



James Murphy

May 16, 1950 - October 28, 2024

Funeral services for James Murphy, 74, of Gilmer, Texas will be held at 10:00 am, Saturday, November 2, 2024, at McWhorter Funeral Home with Brother Charles Johnson officiating. Interment to follow at Enon Cemetery. The family will receive friends at 9:00 am, prior to the service.

James was born on May 16, 1950, in Winnsboro, Texas to Odis Franklin Murphy and Archie Alline Caldwell Murphy and passed from this life on October 28, 2024, in Gilmer, Texas.

James worked for 33 years as a maintenance mechanic for TU Electric at the Monticello Power Plant. He was a member of Rosewood Baptist Church. Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Debbie Murphy; sons, Chad Franklin Murphy (Bonnie) and Danny Ray Murphy (Heidi); sister, Patricia Ferguson; brother, Grayline Murphy (Rosa); brother-in-law, Scott Ray; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Odis and Alline Murphy.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to Tunnels to Towers Foundation, dogood.t2t.org; Texas Baptist Children's Home, tbch.org; or Children's Hospital-Dallas, donate.childrens.com

Please visit James's online registration book at www.mcwhorterfh.com to leave a memory for the family.

Cemetery Details

Enon Cemetery

3074 FM 556
Gilmer, TX 75644

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 2. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

DH

“ I am truly sorry for the families loss. I feel fortunate to have known James. I worked at Monticello for 2 years or so on shift with James. He had the kindest deminer. I'm sure he had his moments but we all do. I'll never forget the day he was retiring. He took his old steel toed boots and put them in the trash on the way out the door... He said... I'm done. He also told me about the GREAT time he had with his wife riding trails on their 4 wheelers in Colorado. He will be truly missed but I am sure his offspring has some of his excellent qualities. I will never take for granted meeting someone like James again. I think i will see him again though and get to enjoy that contagious smile once again.

David Humphries - April 24, 2025 at 10:28 AM



“ 1 file added to the album James Murphy Funeral Service



McWhorter Funeral Home - November 02, 2024 at 04:06 PM

SF

“ Scott Ray & Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of James Murphy.



Scott Ray & Family - November 01, 2024 at 01:25 PM



“ 131 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



McWhorter Funeral Home - November 01, 2024 at 12:00 PM

CA

“ *I had the honor of being a bridesmaid at James and Debbie’s wedding back in 1970. James was always kind of quiet and a man of few words but I have always remembered that huge smile on his face as Debbie walked down that aisle on their wedding day. There was pure joy in that moment. James was always patient and kind when we had “hen parties” at their house in later years and I always admired how good he was to Debbie’s parents. James was a hard worker and good provider. But I loved him most because he treated my friend, Debbie, with such adoration and respect for all these many years. I know he will be missed by his family, friends, and loved ones.*

Carolyn Bailey Adams - November 01, 2024 at 10:52 AM

EL

“ *Estelene, Paul & Susan, Joe and Lesa purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James Murphy.*



Estelene, Paul & Susan, Joe and Lesa - October 31, 2024 at 01:23 PM

CM

“ *Praying for Debbie and all the family during this devastating time. ... so sorry for your loss,
Gary and Cheryl Mahoney*

Cheryl Mahoney - October 30, 2024 at 08:30 PM

BW

*Where to start about the wonderful friend my wife and I had in James. The camping trips made with him and Debbie and his helping hands always were offered and the dinners sharing things about old friends and things going on with other friends. We will sorely miss him and his friendship. Debbie I know you will miss the love and devotion James had for you. Someone you could count on and depend on. You were blessed to have such a good man by your side. Our hearts go out to you and your family. We love you and glad to help anyway we can.
Bobby and Cynthia Walker*

Bobby and Cynthia Walker - November 01, 2024 at 11:19 AM

CU

“ *So very sorry for your loss .. prayers for God's comfort and peace as only He can provide. Lifting each one up in prayers .
Cheryl Underwood (Jerry's wife)*

Cheryl Underwood - October 30, 2024 at 07:03 PM

JS

“ Joe and Shirley Smith planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Murphy.

Joe and Shirley Smith - October 30, 2024 at 01:16 PM

JS

“ Joe and Shirley Smith purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of James Murphy.



Joe and Shirley Smith - October 30, 2024 at 01:16 PM

LF

“ Love you,your Kilgore and NP Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Murphy.

Love you,your Kilgore and NP Family - October 30, 2024 at 12:29 PM

LF

“ Love you,your Kilgore and NP Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of James Murphy.



Love you,your Kilgore and NP Family - October 30, 2024 at 12:29 PM

DB

“ *Heartfelt prayers for the family. So sorry for your loss.* ”



Darlene Hunter Brber - October 30, 2024 at 09:55 AM