



Jimmie Frank Adams

October 3, 1934 - August 29, 2024

Jimmie Frank Adams passed away in Huntsville, TX on August 29, 2024, at the age of 89. He was born October 3, 1934, to James Lewis and Frankie Faye Ross Adams in Jacksonville, TX. He attended Crockett Grammar School and Crockett High School. In the 5th grade, he was placed in the high school marching band. He played coronet, and for many years he played Taps for soldiers of the Korean War who were buried in Crockett. Jimmie played football for 6 years starting on the high school team when he was in junior high. He was Captain of the Senior high football team his senior year and was All-District Guard his Junior and Senior years. Some of the ball players were hired each summer by the Hwy department for shoveling gravel, etc., which kept them in condition. He was 5'7" and 180 lbs and had offers from Arlington Junior College and University of Houston but he felt he was not big enough for college football. He was also president of his sophomore high school class. When he graduated high school, he was ranked in the Texas National Guard as a Staff Sergeant. He continued making meetings in Orange, TX and sending in the required reports to the Crockett National Guard office. Strangely, the reports were not recorded there. Since Crockett was a small town, his Dad was notified that Jimmie was about to be drafted. To keep his rank, he joined the Army. He was sent to Ft. Knox, KY and was assigned a platoon to take through basic training. After basic he was sent to supply school to become a supply sergeant. On completion he was assigned to Ft. Lewis Washington and sent to Korea where he was a Battalion Supply

Sergeant. While in Korea he was the company athletic director and coached a championship softball team. (This as based on his history in high school as a four-year letterman.) He also worked evenings at the non-commissioned officers club. After 16 months in Korea, he was shipped to California and honorably discharged. His service time totaled 14 years which included the National Guard time.

Jimmie moved to Beaumont, TX after graduation to live with his Grandmother Ross and enrolled in Lamar University in 1953 as a Business Major and President of the Society for Management and a member of Delta Sigma Pi where he served as the secretary/treasurer. Jimmie worked at Western Auto store while in college and was later hired by the Federal government as a rice inspector where he worked two years inspecting rice at mills. He stopped college when he was hired by the Orange, TX Rice Mill as a shipping clerk where he graded rice and shipped rice to all states and Puerto Rico. He returned to Lamar University after the Army, and graduated 3 years later while working full-time. He was hired by Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. (later AT&T) in Houston, TX. There he connected with his former college girlfriend, Janice Zahn and they married September 1961 in a family wedding at Houston Heights Baptist Church. Almost immediately he was transferred to Austin, TX. Later there were transfers to St. Louis and back to Houston and then Dallas for a total of 33 years of service with AT&T as a second level manager at retirement.

He promptly made a temporary move to Redding, CA to work for a company buying up several small telephone companies. His expertise was needed to convert them to the new Federal Accounting System. With a move back to Dallas, he retired from that company after 5 years.

Jimmie is survived by his wife Janice and 3 children who graduated from Lamar High School in Arlington, TX. (son) Ross L. Adams and wife Rebecca Hillman Adams; (daughter) Madilene Adams Loosier and husband Constable Shane Loosier; (son) Wyatt P. Adams and wife Angela Fuller Adams. Six grandchildren - Lucy Adams; Tommy Loosier, Brandon Loosier, Dillon Loosier;

twins Aiden Adams and Auren Adams. One great-grandchild Kya Loosier; two siblings and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Jimmie is preceded in death by his parents and sister Viola Jane Baldree.

Funeral will be held at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Huntsville on Monday September 2, 2024 at 11:00 AM with visitation at 10:00 AM. A graveside service with Military Honors will follow at the Mayes Addition of Oakwood Cemetery. Memorial condolences to the family may be made at www.shmfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Mayes Addition of Oakwood Cemetery

800 Martin Luther King BLVD
Huntsville, TX 77320

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 2. 10:00 AM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Huntsville
1700 Normal Park Dr.
Huntsville, TX 77340

Funeral Service

SEP 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Graveside Service

SEP 2. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

RB

“ To Wyatt and family, I have offered a Rosary for the family and for your dad. He is in a far better place now, and is looking down on each of you with a smile.

Ronnie Bement - September 05, 2024 at 11:07 AM

JL

“ Janice,

We knew Jimmie had been very ill and still were saddened to hear of his passing. Praying for your comfort at this time.

Charles and Jo Ann Lawson

Jo Ann Lawson - September 04, 2024 at 04:52 PM

GI

“ Wyatt, Pop was the epitome of what it means to be a Texan and American patriot. He was a cowboy at heart and an amazing husband and father. I feel privileged to have known him. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. I know he's looking down at us from heaven. Love y'all. George, Bren and the Dillon crew.

George T. Dillon III - August 31, 2024 at 07:37 PM

DF

“ Rest in peace jimmy



Dawn and Jeff Foote - August 31, 2024 at 07:31 PM

LF

“ Love George, Bren and the Dillon Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Jimmie Frank Adams.



Love George, Bren and the Dillon Family - August 31, 2024 at 07:30 PM

LF

“ Love George, Bren and the Dillon Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jimmie Frank Adams.

Love George, Bren and the Dillon Family - August 31, 2024 at 07:30 PM

MH

“ Marvin Hyvl lit a candle in memory of Jimmie Frank Adams



Marvin Hyvl - August 30, 2024 at 10:53 PM