



Jimmy Lee Butler

February 10, 1955 - July 3, 2017

Jimmy Lee Butler, 62, passed Monday, July 3, 2017 following a much anticipated trip to Michigan with family.

Jimmy was born on February 10, 1955 in Tallahassee, FL. He graduated from Leon High School where he was well known for his skills in baseball, a passion that followed him throughout his life. Jimmy's desire to help others and travel led him to serve in the U.S. Coast Guard, where he met and married his wife in Mobile, AL. To assure time with his family, Jimmy decided to move his family back to Tallahassee, FL. After his Honorable discharge from the Coast Guard, he became a firefighter with the Tallahassee Fire Department. Jimmy retired as a Lieutenant after serving 25 years. Jimmy loved to travel, fish and spend time with his family. He was devoted to his wife of 41 years, Gwynn, and was happiest when they were traveling in their RV, showing her the world.

Jimmy was preceded in death by his parents, Henry "Tom" and Romie Dean Butler.

Jimmy is survived by his wife, Gwynn; daughter, Jennifer Berry (Bobby) and son Todd Butler (Brittany). His grandchildren to whom he adored; Raigan Funderburke (Cuen), Allyssa Butler, Hailey Butler, Brileigh Butler, and great-grandson, Varian Funderburke. He is survived by his siblings; Patricia Rhodes (Jim), Charles Butler (Susan), Edna Butler (Tom Kriel) and Sandy Singleton (Gary). Jimmy also left behind several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, in-laws, and many friends who feel fortunate to have shared his life.

Jimmy requested a Celebration take place to honor his memory in lieu of a service. Jimmy was never fond of “dressing up” and wanted his celebration to be casual (jeans, shorts, etc.), filled with stories and laughter. To honor his wishes, the Celebration of Jimmy’s Life will take place Saturday, July 15, 2017 at The Dogwood House from 12-2 pm, 2552 Capital Circle, Tallahassee, Fl. We invite you to join us to celebrate Jimmy’s life.

Scotti Thompson of Bevis Funeral Home is assisting the Butler family with their arrangements. (www.bevisfh.com 850-385-2193)

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUL 15. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

The Dogwood House
2552 Capital Circle
Tallahassee, FL 32308

Tribute Wall

BF

“ One year ago Edna, Sandy, Charles, and Patty lost their "bubba" Jimmy Lee Butler and it has been a sad and long year... but we know that he is no longer in pain and he is in the loving arms of our Lord and savior Jesus Christ. He is also I with our parents, and all his other relatives and friends. We miss you bubba. You are gone but never forgotten. We love you so much.



Love,
your siblings and nieces and nephews and brother and sister in laws

Butler family - July 03, 2018 at 12:19 AM

EB

“ Happy Heavenly Birthday to my brother Jimmy Lee Butler, I miss you so much.. I miss our weekly phone calls and our visits. I know that sometime I cannot believe that you are know longer with us but I know you are up there with mama and daddy and our other relatives and friends, Denese Hancock is up there know with her family and her friends. I talk to Gwynn weekly now and she misses you so much and I know Jennifer and her family and Todd and his family miss you also. We miss your smile and just everything about you. I love you so much and please know you are in my heart everyday . I love you bubba !!! Again Happy Heavenly 63rd Birthday!!! Veronica misses you and other friends say they miss you also . Please kiss Mama and Daddy for me and the other relatives and friends. Love and miss you. Me and Tom miss you so much.



*Love your sister
Edna Mae Butler*

Edna Butler - February 10, 2018 at 01:34 AM

CC

“ Jimmy was my childhood backdoor neighbor. He was such a good looking kid, and I think at one time or another all of us girls in the neighborhood, either went out with Jimmy, or had a secret crush on him. I won't say which category I fell in, :) but lets just say, it was a fun growing up time. He was a true gentleman, and always did what we girls asked of him. A true southern gentleman. You will always be in our thoughts and prayers Jimmy. Our love to the whole family. As some would say...you were the goodie in the middle of the Butler's kids sandwich. Right smack in the middle. :)
Love,
Charlotte Hartsfield Cantrell

C Cantrell - July 14, 2017 at 12:56 PM

EB

yes Charlotte he was a cutie pie and he was the apple of my mama Romie Dean Butler's eye. Our bubba will never be forgotten. :) :) :)

edna butler - July 14, 2017 at 01:33 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Jimmy Lee Butler.*



July 14, 2017 at 11:11 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jimmy Lee Butler.*



July 13, 2017 at 07:06 PM

EB

“ Here are my vivid memories of my precious brother in memory of him :

He was born in Tallahassee, Florida on 2/10/55 he was and will be the apple of our mama Romie Dean Harrison Butler eye. He was the 3rd of 5 young'uns growing up in Tallahassee Florida he had many childhood friends: Stevie Palardis, Randy Donaldson, Bobby Willis, Veronica Marsh, and All the friends from the Green Street Gang . We did not have much we had our problems but we had a lots of love and fun. Being a typical brother we had fusses but always knew where we stood we all loved each other. Jimmy was very much a blonde hair blue eyed cutie pie . He was very athletic and we saw him play football and baseball at Centennial Field in Tallahassee and also t Levy, Messer and Raa parks. He skated very well. He played baseball at Leon high school and was fabulous at the position of catcher his idle was Johnny Bench but as fate has it his career was cut short due to a very bad accident to his elbow. I cannot leave out his female friends that were at part of out family at one time Cindy Bevis, Sandy Townsend My precious mama said one time that Jimmy was the reason that God made the answering machine precious anyone after graduation he in to United States Coast Guard me, my precious sister Sandy and our precious friend Veronica Marsh would go over to Panama City and see him and then he a Fireman with the Tallahassee Fire department he has 25 years He retired as a Lieutenant. He was retire for 10 years and from time to time me and my boyfriend Tom Kriel would stop by and see on our way back home and he was such a hard worker always working in that yard and it was so nice just like my precious daddy did would laugh and talk about old times and sometimes and the last 2 visits he would unload on me and tom and we kissed him bye and the last time I talked to him before his last trip he said the 4 of us go out and eat when they got back. Even thought that never happened always know we all loved you and we ill always hold those precious memories in our hearts , Patty Rhodes, Sandy Singleton , Charles Butler your sister in law and brother in law and all the friends and all your uncles and aunts love you and will miss



but I know you are having a great time with our mama in heaven she has her Jimmy back.

*With all my love
your sister
Edna Mae Butler*

edna butler - July 13, 2017 at 12:30 PM

EB

please keep the remaining Butler siblings in your thoughts and prayers

edna butler - July 13, 2017 at 12:33 PM

EB

these are my memories of Jimmy before 1975 and then a little memories in later years all of these people were great memories and people in Jimmy's and our lives. Love and miss you bubba!!!

edna butler - July 13, 2017 at 05:51 PM

EB

just to clear confusion .. after getting a phone call from my niece I had the 1st tribute deleted and I did another one that left out the whole family and these were memories mostly before 1975 and a little at the end of his life so no one should get mad or angry at this one all names mentioned were a part of his life BEFORE 1975. Thank you

Edna Butler - July 14, 2017 at 07:01 AM

EB

I forgot to mention another good childhood from of his Bobby Howard... Sorry I forgot you were over all the time.

edna butler - July 14, 2017 at 10:25 AM

VH

“ My heart is broken as I sit here and think about Jimmy. I have so many memories of him. I grew up spending slot of time in the Butker home and he became another big brother to me. Spent many days at his home in Panama City when he was stationed in the Coast Guard. He always had a smile in his face. Rest In Peace my friend. I will see you again one day. Love always, Veronica Marsh Haire

veronica Haire - July 10, 2017 at 08:42 PM

EB

hold fast to these memories because they are our memories

edna butler - July 12, 2017 at 03:00 PM

EB

did we ever have good times then. Jimmy was such a handsome young man in High school and even before than he was the apple of my mama's eye. I know you is glad to see him!!

edna butler - July 12, 2017 at 04:33 PM

EB

“ Jimmy, I will miss you so very much and you know how much I love you. We had such great time when we were young and I will forever keep those memories in my heart and never forget those precious memories. You are up in heaven now with mama and daddy and the rest of the relatives and friends. God bless all of family as we mourn your lose but we all see you again.



*Love your sister
Edna Butler and Tom Kriel*

Sopchoppy, Florida

Edna Butler - July 10, 2017 at 07:26 PM