



James R. Cooley

May 3, 1933 - July 29, 2016

James R. Cooley, 83, of Midtown, TN. passed away Friday, July 29, 2016 at his home surrounded by family. James was a member of Piney Grove Baptist Church in Midtown for 71 years. He enjoyed singing in the choir. James was employed at Rockwood Coca Cola Bottling Works for 20 years, Rust Engineering in Oak Ridge for 22 years. He Owned and Operated Cooley Sign Co. in Midtown 60 years. James is a 38 years member of Walden Ridge Antique Car Club, a 55 year member of Union Lodge #38 F & AM, Kerbela Shrine Temple, Knoxville for 53 years, and 50 year member of the Scottish Rite. Preceded in death by his parents Rev. Walter and Pansy Cooley; brother Hughie Cooley; father and mother in law Carl and Magdalene Jenkins.

He is survived by his wife of 61 years and 7months Georgia Jenkins Cooley of Midtown;

Brother W.C. Cooley of LaPorte, IN;

Sisters Sue Ball of Athens, TN;

Jessie Jones (Gene) of Midtown;

Nephew Bill Long (Tammie) of Harriman;

Nieces Carla Gamble of Alabama;

Gena Greene (Doug) of Decatur;

Sister in law Helen Cooley of Oliver Springs.

The family will receive friends from 2 until 4pm Sunday July 31, 2016 at the

Piney Grove Baptist Church. Funeral 4pm Sunday with Rev. Gary Lynn and Rev. Thomas Baines officiating. Followed by a Masonic Memorial Service. In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorial donations be made to the Shriners Hospitals care of Kerbela Roane Shrine Club P.O. Box 1736 Harriman, TN 37748. Burial 12 Noon Monday at the Roane Memorial Gardens.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 31. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Piney Grove Baptist Church
2325 Ruritan Road
Harriman, TN 37748

Funeral Service

JUL 31. 4:00 PM (ET)

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Masonic Memorial Service

JUL 31. 4:30 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

RL

“ James was a true gentleman and a fine Christian man who loved his Lord, his family, and his church. He truly walked the talk and was a fine example to all those around him. Our loss is heaven's gain. It was an honor to be his pastor for more than a decade and to enjoy his friendship and his wonderful smile and personality. May God bless his wife and his family in this most difficult time and may God continue to lead and guide them in the days, weeks, and months ahead.

Rev. Gary E. and Cynthia K. Lynn

Rev. Gary E. Lynn - July 30, 2016 at 08:28 PM

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Ed Barrett - July 30, 2016 at 04:15 PM

EB

Sincere condolences to Mrs. Cooley and the entire family. A fine gentleman who I met through our mutual interest in antique automobiles. He will be missed.

Ed Barrett - July 30, 2016 at 04:17 PM



James was a fine man. I met him through his mother Pansy. I know He will be missed. My Prayers go to Georgia and Family.

Sandy Thacker - July 31, 2016 at 12:17 PM

KB

James was such a kind, caring man. The world would be a wonderful place with people just like him.

Kathy Boring - August 04, 2016 at 03:25 PM

BA

I didn't know Mr. Cooley had passed. He was such a good man. Our condolences to Mrs. Cooley and family.

Bob Alford - October 30, 2022 at 06:19 PM

CF

“*James Cooley will be missed he was a good Christian and loved by family. Friends and his church family.*”

Charles Grace Fergguson - July 30, 2016 at 03:07 PM