



## **DR. JERRY B. CHAMPION**

August 1, 2018

Dr. Jerry B. Champion, 74, of McCalla, passed away August 1, 2018. Dr. Champion graduated from McAdory High School. He attended the University of Montevallo, and graduated from Auburn University, School of Veterinary Medicine. He practiced veterinary medicine at Hueytown Veterinary Clinic for 48 years. Dr. Champion was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Hueytown. He was president of the National Open Shooting Dog Championship for over 30 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents Mildred and J.B. Champion; and his sister Linda Stephens. He is survived by his wife of 55 years Becky Champion; sons Blake Champion (Crystal) and Sam Champion (Andrea); grandchildren Ben, Jesi, Miller, John Mills, and Alec; brother Donnie Champion (Alecia, and their daughter Hollie); and numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

The visitation will be from 12:00 PM until 2:00 PM, Friday, August 3, 2018, at First United Methodist Church, Hueytown. The funeral service will be at 2:00 PM at the Church, with Rev. John Simmons and Rev. John Virciglio officiating. Burial will follow at Pleasant Hill United Methodist Cemetery, McCalla.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to the First United Methodist Church, Hueytown Parlor Patio Fund.



# Tribute Wall

MR

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



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**Mike Robinson** - August 13, 2018 at 02:09 PM

MR

“ *I was deeply saddened to hear of Jerry's passing. Houston Yessick introduced me to Jerry back in the late 1970s, a few years after I married his wife Lynn's little sister Carla. We came to Alabama from Pittsburgh a couple times every year for quite a while until our kids got older. I always looked forward to visiting Jerry and shared many adventures with him and Houston and a bunch of bird dogs. When I first met Jerry it was if we had been friends for years. He was a pleasure to be around and you couldn't help but have fun in his company. When my daughter showed an interest in animals, Jerry invited her to visit the clinic when we were in town. She is now a practicing DVM in the Pittsburgh area. Jerry was a kind, generous, and caring man and such a lovable character! My life is richer for having known him. I'm sure all his family and friends feel the same way! - Mike Robinson*

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**Mike Robinson** - August 13, 2018 at 11:16 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of DR. JERRY B. CHAMPION.*



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August 03, 2018 at 12:36 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of DR. JERRY B. CHAMPION.*



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August 02, 2018 at 06:23 PM



“ *Sure hate to see this, so sorry Blake for you and family, Y ou all took care of all my pups until we moved away from Hueytown. Rest in Peace, Jerry.....*

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**Lana Hester** - August 02, 2018 at 12:48 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Dr. Champion kept my sweet Smokey from being taken by the dog catcher. You will be missed*

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**Iris Knight** - August 02, 2018 at 10:48 AM

TP

“ I’m so sorry to hear of your dad passing Blake. He was a great man and has been my Vet for close to 30 years. You and your family and staff are in our prayers. Theresa and Rusty Pierson.



theresa pierson - August 02, 2018 at 10:30 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of DR. JERRY B. CHAMPION.



August 02, 2018 at 10:12 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of DR. JERRY B. CHAMPION.



August 02, 2018 at 08:22 AM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of DR. JERRY B. CHAMPION.



August 01, 2018 at 10:15 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of DR. JERRY B. CHAMPION.*



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August 01, 2018 at 09:35 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Jerry was a great guy and always had a smile. Praying for you all.*

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**Lynn Pappas** - August 01, 2018 at 09:13 PM



“ *I first met Jerry in 1969 due to our shared love of bird dogs. We became fast friends and hunting buddies. Jerry's open acceptance for all people and his absolute honesty were some of the things that made our friendship so special. We had many exceptional trips and experiences during our years of friendship. Can't imagine my world without you. Good Bye to my Best Friend.*

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**Houston Yessick** - August 01, 2018 at 08:49 PM



“ *So sorry for your families loss. Dr. Jerry will be missed by Hueytown community and all his clients/patients. He was always personable and caring each time with my furry friends.  
Thank you for your families contribution to our community.  
Respectfully, Geneva Murray*

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**Geneva** - August 01, 2018 at 07:34 PM

BM

“ *Dr. Champion was a friend to my entire family. The family did business with mine and we frequently interacted in fun ways. He took care of all our pets and showed his love and concern. I will miss him. I pray for his entire family. Please keep your Faith. He is smiling down on you. Brenda McLeod.*

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**Brenda McLeod** - August 01, 2018 at 06:40 PM

BS

“ *Becky, Suzanne, Blake & Jeremy My heartfelt condolences. Blake & Jeremy carry on his legacy of love and compassion for animals. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Beth Sewell*

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**Beth Sewell** - August 01, 2018 at 05:46 PM

LR

“ *My deepest sympathy and condolence to Becky and her family. Jerry was a great veterinarian, a wonderful man and good friend to my late husband. May he rest in peace.*

*Linda Reynolds*

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**Linda Reynolds** - August 01, 2018 at 04:10 PM