



Jimmy Ray Craft

October 18, 1938 - December 19, 2015

On December 19, 2015, God called Jimmy Ray Craft's number, it was time to go home to Jesus, no more pain, he's surely singing in the angel's choir, at peace waiting for us. Jimmy Ray Craft was born October 18, 1938 in Dwale, Kentucky to Ed and Rhoda Craft. He served in the USMC from 1955 to 1961 as an ammunition technician. Jimmy worked for the USDA for 25 years, did contract work for the US Army Corps of Engineers for 3 years, and worked for the Gentry Schools for 5 years. He married Bonita Olson Nunn "Bonnie" on April 15, 1989 in Gentry, Arkansas.

As a young man in USMC, surgery took away his singing voice. As he approached middle age, God restored his singing voice and Jimmy vowed to sing for the Glory of God. He sang at many area churches, blessing many people. He also assisted several times in promoting gospel concerts. In recent years, he attended First Assembly of God in Siloam Springs. He loved the land he lived on for 45 years, many years working his cattle and in later years, his gardens.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ed and Rhoda Craft; and two sisters, Olga and Margaret.

He is survived by his wife, Bonnie Craft; two brothers, John Craft of California, and Eddie Craft and wife Avis of Laddonia, Missouri; two sons, Zachary Craft

and Spencer Craft of Fayetteville, Arkansas; stepson, Doug Reeve of Siloam Springs, Arkansas; one daughter, Sabrina Craft; one granddaughter, Meri; great grandsons, Travis and Braydin of Siloam Springs; one grandson, Richard Millé and wife Nicole; great granddaughters, Destiny, Melissa, and Dot of Klamath Falls, Oregon; stepchildren, Mark Nunn of Montana, Lisa Nunn of Minnesota, and Cassandra Nunn of North Dakota; mother-in-love, Rose Olson of Fargo, North Dakota and widespread Olson clan; and Olga's daughters, Starre, Edie and Franka of Montana.

Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 22, 2015 at Wasson Funeral Home, Siloam Springs, Arkansas with Pastor Gary Wheat officiating. Burial will follow at Gentry Cemetery, Gentry, Arkansas. Visitation will be 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 22, 2015 at Wasson Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Assembly of God Jacob's Hope, 927 S. Oak Hill, Siloam Springs, AR 72761 or Circle of Life Hospice, 901 Jones Road, Springdale, AR 72762.

Cemetery Details

Gentry Cemetery

Gentry Cemetery
Gentry, AR 72734

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **22**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ I'm very sorry to hear of the passing of Jimmy. You both were always very kind whenever we saw each other. I will be praying for you and your family.

Melissa Wilson - December 23, 2015 at 06:29 PM

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“ Bonnie, we are so sorry to read of Jimmy in this mornings paper. We would be at services if possible but Luther goes into Hospital today at eleven and has heart surgery at one. You are in our prayers and precious memories of the many times we have had with you guys. Let us know if we can help you in any way. Please keep in touch. Love, Luther Scranton, Patsy & Carl Rakes.

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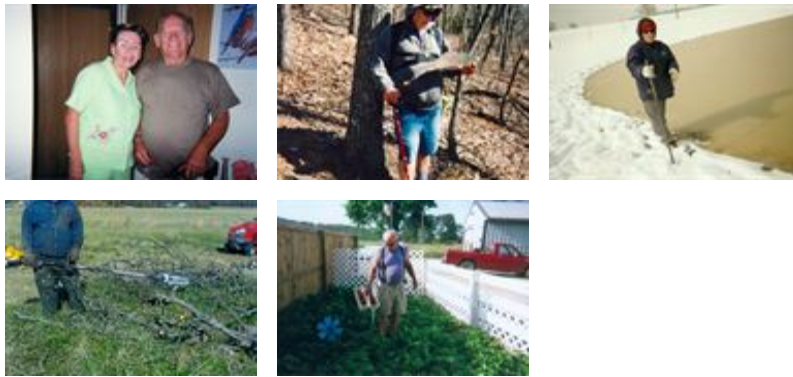
“ I have known Jimmy for many years and worked with Him. I would like to extend my sympathy to the Family and let you all know that my thoughts and prayers are with you all. It is so very hard to lose those we Love, but the Dear Lord will help us through it. Jimmy was a good man! Hold tight to your dear memories. It helps. God Bless you all! Patty Boyle



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