



## Jim Rippetoe

April 12, 1947 - March 9, 2017

Jimmy “Jim” Harel Rippetoe, age 69 of Pleasant View, was the 5th of 6 children in the Charlie D. and Lucille Qualls Rippetoe family. He was born April 12, 1947 and died March 9, 2017.

He is survived by 2 brothers, Billy and David Rippetoe, and 2 sisters, Ruth Russell and Joann Whitaker. He leaves behind his wife of 43 years, Patsy Nicholson Culwell Rippetoe. Jim was a devoted family man and leaves with cherished memories, his children by choice, Chuck Culwell and Amy Culwell Douglas, their spouses, Sherry Culwell & Micheal Douglas, and 5 grandchildren, Luke & Jacob Culwell, and Micaela, Dawson, and Mia Douglas, as well as his precious 2 year old Addie, daughter of friends, Michael & Cassey Digby.

After graduating high school, Jim proudly volunteered for the U.S. Army in 1965 and served in Vietnam from 1966 to 1970. He made a career in the Army National Guard Springfield, retiring in 2002 as a 1st Sergeant.

In addition to his parents, Jim has waiting for him in eternity, his elder sister, Bobbie Jean Shumate, three special brothers-in-law, Kenneth Dowlen, Donnie Russell, and Robert Whitaker.

Jim was of the protestant faith and a member of Providence Baptist Church.

Pastor David Price and Bro. Gene Parton will hold the service.

Arrangements are with Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Pleasant View where visitation will be Friday, March 10th, 5-8pm and again on Saturday from 9am till the hour of service at 11 o'clock am. Interment will be at Good Springs Cemetery with his grandsons and Michael Digby, Toby Rippetoe, and Mark Rippetoe serving as pallbearers.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Providence Baptist Church Building Fund. Donations may be sent in care of Austin & Bell Funeral Home in Pleasant View.

AUSTIN & BELL FUNERAL HOME in PLEASANT VIEW is in charge of these arrangements. (615) 746-4433 [www.austinandbell.com](http://www.austinandbell.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 10. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Austin & Bell Funeral Home, Pleasant View  
6316 Hwy 41A  
Pleasant View, TN 37146  
(615) 746-4433  
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## Visitation

MAR 11. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Funeral

MAR 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Interment

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MAR 11 (CT)

Good Springs Cemetery  
Pleasant View, TN 37146

# Tribute Wall

EJ

“ Oh Pooh, We can't believe that that fun loving character is no longer with us. What a great smile, and we'll never forget his "giggle." We had some wonderful times together. Your love for each other and the Lord shown brightly for all to see and we are all blessed by having known him. And, oh, how he loved his family. We wish so much that we could be there to hug you and remind you that you are not alone. We know we'll meet up with Jim again someday. Maybe play a little Scrabble. Until then our prayers are for you and your family. Ernie & Judi

Ernie & Judi - March 17, 2017 at 08:20 PM



“ Patsy, I'm so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.



Diane Traughber - March 11, 2017 at 09:00 AM



“ Pasty, so sorry to hear of your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Karen Webb Harrington

Karen Kenny Webb-harrington - March 10, 2017 at 07:13 PM

MF

“ Poo and Jim have been dear friends for several years. My wife Helen was especially blessed by the both of them as she visited several times a week with them--while I worked. We often ate Sunday lunch at some restaurant with Poo and Jim prior to moving to Alabama, but enjoyed their company as they visited us a little South of Pleasant View. They were a fun couple. Jim was the quiet one--but could he grill--and Poo the venturesome spirit.

*May God make more of their kind.*

*Poo! I'll just bet Jim and Helen are having a great time in Heaven while you and I grieve. Rest assured there will come a time when our grief will turn into rejoicing.*

*Milton Fields*

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**Milton Fields** - March 10, 2017 at 01:32 PM

MT

“ Milton and Cathryn Turner purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jim Rippetoe.



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**Milton and Cathryn Turner** - March 10, 2017 at 12:51 PM

JF

“ Jimmy "Birdy" Burton & Family purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Jim Rippetoe.



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**Jimmy "Birdy" Burton & Family** - March 10, 2017 at 12:26 PM



“ 52 files added to the album Life Tributes



Austin & Bell Funeral Home - March 10, 2017 at 11:00 AM

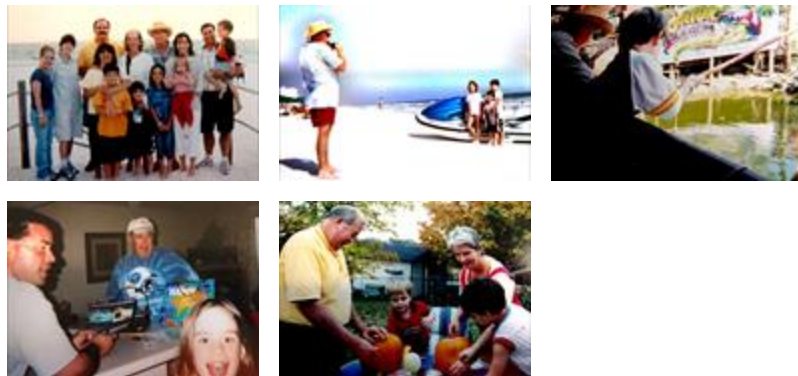


“ Pat, you and your family our in our prayers. We love you.  
Martha and Becky Tinch

Becky Tinch - March 10, 2017 at 09:14 AM



“ 5 files added to the album New Album Name



Chuck Culwell - March 10, 2017 at 08:26 AM

BI

“ 1SG(R) Jimmy Rippetoe will be missed by all. He was a good man who successfully guided many young man to successful careers in the military. He always put everyone's needs above his own and went above and beyond in taking care of people. May God bless Patsy and the family during this difficult time. God bless.

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**Bill** - March 10, 2017 at 07:54 AM