



James A. "Jim" Harper

November 12, 1947 - December 27, 2023

James A. (Jim) Harper, 76. of Hazlehurst, joined his Heavenly Father on December 27, 2023, surrounded by his loving family at his home. He was born November 12, 1947 in his same home in Hazlehurst, MS to J.S. and Myrtis Harper.

Mr. Harper lived an exemplary life with honesty, integrity, fairness, and a true love for God, family, friends, his community, and his country. He was an active member of First Baptist Church of Hazlehurst and was a member of Sanderson Sunday School Class.

He graduated from Delta State University in 1970. It was there he met his future wife, Cathye Crutcher Harper. They married in July of 1971.

After settling in Hazlehurst he managed Copiah Finance Company for many years before joining the Hazlehurst Fire Department in March 1985 and was Fire Chief from 1997-2004. After he left the fire department, he then became Jail Administrator for the Copiah County Sheriff's Department. Mr. Harper became a dispatcher for the Hazlehurst Police department in 2007 and remained there until he became ill in 2023. He also served six years for his country in the Army National Guard as a medic.

Mr. Harper was preceded in death by his parents J.S and Myrtis Harper. He is

survived by his beloved wife, Cathye Crutcher Harper; his two daughters, Aimee (Bert) Bell and Allison (Kyle) Foil, both of Byram; and his grandchildren Harper, Annelise, and Jay Bell; Payton and Price Foil.

In lieu of flowers the family request donations to the Mississippi Blood Services <https://msblood.com/> in Jackson, MS in honor of those facing Leukemia or any other blood disorders.

The visitation will be 11:30am-2pm Sunday at Stringer Family Funeral Home in Hazlehurst. The service will be 2pm Sunday at Stringer Family Chapel with burial at Hazlehurst Cemetery.

Watch service here: <https://youtube.com/live/JGiTShpOp1U?feature=share>

Cemetery Details

Hazlehurst Cemetery

Sinclaire St.
Hazlehurst, MS 39083

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **31**. 11:30 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Stringer Family Funeral Home - Hazlehurst
PO Box 884
28023 Hwy 28
Hazlehurst, MS 39083
(601) 894-1331
stringerfuneral@bellsouth.net

Funeral Service

DEC **31**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



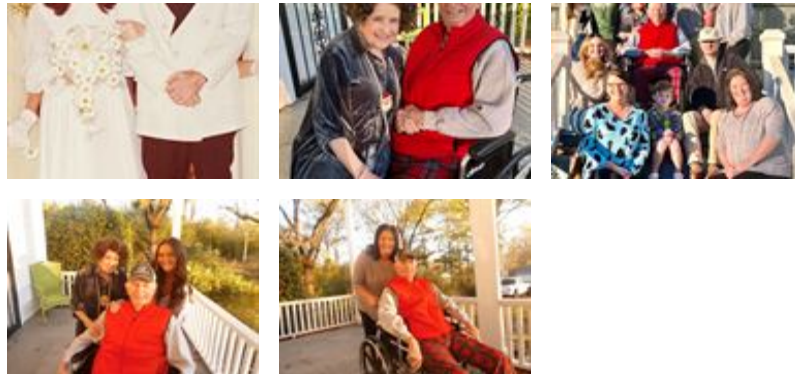
“ *Stringer Family Funeral Service created a Tribute Video in memory of James A. "Jim" Harper*



Stringer Family Funeral Service - December 29, 2023 at 01:37 PM



“ *75 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Stringer Family Funeral Service - December 29, 2023 at 12:42 PM

AC

“ *I always remember your steadfastness when Robert died. You were a rock. The the loving care you and Cathye gave to Heather was so comfortiing..*

Anna Coates - December 29, 2023 at 10:05 AM

DH

“ Sorry to hear this. Enjoyed our friendly competition playing baseball when in school

Denny Hydrick - December 29, 2023 at 09:27 AM



“ Sandra Cliburn sent a virtual gift in memory of James A. "Jim" Harper



Sandra Cliburn - December 29, 2023 at 07:09 AM



John 14....May God Grant Ya'll His Sweet Peace and His Sustaining Strength In The Coming Days...Jimmy Touched Many Lives and All Are Better For That Wonderful Christian Witness....Forever In Our Hearts

*Sandra Cliburn
Freddie Cliburn*

Sandra Cliburn - December 29, 2023 at 07:16 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of James A. "Jim" Harper.



December 28, 2023 at 09:59 PM

MV

“ *May and Byron Hanna and Elli Vokaty purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of James A. "Jim" Harper.*



May and Byron Hanna and Elli Vokaty - December 28, 2023 at
04:50 PM