



Jim McKinney

November 5, 1940 - July 15, 2014

Mr. James Horace "Jim" McKinney, age 73 of Gordonsville , TN passed away Tuesday, July 15, 2014 at The Pavilion in Lebanon, TN. Mr. McKinney was born November 5, 1940 in Smith County, TN, the son of the late Tom and Ona Hunt McKinney. He was also preceded in death by Four Brothers; Alvin, Clyde, Dan, and Millard McKinney. Jim, as he was known by everyone, was a 1958 graduate of Gordonsville High School. He attended Cumberland College and Tennessee Tech. He worked on the team that built Cordell Hull Dam before going to work at William L. Bonnell Aluminum, from which he retired. He was a member of the Grant Missionary Baptist Church. He was an avid fisherman and sports fan. He kept notebooks full of stats for his favorite sports teams and could tell you the water temperature and level of all the lakes and rivers around. He loved spending time on his houseboat with his friends at Hidden Harbor Marina. Mr. McKinney is survived by his Four Sisters; Frances Ballinger of Carthage, TN, Evelyn Heitt of Carthage, TN, Lily (Bobby) Brooks of Carmel, IN, and Mary Crowe of Largo, FL. Sister in Law; Nell McKinney of Watertown, TN. Several Nieces and Nephews also survive. Graveside Services for Mr. McKinney are scheduled to be conducted 11AM Saturday, July 19, 2014 at Ridgewood Cemetery in Carthage, TN with Johnny McKinney officiating. Visitation with the McKinney Family will be held at the Gordonsville Chapel of Bass Funeral Homes on Friday from 2PM to 8PM. Family and Friends will gather at the Cemetery on Saturday just prior to the Graveside Service. The McKinney Family request that donations be made to the Hidden

Harbor Marina Jolly Angel Fund, 2685 Casey Cove Rd, Smithville, TN 37166.
The family wants to extend a special thanks to his loving caregivers: Sister in
Law; Nell McKinney, Niece and Nephew; Patsy and Noel Ortiz & Johnny
McKinney. BASS FUNERAL HOME, GORDONSVILLE CHAPEL,
DIRECTORS.

Tribute Wall

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“ We were so blessed to know Jim. We will have many memories of him on his houseboat next to ours. He always had a smile and a kind word for everyone. We visited him at his home recently and talked for a while...only to learn he and Darrell were actually cousins. Jim was loved by all and we will miss him, but heaven's light will shine a bit brighter now.

Darrell and Debbie Baker of Watertown TN - July 18, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Jim McKinney

Bud West - July 17, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sure fitting that the name of the funeral home is "Bass". We will miss Mr. Jim more than he will ever know. When you take a friendship of 18 years, it turns into more of a family relationship. He was a staple of the dock, didn't seem right to walk to our boat and he wasn't sitting there to great us for the weekend. He watched my girls grow up and supported them through any major milestone. I enjoyed Sunday mornings while he read the baseball or sporting stats, I read the comics. And anytime we had a dock dinner, he knew I would make sure he got a plate. Even if he argued that he had a block of cheese and bologna! Not gonna be the same at the lake, he will be dearly missed. And I know I will find it difficult to remove his name from my Christmas card list. Love and miss you Mr. Jim.

Layhew Family of MurfreesboroTN - July 16, 2014 at 12:00 AM