



JAMES "JIM" FINLEY McCLELLAND

December 7, 1950 - October 20, 2021

James "Jim" Finley McClelland, 70, of McCalla, formerly of Fairfield, went home to be with his Lord on October 20, 2021. Jim was born on December 7, 1950, at St. Vincent Hospital, in Birmingham, Alabama. He was a deacon and a member of the Spiritual Life team of Shepherd of the Valley Presbyterian Church, formerly First Presbyterian Church Bessemer. Jim was forever an Eagle Scout, a patriotic Veteran, a well-versed Historian, a light-hearted Jokester, and a man with a caring heart.

Jim was preceded in death by his beloved parents Robert Bruce, Sr. and Margaret McClelland. He is survived by his brother Bruce McClelland, Jr. (Suzanne Beaudry); sister Janette Wilder (Johnny); niece Megan Wilder; great nephews Kaiden and Aiden Wilder; his Church family; and numerous friends.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 AM, Saturday, November 6, 2021, at Shepherd of the Valley Presbyterian Church, 5081 Eastern Valley Road, McCalla, AL 35111. An informal visitation will follow.

In lieu of the of flowers the family suggests the donations be made to Shepherd of the Valley Presbyterian Church, or your favorite charity.

Tribute Wall

JW

“ Jim was always kidding around with me and my sister Sharon. We both loved history and we discussed the church, travel and history at each gathering. A very intelligent , funny guy. He loved my parents and was very encouraging at their passing. He always thought f others first. Rest in peace Jim
Juanita Williams

juanita Williams - November 06, 2021 at 11:17 AM

SB

“ In the short period of time that I have known Jim, I have learned to respect him. I have enjoyed listening to his experiences in life. He and I shared our love for travel and knowledge of the world. He had some interesting life stories to share. Most of all, we reminisced about the past of Bessemer and Fairfield.

We will miss you, Jim,

Sarah Beasley

Donation made to Shepherd of the Valley Presbyterian Church in memory of Jim.

Sarah Beasley - November 06, 2021 at 11:17 AM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of JAMES "JIM" FINLEY McCLELLAND.



November 04, 2021 at 05:38 PM

DW

“ Jim was so kind to me and always interesting to talk to. We shared a common love for scouting, our church history and our love for first pres. and its families.

He was a blessing to me and once told me he looked up to me ?

I was speechless, he saw things in me I didn't see in myself, what an encouragement and a blessing Jim was.

He was Very Smart, I always felt like he would be a great contestant on jeopardy ?

Rest in his presence our friend.

Danny Williams - November 04, 2021 at 11:52 AM

BB

“ I remember him with his sense of humor and joy for life! He'll make the angels laugh.know he'll be missed by many,

Becky Bates - November 02, 2021 at 11:33 AM

FB

“ From Gerald and Angela Blackwell purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of JAMES "JIM" FINLEY McCLELLAND.



From Gerald and Angela Blackwell - November 01, 2021 at 07:41 PM

JR

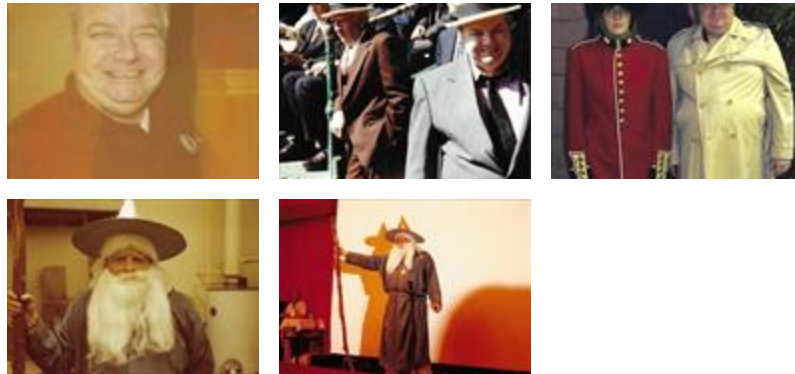
“ 2 files added to the album *Jim's Family*



Jerry Rambin - October 27, 2021 at 04:31 PM

JR

“ 8 files added to the album *James McClelland*



Jerry Rambin - October 27, 2021 at 04:28 PM

BL

Jim will certainly be missed. He was a warm, welcoming soul.

Bonnie Lipscomb - November 02, 2021 at 09:17 AM

JR

“ 13 files added to the album *Young James*



Jerry Rambin - October 27, 2021 at 04:28 PM

JE

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



Jerry - October 24, 2021 at 10:48 AM

KO

“ *James was a client and a friend. I loved hearing his stories of all the coms he had been. Very sweet and great personality. I will miss seeing him.*

Kathy Odom - October 23, 2021 at 03:49 PM

CW

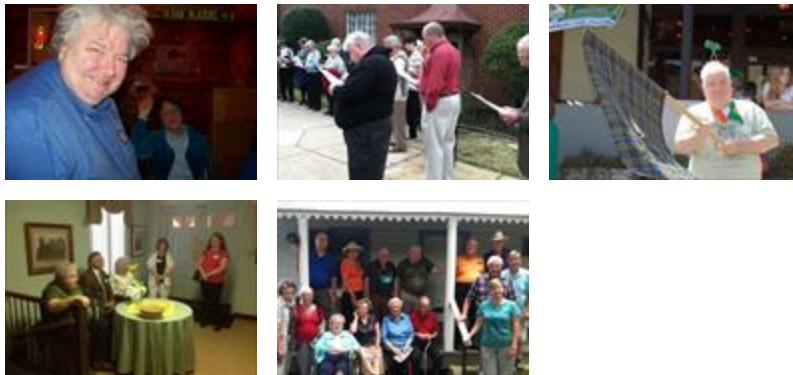
“ James was a true friend, "German" to all his friends, he was a great supporter of our costuming group and loved life and the people around him. He will truly be missed by all, he was a bright shining light to everyone with a giant smile on his face. You will always be in our hearts my friend. Rest In Peace.



Christopher Walker - October 23, 2021 at 02:04 PM

JR

“ 52 files added to the album James McClelland



Jerry Rambin - October 22, 2021 at 10:56 AM