



James R. Wheeler

April 17, 1949 - January 19, 2023

Coleman Funeral Home of Olive Branch

James R. Wheeler, also known as “Jimmy” or “Big Jim”, 73, of Olive Branch, MS passed away peacefully at his home on Thursday, January 19, 2023. He was surrounded by his family and fur babies which he loved so much. There will be a graveside service held at 3:30 pm on Thursday, January 26, 2023 at Blocker Cemetery.

Jimmy was born on April 17, 1949. Jimmy served honorably in the U.S. Marine Corps for six years. He was a member of New Prospect Baptist Church, the Oak Grove Masonic Lodge, the Olive Branch Shriners, and the Marine Corps League until his health declined. Jimmy worked as a Project Manager Engineer for the Federal Government. Jimmy loved his family and he will be missed by all who loved him.

Jimmy is survived by his wife of fifty-five years, Gloria Wheeler; daughter, Tonya Wheeler; grandson, Justin Wheeler; granddaughter, Jennifer McClure (Dustin); four great-grandchildren, Brielle Wheeler, Zayden McClure, Zoey McClure, and Zaylee McClure, who will be making her appearance into the family any day); two sisters, Brenda Chappell and Lisa Haley; and one brother, Johnny Burns.

Jimmy was preceded in death by his son, Robbie Wheeler, mother, Joyce Burns and father, Lee Burns.

In lieu of traditional flowers, donations may be made in his name to the Tunica Humane Society, 4500 Fox Island Rd, Tunica, MS, 662-519-1700 (www.tunicahumanesociety.com).

Online condolences may be made on his tribute wall at www.colemanfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall

JB

“ Thanks for your friendship and your service Jimmy. RIP.
John Bomer

John Bomer - January 25, 2023 at 03:34 PM

RB

“ We remember Jimmy fondly as a classmate from Overton '67; we
are sorry for your loss.

Rebecca & Bert - January 25, 2023 at 10:38 AM

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“ Rest in peace, you will be missed..

Thomas Richard Stanifer - January 23, 2023 at 08:41 PM