



Mr. J.P. "James" Meece

July 10, 1941 - December 9, 2016

J.P. (James) Meece, 75, of Arden, died Friday, December 9, 2016. The son of the late Roy and Lillian Marlow Meece, J.P. worked as a carpenter and home builder most of his life. J.P. married his wife, Betty J. Conner Meece in 1962, and resided in Arden, NC.

He was a wonderful husband and father for 54 years. A great dad who loved his children and their families, especially loving the time spent with the "grands" and "greats." J.P. enjoyed the outdoors, his family and going to flea markets where he met a lot of friends. He loved to talk "old times" with anyone who would listen. Preaching and gospel music became his favorite kind of life.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Meece was preceded in death by his son, Kenneth D. Meece; brother and his wife Kermit and Betty Meece, brothers, Arvil, Boyce, David, and Eric Meece, sister and her husband Eithel and James O'Kelly. He is survived by his wife Betty of Arden; sons, Tony V. and his wife Anita S. Meece of Salisbury, NC and Scott A. and his wife Melinda J. Meece of Arden daughter and fiancé Tina M. Meece and Robert Bodwell of Shelby, NC; grandchildren, Andrew Jones, Jessica Meece, Tabatha Hartman, Dustin Rice, Robert Bodwell Jr., and Scott Bodwell; great grandchildren, Elizabeth, Kayleigh, and Autumn; sisters, Jeannie M. Marriott and Nanci M. and husband Milo Garren; inlaws, Bill, Buddy, Bobby and Barbara Conner; and several nieces and Nephews.

A visitation will be held on Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at Mt. Gilead Baptist Church from 3-4:00PM, a funeral service will start at 4:00PM with Pastor Greg Pippin officiating. Graveside rites to follow.

Highlands Cremation & Funeral Care, 2393 Hendersonville Rd., Arden is in charge of the arrangements.

Previous Events

Family to Receive Friends

DEC 13. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Mt. Gilead Baptist Church
56 Mt. Gilead Church Road
Mills River, NC 28759

Funeral Service

DEC 13. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. J.P. "James" Meece*

October 09, 2023 at 01:52 AM



“ *Mr. J.P. "James" Meece*

October 08, 2023 at 10:49 PM



“ *Mr. J.P. "James" Meece*

October 24, 2022 at 11:11 PM



“ *To Betty & Family:*

Sooo Sorry for your loss! I wanted so much to attend the services for J.P but my schedule didn't permit.

Please know I am here for you if you need anything.

May God be with you in the days ahead and find comfort in knowing you will be united again!

*Your Friend,
Carol. Whitaker*

carol whitaker - December 14, 2016 at 10:04 AM

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“ I remember when I was young how he Loved getting out in the yard with his kids s well as anyone that was there edit was like he was a little kid his self and as I got older I seen the Love that grew so much for the Lord and his kids and then I Loved talking over old times with him about his parents and how wonderful things use to be years ago and he couldn't stop talking about his family and grandchildren and great-grandchildren I wish we had set down and just talked for hours he was a Special person and so are each member of the family I Love each of you . Samuel Ruth



Samuel W Ruth - December 13, 2016 at 01:25 PM

VI

“ Scott,
Sorry to hear about your loss. I can remember being younger and our Dad's talking and laughing at the convenience store on the way to a job. We will be thinking about you and your family.
Vicki Turner Lawson & Tony Lawson

Vicki - December 12, 2016 at 12:25 PM

DC

“ I will miss your wonderful sense of humor and your remarkable ability to recall stories about the "growing-up" years of the Meece kids. I wish I had gotten to know you better and had more time with you. I will miss you terribly.

Delonna Meece Clendenin

Delonna Clendenin - December 12, 2016 at 10:44 AM

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“ *Amy Hess lit a candle in memory of Mr. J.P.
"James" Meece*



amy hess - December 11, 2016 at 02:53 PM