



## James Barrett

September 13, 1918 - August 30, 2014

James Barrett, 95, of Gravette, Arkansas, left this Earth on August 30th, 2014, at the home of his daughter, surrounded by his daughters. He was born September 13, 1918 in Kansas, to Walter Harding and Catherine Flossie (Crabtree) Barrett. James served in the Army during World War II. He was stationed in Italy where he was combat wounded. James received the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star. He was a farmer and retired from the Gravette Shelling Plant.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Margaret "Destia" in 1988; his daughter, Dorthy Hudson; his son, Charles Leroy; daughter-in-law, Connie; son-in-law, Edmundo; and friend and encourager, J.W. Ramsey. James was also preceded in death by his brother, John; and sister, Lena.

He is survived by his children: Clyde Barrett and wife Frances of Pryor, Oklahoma, Bill Barrett and wife Peggy, Loyd Barrett, Kathryn Ramirez, Donna Anderson and husband Donnie, all of Gravette, and Susie Andrews of Elmendorff, Texas; daughter-in-law, Kathy Barrett of Gravette; son-in-law, Jim Hudson of Maysville, Arkansas; brother, Harley Barrett and wife Doris of Alexandria, Louisiana; sisters, Rosella Cummings of Topeka, Kansas, Kathy Gigeous of Berryton, Kansas and Nancy McKenzie and husband Vernon of Emporia, Kansas; sister-in-laws, Mary L. Humphreys and Ellen Price of Gravette, and Calleen McCammon of Amoret, Missouri; numerous

grandchildren, great grandchildren, great great grandchildren, and nieces and nephews.

The family wants to give a special thanks to Dr. Tucker, Jamie, Betty, Chris, and Jeannie for their care and respect for Dad and to Susie Andrews for her love, care and dedication to “Mr. Barrett”.

Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at First Christian Church, Gravette, Arkansas with Pastor Terry Longan officiating. Burial will follow at Hillcrest Cemetery, Gravette. Visitation will be 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, September 2, 2014 at First Christian Church, Gravette. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Building Fund at First Christian Church, P.O. Box 127, Gravette, AR 72736.

# Cemetery Details

## Hillcrest Cemetery

Hillcrest Cemetery  
Gravette, AR

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 2. 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

First Christian Church - Gravette  
301 1st Ave SW  
Gravette, AR 72736

## Service

SEP 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Christian Church - Gravette  
301 1st Ave SW  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James Barrett.* ”



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September 02, 2014 at 10:48 AM



“ *Bountiful Rose Basket was purchased for the family of James Barrett.* ”



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September 02, 2014 at 09:31 AM



“ I hope you all find comfort in knowing that your parents were were special. They both loved their children and instilled in them the values that would help them make it in life.

*Destia, was kind, loving and giving. I have heard many speak of what a wonderful friend she was. She loved her husband, her family, and her church. She was a doer and not idle. She has passed these same attributes to her daughters.*

*Jim worked hard to support and care for his family. Jim and Destia, both put their family first. Kathryn tells a story about money being tight and Jim gave up his tobacco. I think it took only a week before Destia told Jim to please buy some tobacco, they would find another way to save money. They worked it out together, a team, through thick and thin.*

*When I remember Mr. Barrett, I see a twinkle in his eye and a smile on his face--an even a little mischief. He passed that twinkle, smile and humor to his boys. I also remember his love for: reading western; and eating turnips, beats, boiled neck bones, and fried fish. He loved his overalls, red hankie and WWII cap.*

*How do I know he loved his family? By the way they took care of him when he could no longer do for himself. They were kind, loving and patient with him. We can only hope and pray our children are as attentive and loving.*

*What a father. What a mother. What a family. Jim and Destia's children, may you all find comfort in knowing how special you are to us and how much we need you and care about you. Please keep passing on you parents love.*

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**Karen Fuqua** - September 01, 2014 at 08:47 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James Barrett.* ”



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September 01, 2014 at 08:46 PM



“ *Karen Fuqua lit a candle in memory of James Barrett* ”



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**Karen Fuqua** - September 01, 2014 at 07:48 PM