



James Donaldson Spain Sr.

August 16, 1942 - July 21, 2025

James Donaldson Spain, Sr., age 82, of Greenbrier, passed away Monday, July 21, 2025 at Northcrest Medical Center. Graveside services will be conducted at 10am Saturday, July 26th at Springfield Memorial Gardens with Bro. Phillip Trent officiating. Pallbearers will be Matthew Spain, Emery Spain, Jason Spain, Chris Conquest, Nick Keith, and Jimmy Ratzer, and Billy Brown will serve as an Honorary Pallbearer.

The family will receive friends from 4-8pm Friday, July 25th at the Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Greenbrier.

Mr. Spain was born August 16, 1942 in Joelton, TN, to the late Emerson Leon Spain and the late June Gregory Peay Spain. He was a retired Lineman and Field Superintendent for Nashville Electric, having served for 37 ½ years.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Spain was preceded in death by his wife of 56 years, Gay Spain; son, James D. Spain, Jr.; grandson, Chad Spain; brother, Charles Raymond Spain; and his sister, Ann Gregory Spain.

He is survived by sons, Frank (Joy) Spain and Greg (Stephanie) Spain; daughters, Carlene Veigel and Penny Spain; 6 grandchildren, Matthew, Shelby, Mallory, Emery, Jacqueline and Josh; 3 great grandchildren, Noah, Finley and Kaylee.

Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Greenbrier is in charge of these arrangements.

AUSTIN & BELL FUNERAL HOME-

2619 HIGHWAY 41 S., GREENBRIER, TN 37073 (615) 643-4000

Cemetery Details

Springfield Memorial Gardens

Springfield, TN 37172

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 25. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Austin & Bell Funeral Home Greenbrier
2619 Hwy 41 S
Greenbrier, TN 37073
(615) 643-4000
<https://austinandbell.com>

Graveside Service

JUL 26. 10:00 AM (CT)

Springfield Memorial Gardens
4005 Memorial Blvd
Springfield, TN 37172
(615) 384-5437

Tribute Wall

MW

“ Our deepest sympathies on the loss of your father/grandfather/family member. On the day we moved into our house J.D. came over to introduce himself and welcome us to the neighborhood. He told us they were the kind of neighbors who wouldn't get into our business but if we ever needed anything he was more than happy to help. And that was exactly the kind of neighbors we were to each other for 25 years. He was always eager to have neighborly chats whenever our paths crossed. His passing is definitely going to leave a void and he will be missed. We know he had several loved ones who were waiting to greet him on his arrival to Heaven. Time for his well-deserved rest. RIP J.D.

Marilyn & Walter - July 25, 2025 at 03:38 PM



“ 105 files added to the album LifeTributes



Austin & Bell Funeral Home - July 25, 2025 at 02:48 PM

CJ

“ *Carlene, Josh, & Jacqueline purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of James Donaldson Spain Sr..*



Carlene, Josh, & Jacqueline - July 24, 2025 at 09:34 PM

MH

“ *Mickey and Rose Hudgins purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James Donaldson Spain Sr..*



Mickey and Rose Hudgins - July 23, 2025 at 05:49 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of James Donaldson Spain Sr..*



July 23, 2025 at 02:56 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Donaldson Spain Sr..*

July 23, 2025 at 02:56 PM

TK

“ *Mr. Spain was a great man. Always had kind words, a wave or lending a helping hand. A wonderful neighbor. We have great respect for Mr Spain and his wonderful family. Love to you all. Travis & Kathy Holliman*



Travis & Kathy - July 23, 2025 at 10:21 AM

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“ *Travis, Kathy and Colt Holliman purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of James Donaldson Spain Sr..*



Travis, Kathy and Colt Holliman - July 23, 2025 at 10:13 AM

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“ *Travis, Kathy and Colt Holliman planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Donaldson Spain Sr..*

Travis, Kathy and Colt Holliman - July 23, 2025 at 10:13 AM

BW

“ *Mr. Spain was always kind to my family. When Mom died a few years ago he came. He always waved when I drove by and would always ask how we were doing whenever I saw him. I know he was met at the gates of heaven by Mrs. Spain and is chatting it up with my parents and grandparents.*

Billie Jo (Bj) White - July 22, 2025 at 07:46 PM

LC

“ *Lorraine & Cat purchased the Beautiful in Blue
for the family of James Donaldson Spain Sr..*



Lorraine & Cat - July 22, 2025 at 06:24 PM