



James Dixon Blankenship

October 12, 1931 - June 1, 2020

Age 88 of Springfield, TN passed away Monday, June 1, 2020 at the Residence of Alive Hospice in Nashville, TN. He was born October 12, 1931 in Jackson County, TN to John Leslie & Letchie Mae Dixon Blankenship. James was the owner of Acme School Supply Company for more than 35 years and was involved in many community projects. He was a horse enthusiast, enjoying raising and showing Tennessee Walking Horses. He was a member of NSSEA and the Tennessee Walking Horse Association. Graduating from Jackson County High School, he went on to attend Tennessee Tech and then served in the US Army during the Korean War. James was also a member of Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church. He is preceded in death by his parents; wife of 54 years, Alice West; 2 sisters, Edna McCawley and Polly Murphy; daughter-in-law, Brenda Bean; son-in-law, Richard Chopyak. He is survived by stepson, Gerald G. Bean, White House, TN; stepdaughter, Harolene Chopyak, Scottsdale, AZ; his beautiful 93 year old sister, Frances Cassetty, Jackson County, TN; several loving nieces and nephews. Graveside service and interment is scheduled for Wednesday, June 3, 2020 at 1pm in White House Memorial Gardens with Bro. Sam Brown officiating. There is no public visitation planned. However, a Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be scheduled at a later date. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Alive Hospice 1718 Patterson Street Nashville, TN 37203. REMAINS REST AT AUSTIN & BELL 533 Highway 76 White House, TN 37188 (615)672-5000 www.austinandbell.com

Cemetery Details

White House Memorial Gardens

3629 Hwy 31 W
White House, TN 37188

Previous Events

Graveside service

JUN 3. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James Dixon Blankenship.*



June 02, 2020 at 02:01 PM



“ *Frances Cassity
I saw you brother"s obit just now and sorry for your loss. Perhaps you will not remember me from Lipscomb Class of X61, Faye Elliott Jackson.*

Faye JACKSON - June 02, 2020 at 12:09 PM



“ *I worked for uncle James for several years riding horses cleaning stalls and showing horses.I had wonderful good times with him. I will miss him greatly*

Richard Murphy - June 01, 2020 at 09:31 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of James Dixon Blankenship.*



June 01, 2020 at 04:16 PM

JB

“ Mr. "B" gave me my first ride on a TN Walking horse and after that one ride I was hooked. I was fortunate to spend many hours in his barn riding, laughing and shoveling poop! :) He and Alice both welcomed me into their home and hearts and will be sadly missed.

Jacci Barrow - June 01, 2020 at 03:58 PM



His old stable from Central Pike is near the Dollar General at 231 if u are in Lebanon

Brian Lunn - April 24, 2021 at 01:04 AM

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“ Jimmy has been my next door neighbor for 27 years and a dear neighbor he was for all those years. I have missed Alice since her death in 2014 and now I will be missing them both. I just saw Jimmy on his tractor about three weeks ago and spoke to him only six days ago when he told me he was very sick. At least I heard his voice and we shared a short chat. But now I will try to focus on the happier memories. Rest in peace Jimmy.
Shelly Rosenberg

Shelly Rosenberg - June 01, 2020 at 03:45 PM