



James Pugh

October 5, 1944 - November 20, 2017

James Rives Pugh, 73, passed away surrounded by his loving family at Winston Medical Center on Monday, November 20, 2017. Visitation will be Friday, November 24, 2017 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with Celebration of Life Services at 2:00 p.m. all at Nowell Massey Funeral Home in Louisville, MS. Interment will be at Crystal Ridge Baptist Church Cemetery in Louisville, MS immediately follow the services.

James was born on October 5, 1944 to Jolly and Estelle Rives Pugh. He was the youngest of seven children. He was a member of Crystal Ridge Baptist Church. James had several jobs during his life. He was a certified welder, certified electrician, a drummer of his own band The Crystal Blues and the owner of James Pugh Trucking. His favorite job was being and owner / operator of his own business. He retired in 2007 after being a trucker for over 30 years. He loved being on the open road and doing something different each day. But he loved being home with family more than anything.

James loved his family more than anything on this earth. He and his wife Carol Dickerson Pugh married on May 29, 1965 and have been married over 52 1/2 years. James and Carol have one daughter, Dawn Pugh Steed. He loved his wife and daughter with all his heart but his greatest gift and blessing was his two grandchildren, Sadie and Dalton Steed. Family meant everything to James from his wife and daughter, his grandchildren, his nieces and

nephews and his friends that became family. He was a rock to all of them. He was always putting others first because he loved them so much. James knew a lot of people and had some very special friends and a wonderful family during his life. He will be greatly missed by all.

James is preceded in death by his parents Jolly and Estelle Rives Pugh, his brothers, Howard Pugh, Gerald Pugh, and John Thomas Pugh, and his sister Mable Pugh Barron.

James is survived by his wife, Carol Dickerson Pugh, of Louisville. His daughter, Dawn Pugh Steed and her husband Toby, and his grandchildren Sadie and Dalton, of Starkville. He is also survived by his brothers Walter Ed Pugh and W. O. "Bully" Pugh both of Louisville. And a host of nieces and nephews that loved him like a daddy and dear friends.

Serving as pallbearers are Corey Vernon, Nicholas Vernon, Patrick Miller, Brian Stevenson, David Poppell, Paul Pugh and Jimmy Jackson. Honorary Pallbearers are Berlin Roberson, Terry Vernon, Willie Earl Stevenson, Johnny Mac Ivy, Larry Joe Hemphill, Marvin Hemphill, Bill Stewart, Steve Coleman, Charles Williamson, Dale Mills, Bur Warner, Steve Davis, and the men of Crystal Ridge Baptist Church - Donnie Joe Hisaw, Bobby Fleming, Mike Robertson, Perry Hemphill, Kenny McCulloch, Wayne Clark, Lenard Hunt, and Tommy Sloan.

In lieu of flowers the family request donations be made to Nowell Massey Funeral Home to help defray the funeral expenses.

Services are under the direction of Nowell-Massey Funeral Home, 724 North Columbus Avenue, Louisville, MS. Memories and condolences may be shared with the family by signing the guest register at www.nowellmasseyfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Crystal Ridge Baptist Church Cemetery

Crystal Ridge Road
Louisville, MS

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **24**. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Massey Funeral Home
724 N. Columbus Avenue
Louisville, MS 39339
(662) 773-3501
nowellfuneral@bellsouth.net
<https://www.masseyfuneralhome.net/>

Service

NOV **24**. 2:00 PM (CT)

Nowell-Massey Funeral Home Chapel
724 N Columbus Ave
Louisville, MS 39339
nowellfuneral@bellsouth.net
<http://www.nowellmasseyfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall



“ *James Pugh*

January 29, 2023 at 06:32 AM



“ *Sincere sympathy, Mozell Hull*

Mozell Hull - November 24, 2017 at 08:11 PM



“ *My heart is breaking for you tonight, Carol, as I send prayers and my condolences to you and all the family. James was quite a guy.*
From Allen Butters

alloen butters - November 23, 2017 at 07:21 PM



“ *Multicolor Bright Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of James Pugh.*



November 22, 2017 at 04:15 PM



“ *Carol, Franklin and I are so sorry to hear about James' passing. You and your family will be in our thoughts and prayers during the coming days.*

Frances and Franklin Woodruff

Frances Woodruff - November 22, 2017 at 07:38 AM

BS

“ We are praying for you, Carol, Dawn, Toby, Sadie and Dalton. We wish we could be there with you for James's service, but it is not possible. I know this is a difficult time for all of you to lose a husband, daddy, father-in-law, and grandfather whom you loved so much. We pray that God will wrap His loving arms around you and draw you up close to Himself as you face this sad time in your life. Just remember all the sweet memories you have and cherish them each day. We love you all!

Bro.Wayne and Jo Sanders - November 21, 2017 at 04:24 PM

ZW

Susie and me were so sad to hear that James has left us. I know how well he was loved and I know he also knew. Truly, you will miss him. He fought a brave fight. I wish he could have been with you longer but these things are not to be understood. We can only accept. I will call Jim Williams to tell him as he always asks about James. If he were able he would come. Accept our heartfelt condolences. Zee and Susie

zee williams - November 22, 2017 at 09:08 AM

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“ The Davis' & The Prince's purchased the Sympathy Arrangement In Basket (Large) - Multicolor Pastel Mixed Flowers for the family of James Pugh.



The Davis' & The Prince's - November 21, 2017 at 02:35 PM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray was purchased for the family of James Pugh.*



November 21, 2017 at 10:46 AM