



Bro. Jimmy Lemont Wilbanks

March 17, 1940 - March 29, 2025

Bro. Jimmy Lemont Wilbanks passed away at North MS Medical Center in Tupelo, MS at the age of 85 on March 29, 2025. He was born March 17, 1940 to the late Elmore Wilbanks and Inez Flake Wilbanks in Tippah Co., Ms.

Bro. Wilbanks was man of God that devoted his life to preaching the gospel at a young age. He pastored Cornerstone Baptist Church for twenty-four years; retiring in 2018. He loved gospel bluegrass music and sang along with every song. He was a wonderful husband of thirty-one years to Doris until she was tragically taken in a car accident. After which, he was blessed to find another great love, Laura. He spent thirty-one years loving and taking care of her until her passing in 2022. Bro. Jimmy was always a friend and pillar of strength for anyone that needed him.

Left to cherish his memory is one sister: Brenda Gray (Hugh) of Southaven, MS; two sons: Jerry Mansell of Saltillo, MS, Rodney Mansell of Ripley, MS; two daughters: Tammy Wilbanks, Susan Wood of Ripley, MS; ten grandchildren: Kim Raines (Scottie) of Saltillo, MS, Justin Mansell (Jessica) of Ripley, MS, Jessica Hellums (Ben) of Ripley, MS, Laura Beth Mansell of Ripley, MS, Nathan Mansell (Kaitlin) of Ripley, MS, Zach Wood (Chelsea) of Ripley, MS, Abby Morton (Braden) of Ripley, MS, Austin Cole (Kim) of Middleton, TN, Kori Vickers (Justin) of Middleton, MS, Amberly Hopkins (Blake) of Ripley, MS; Twenty-two great-grandchildren; five great-great-

grandchildren; one special friend: Betty Herron.

He was preceded in death by both parents; two wives: Doris Wilbanks, Laura Wilbanks; one sister: Lilly Huff; one daughter: Nancy Cole, one grandson: Matthew Mansell; one daughter-in-law: Billie Marie Mansell; one grandson-in-Law: Kyle Jordan.

Officiating will be Bro. Faron Ash with special words from grandson, Zach Wood.

Pallbearers & Honorary Pallbearers will be: Grandsons & Great Grandsons.

Cemetery Details

Falkner Cemetery

CR 301
Falkner, MS 38629

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 31. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

McBride Funeral Home, Inc.
206 N. Commerce St
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Service

APR 1. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ I have many fond childhood memories with uncle Jimmy & Aunt Doris (my mom’s sister)! Mike and I were on a cruise at the time of his passing or we would’ve been there to celebrate his going home! We love you & you will be missed! We will say, see you later & not a final goodbye!

Mike Sanderson - April 06, 2025 at 01:31 PM



“ My heart goes out to his family. Jimmy was a great guy. He was always happy.
He loved JESUS CHRIST. I will miss him.

Nathan Allen Hester - March 31, 2025 at 09:59 AM



“ Jimmy was a dear man. A cousin to me.
Always had a big smile and knew he love us.
You’ll be missed but kept in our hearts.



Dana Flake Doyle - March 30, 2025 at 07:39 PM