



James Howard Thomas

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James ?Jimmy? Howard Thomas, 77, of New London passed away on October 16, 2020 at FirstHealth Hospice House in West End, NC. A graveside service will be held at 3PM on Sunday, October 18, 2020 at Open Door Baptist Church with Rev. Nathan Hammill officiating. The family will receive friends in the fellowship hall after the service.

Jimmy was born May 17, 1943 in Stanly County to the late James Cleveland Thomas and Beulah Chandler Smith. He was a member of Yadkin Falls Lodge #637 in Badin. Mr. Thomas enjoyed farming, working on tractors and equipment, and tinkering with anything he could get his hands on. He retired as owner and operator of Pat and Micks Fish House in 2014. He was a people person and loved being able to help others.

Mr. Thomas is survived by his wife of 58 years Jan Cagle Thomas; daughter Denene Mills (Michael) of Albemarle; James Derrick Thomas of New London; grandchildren: Ethan Thomas, Erik Thomas, Madelyn Mills. He is preceded in death by brother Sherrill Smith and stepfather Ethan Smith.

Stanly Funeral and Cremation Care of Albemarle is serving the Thomas Family.



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IC

Irv Crump posted:

Jan, Derrick, and Denene: I am so very sorry to read about Jimmy's passing. I have only good memories of him - as well as all of your family - from the days when I worked at Pat & Mick's Fish House. You were all so very good to me; Mick even "adopted" me! I can't believe it's been over 50 years ago. That I have such vivid and dear memories is a testament to your loving family. I'm thinking of you and wishing you peace. I'm sure you have tons of memories to help you during these difficult times. Sending love to you all. Sincerely, Irv Crump

October 30 at 2:39 PM

KT

Kellie Tucker posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. You are all in my prayers.

October 25 at 6:00 AM

PL

Pat Leonard posted:

Jan I am so sorry to see where Jimmy went to be with the Lord in heaven. I pray for you and the entire family. I loved Jimmy, he always made me laugh and sometimes got me in trouble with our jokes at the fish camp, but I wouldn't change a thing. I miss and love you and pray for you all. Great man, great big heart and always smiling. That's how I will remember him. Prayers for you all.

October 23 at 11:31 AM

BH

Betsy Heath posted:

Denene, thinking of you and the family.

October 20 at 7:32 AM

BC

Beth Cook posted:

Jimmy was such a wonderful boss to my son, Travis Gibson for many years. He was a big part of his teen years and helped to shape the man he is today.

October 18 at 12:39 PM



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DC

Doug Clayton posted:

Sorry to hear of jimmys passing. I knew him ever since working at federal Pacific with him as a young man.He was a o k.

October 18 at 11:31 AM

AB

Alan And Gail Burris posted:

All our thoughts and prayers are with you all ! Jimmy was a good man and we loved talking with him . A friend that will be missed greatly !

October 18 at 9:21 AM

CT

Carol Cagle Troutman posted:

So sorry Jan and family. I remember when you and he eloped. Me mama and Daddy came to see ya'll and Aunt Mick was on the porch just bawling her eyes out. We thought something really bad had happened. Come to find out, she had just found out you and Jimmy had gotten married. He certainly made them a wonderful son-in-law and words can't express what a wonderful husband he was to you and a great dad as well. I know this is one of the hardest and toughest times in your life. My family will be thinking of you and yours. Praying for God's comfort and peace. We love you all.

October 17 at 3:17 PM

GM

Gordon And Sharon Mason posted:

Prayers for the whole family

October 17 at 1:57 PM

AT

Annette Thomas posted:

Jimmy was my cousin. I am so very sad. Jan, Denene and Derrick I am so sorry for your loss. I think about you often and will be keeping y'all in my thoughts and my prayers.

October 16 at 12:37 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring James by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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