



Jimmy Edward Hawkins

October 19, 1938 - July 27, 2020

Jimmy Edward Hawkins was born on October 19, 1938 in Camden, Texas to the late Ola and B.F. "Hawk" Hawkins. Shortly after attending Galena Park High School, he entered the Army and proudly served in the Korean War. After marrying Betty in 1960, he spent time working with non-destructive testing in the petroleum industry before owning his own parts store in Magnolia, Texas. While owning the parts store, he took a part time job with the constable's office. This introduction into law enforcement lead to Jimmy spending the next 25 years serving with the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department as patrol officer, patrol Sergeant, detective and in the warrants division. After serving in all these other areas, his most notable role for the county was the institution of the D.A.R.E. program into the counties public school system. It was here that he became known by many students and administrators as "Officer Hawkins" and he loved spending time visiting with each of them. He also served as the Chief of Police for the Coldspring Oakhurst Independent School District before retiring to spend time with his family. He enjoyed time singing with friends, cheering on his Fighting Texas Aggies at football games for the last 30 years, and spending time with his grandchildren. Jimmy had a fierce love for God, his beloved family, extended family, and many wonderful friends. He will be remembered as a larger than life character who loved to make people laugh and had the most generous heart. He passed through the gates of heaven on Monday, July 27, 2020. He will be a greatly missed husband, father, PawPaw, and friend to many.

Jimmy is preceded in death by his mom and dad, and is survived by his wife, Betty S. Hawkins; son, John E. Hawkins and wife, Kim; daughter, Susan Shely and husband Ryan; grandchildren, Taylor Hegemeyer, Brooklyn Shely, James Hawkins, Tyler Hawkins, and Aspyn Shely. A Celebration of Life will be held on Tuesday, August 4th at 11:00 AM at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home in Montgomery, Texas followed by burial at 1:30 PM at Brookside Memorial Park at 13747 Eastex Freeway, Houston, Texas 77039.

You may view the a live stream of the funeral service by visiting <https://client.tribucast.com/tcid/8833977>

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 3. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - Montgomery
10129 FM 1097 Rd W
Willis, TX 77318
(936) 890-0454
greg@shmfh.com
<https://www.shmfh.com>

Funeral Service

AUG 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Graveside Service

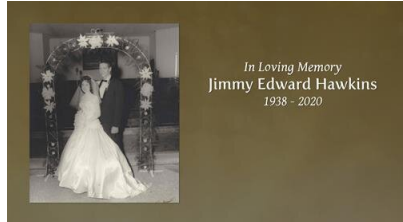
AUG 4. 1:30 PM (CT)

Brookside Memorial Park
Houston, TX

Tribute Wall



“ *Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jimmy Edward Hawkins*



Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home - August 03, 2020 at 12:59 PM



“ *Jimmy Edward Hawkins*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jimmy Edward Hawkins.*



August 03, 2020 at 10:05 PM



“ *Matt and Kelley Wyatt purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jimmy Edward Hawkins.*



Matt and Kelley Wyatt - August 03, 2020 at 03:10 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Jimmy Edward Hawkins.*



August 03, 2020 at 02:58 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jimmy Edward Hawkins.*



August 03, 2020 at 02:45 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Jimmy Edward Hawkins.*



August 03, 2020 at 02:20 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jimmy Edward Hawkins.*



August 03, 2020 at 11:06 AM

RS

“ I do remember in the early 1980's when we moved to Montgomery, Texas, I rented a large U-Haul truck and Jim Hawkins came to our house in Spring, Texas and helped me load all our furniture and stuff. He then drove that truck to Montgomery and helped me unload it all, and of course he wouldn't take a dime. We discovered that he had went to church with my aunt and uncle in Houston at the old Denver Harbour Assembly of God and also knew all my cousins. Several years back Jim joined the Good News Singers. Jim had a great bass voice and we had good times singing in various churches. We offer our hearts of compassion to Betty and the Family, so thankful for the fellowship with Jim and will continue it in Heaven.

Russell Skinner - August 02, 2020 at 08:14 PM



Thanks Russell & family!

John Hawkins - August 03, 2020 at 09:09 AM

GH

“ *Larger than Life is an Understatement! God broke the mold after he created Jimmy. We were all blessed to have known him, may he Rest In Peace at God's side.*

Ginger Hurley - July 31, 2020 at 07:15 PM

KH

Amen, we concur :-)

Kim Hawkins - August 01, 2020 at 07:03 PM

RE

“ Riviana Memphis and Ebrofrost purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jimmy Edward Hawkins.



Riviana Memphis and Ebrofrost - July 31, 2020 at 06:34 PM

JB

“ Sure will miss discussing Denver harbor memories with Jim as his details of people, places and events that occurred during childhood was phenomenal
It was so much fun and laughter to hear the stories that we shared
Sure will miss reminiscing with Jim

jerry burleson - July 31, 2020 at 04:36 PM

JB

“ We never dreamed our last trip with Jim & Betty in February would be the last time spent with Jim on this earth. He told Jerry Burleson that he wanted to go to Camden, TX where he was born and had not been in 20 years! We said let's go and eat at the Pickett House family style dining (yum! Jim sure ate his share 😊) located in Woodville. We toured the Heritage Village next door replicating the 1800 era. Jim also spent time as young child with his grandparents in Camden and we could tell those were special memories for him. Pat Neel went with us and Jim being Bob Neel's best friend, Pat was comforted by Jim's company that day. Bob had entered Heaven just a few months before. We had such a great time together that day and glad God inspired us to make that trip a priority.

Take time to spend with people you care about and make sweet memories while there is still time.

Jerry & Melinda Burleson

Love you Betty and family. Our prayers will cover you in the days ahead.

Jerry & Melinda Burleson - July 31, 2020 at 03:43 PM

KB

“ Keith A Baker lit a candle in memory of Jimmy Edward Hawkins



Keith A Baker - July 31, 2020 at 01:21 PM

KB

A gentleman that was always a class act. He was greatly respected and will be missed enormously. Rest in Peace my friend!

Keith A Baker - July 31, 2020 at 01:26 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jimmy Edward Hawkins.*



July 30, 2020 at 05:53 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jimmy Edward Hawkins.*



July 30, 2020 at 05:26 PM