, S Co Hwy 393 in Santa Rosa Beach at 10 a.m. CT

David Conn and Kimberly Crum with Bevis Funeral Home of Crawfordville are assisting the family with arrangements. (850-926-3333, [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com))

# Tribute Wall

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“ For 21 years I've known and been a neighbor of Jimmy. Such a BIG heart, hard working family man. Until yesterday I did not know his last name, he was listed in my phone as "James next door". I will miss you. I will never forget you. My life has one less friend in it now. Give Robyn a hug for me.

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**Mark Moffett** - July 17, 2021 at 07:35 AM

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“ Jimmy was tough as steel, silent, but golden. He always hugged my neck when we would see one another. And then he would give me that grin and ask me “Stayin’ outta trouble” as he knew I always had something up my sleeve. I will miss those hugs and the laughs we shared just talking about nothing at all. Rest easy Jimmy, you’ll forever be in our hearts!

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**Shannon Silvey** - July 16, 2021 at 10:49 PM

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“ There are so many memories I could share it would be mind blowing. But the one I want to share isn't really mine. You see our mother, Odalene, was his biggest fan. For 5 years it was him and her a love so great a bond so tight that when I came along Momma thought there would be conflict and jealousy. But there was none only love. Momma told me she let him name me because he didn't like the name she picked for me. So instead of Rita I am Debra Kay said together like one name. I thanked him often about that. When he told us he was leaving to go make a life of his own Momma threw him a party and even while her heart was breaking she smiled thru it all. Standing in the kitchen bags packed he said “I love you Momma. I'll call you Sunday no matter where I am at 7 o'clock pm. I promise”. He was 17 and for the next 16 years he kept that promise. She would wait for that call and he never disappointed her. They'd talk for long periods of time. We never knew what about and neither one never said but she's be on cloud nine for a few days. Some years after her passing he confessed that every Sunday he still picked up the phone dialed her number then put the phone back in its cradle. We never said goodbye we always said “I love you I'll see ya later”. So....  
I Love You! I'll see you later Bubba  
Have Robyn set a plate at the table for me and a pony Miller beer.

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**Debra Kay Balse** - July 16, 2021 at 04:41 PM

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“ Jimmy was always the silent, strong family member in the background. He loved my niece Robyn with all his heart. He was such a giving loving partner, father and Papa. We should all strive to be such a sweet humble person. 😭

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**Linds Williams** - July 16, 2021 at 04:21 PM