



## James Lynn Cutcher

February 28, 1951 - December 31, 2020

James Lynn Cutcher 69, of Ringgold GA went to be with The Lord on December 31, 2020. Born in Ducktown, TN to the late Abe & Margaret Cutcher at 3.41 lbs; he received private duty care “until he gained weight”. He graduated from Baylor High School; and attended the University of Tennessee Knoxville that started his lifelong love for the Tennessee Vols. Jim later moved back to Chattanooga to complete his EMT and Paramedic license. He then returned to Ducktown, TN to start Polk County Ambulance Service. In 1978 Jim and his brother Rick moved back to Chattanooga and he began working at the new ambulance service at Hutcheson Medical Center along with several other ambulance services for the state of Georgia. He later taught EMSD Paramedic students at Chattanooga State Community College. Jim was passionate about his patients and provided the upmost care. He established deep friendships with both patients, staff, colleagues, and students. He was ‘Highly’ respected and revered; and stood for the highest ethical standards in EMS Care.

He was a member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, loved The Lord, and served on many committees. He shared God’s love by going to see the shut-in, and sharing God’s Word with them.

He is survived by his loving wife of 41 years Joan Beaver Cutcher; his two children Dabney (Robert) Padgett and Corey (Savanna) Cutcher, both of Chattanooga; also surviving are four grandchildren Lena & Eloise Cutcher and Briggs & Pace Padgett; brother Rick (Diane) Cutcher; niece and nephew

Adam & Cortney.

The family will receive friends on Tuesday January 5, 2021 in the parlor of the funeral home from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. A funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday January 6, 2021 in the Ft. Oglethorpe Chapel of Wilson Funeral Home with Pastor Chris Sheets officiating. A burial will follow at Tennessee – Georgia Memorial Park in Rossville.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made to the youth renovation fund at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Give - Good Shepherd Lutheran Church ([gslcflock.org](http://gslcflock.org))

# Cemetery Details

## Tennessee/Georgia Memorial Park

724 Hogan Rd.  
Rossville, GA 30741  
(706) 866-5533

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JAN 5.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

W. L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Home-Ft. Oglethorpe Chapel  
555 West Cloud Springs Road  
Ft. Oglethorpe, GA 30742  
(706) 866-5555  
info@wilsonfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.wilsonfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Service

**JAN 6.** 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

LW

“ I think he was the Jimmy Cutcher I went to UJ.T. with the Fall of 1969 and Winter of 1970. He was a good friend. We had a Class together. I am trying to find a friend of his and mine Mike Rimer from Ducktown. If anyone knows him I would like his elephone number. God Bless Jimmy, Larry R. Wilder.

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**Larry Wilder** - June 12, 2023 at 10:49 PM

TW

“ This is Tammy, David Wimpee's daughter. Daddy and Jim made quiet a team. They shared loads of laughter, mutual respect and love for one another. I am so sorry for your loss. He was such a special part of our family. I'm sure Daddy was one of the smiling, welcoming committee when Jim crossed over. They always have made quite a pair and will continue to be thru eternity. Prayers for peace, mercy and grace. Jim's love was so pure it will continue to transcend time.

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**Tammy Wimpee** - February 27, 2021 at 12:40 AM

JB

“ I enjoyed playing golf with Jimmy and Ricky at the Copper Basin Golf Club .  
One summer we played as many as 27 holes of golf a day . Jimmy was a good man.

Rest in Peace my friend , your friend Joel Blake ( [sargeblake@yahoo. com](mailto:sargeblake@yahoo.com) )

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**Joel Blake** - January 22, 2021 at 12:15 PM

MW

“ We are so sorry to hear of Jim’s passing. We really think a lot of you both. Please let us know if we can help you in any way.

Melvin Wimpee - January 17, 2021 at 06:08 PM

KR

“ There’s no metric available to measure Jim’s impact on the world. From the lives he touched directly on calls and in the classroom to the lives touched indirectly through his many students. I had the honor of caring for Cutch for a few minutes towards the end, and asked him what the best part of EMS had been for him. He said, “Helping people.” That focus showed in everything he did. Peace and grace to his family. Thanks for sharing him with us. He’ll be missed.

Keith Riddle - January 12, 2021 at 08:53 AM



“ Jim was not only a great teacher and mentor to so many in our field, but a great supporter and advocate of the Region 1 EMS Honor Guard! We cannot thank him enough for all he did to support us. From helping secure donations for equipment to throwing a kind word out to surrounding counties. He always had the best interest of all of us close to his heart. His antics and funny stories will not be forgotten either. [or the funny stories about him too!] He would always crack me up no matter where we were. A warm smile and a firm hand shake were always given no matter how he felt. Love and Respect to you sir! You will be sorely missed.

Marcus Desmond - January 05, 2021 at 10:31 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Marcus Desmond - January 05, 2021 at 10:19 PM

MG

“ Family and friends I am sorry for your loss. Jim was a mentor, friend, and co-worker for the entirety of my career. Prayers for comfort and peace during this difficult time 🙏❤️



Michael Gearrin - January 05, 2021 at 01:25 PM

JW

“ My deepest sympathy to the family of Jimmy Cutcher. He was a great and good friend in high school. Very witty and a kind soul. He will be missed.

Jack walker - January 05, 2021 at 11:40 AM

JN

“ Michi & I will always love & miss you so much Jim! You & Paul can have a party together on your birthdays! We will miss calling you this year! RIP JIM!! Love you! ❤️

Judi Nassour - January 04, 2021 at 01:23 PM

PM

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family for such a loss. Jim was one of my many educators over the years in EMS. I admired him for his knowledge and when he had something to tell you he told you. I will deeply miss him but I will cherish all the memories of the good times we had over the years.*

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**Pete Martin** - January 04, 2021 at 09:15 AM

DL

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**David Loftin** - January 03, 2021 at 03:00 PM

RC

“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



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**ricky cutter** - January 03, 2021 at 01:55 PM

RC

“ *Words can't express my feelings in the loss of my brother Jim. He was a wonderful brother who I will miss forever. I will see you Jim, along with mom and dad, soon.*

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**ricky cutter** - January 03, 2021 at 11:03 AM

DC

“ Jim, one of the most dedicated men in EMS. He seemed to expect nothing than the best from his students and coworkers. It was an amazing honor to be able to teach Along side a man of such knowledge. It was always an adventure to work the truck with him. Jim will be greatly missed, there will be a big whole that will be very very hard to fill. Go Rest High my friend, you deserve it after so much work you have done.

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**David Carter** - January 03, 2021 at 12:35 AM

JW

“ Rest In Peace, my mentor, my instructor, my idol, my EMS daddy, my colleague, my Friend, and my Pal!  
Thank you for all the memories, life lessons, talks, instruction, and caring that you gave! It would BEHOOVE us to never forget it, and we won't!  
We all love and adore you, my friend! Tell Dr. Creel, and Dr. Nassour we all said hi, and take your rightful place next to the other two JC's!!  
See you again someday!  
Your friend and colleague,  
James Westmoreland, P5237

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**Jay Westmoreland** - January 02, 2021 at 10:20 PM

DA

“ Jim was an instructor at our EMS instructor school, he was a great teacher and great guy. Really enjoyed getting to know him and seeing him at all the conferences we attended. He will be missed, he was a great teacher, practitioner and friend.

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**David** - January 02, 2021 at 09:00 PM

WN

“ I have known Jim many years from the days of ambulance work and he was always a good friend and man dedicated to helping others i know that man will be missed rest in peace jim will miss you

walt norman - January 02, 2021 at 03:44 PM

DL

I have known and worked with Jim for decades. He had the ability to teach and entertain at the same time which made him a rare teacher. Everyone loved him and has hundreds of stories about him. Jim loved EMS and the Vols. He was a people person that hated to be alone. I was shocked at his rapid decline after his fall. His comic hero was Jerry Clower and I am certain he is trading jokes with Jerry in Heaven right now. He left quite a legacy. God bless Jim and may he rest in peace. We have it from here.

David Loftin - January 02, 2021 at 04:56 PM

MG

I started in EMS in 1988 in the Post Volunteer Fire Dept. Jim taught my First responder Class in 1993, He taught me as an EMT and Paramedic and was my Partner different times in my Career At Tri-County EMS I have spent many hours with Jim Learning as a Medic and a person He was there for me and family in 1999 after i was injured in an accident, Jim you will not be forgotten

Matthew Gibson - January 02, 2021 at 05:26 PM

MD

I first met Jim, when my wife Sharon became an Instructor. Going to the EMS conferences over the years before I too became an Instructor. Any time I would see Jim at the conferences, he made time to talk with me. Always asked how I was doing after Sharon passed. Sharon and I both thought the world of him. Rest easy Jim. Prayers for the family

Mike Davis - January 02, 2021 at 08:35 PM

BT

Rest In Peace Jim we had a lot of good times as dabney Corey and Bryce were growing up I am quarantined till Jan 9 so I can't come and pay my respects so long my friend I'll see you in heaven

bill thomas - January 03, 2021 at 09:13 AM

ER

*On occasion I would preach at the Contemporary service at Good Shepherd Lutheran and Jim would always come up shake my hand and offer encouraging words. May this time of deep sorrow also be a time of celebration of Jim's life. Jesus Christ tells us in Scripture that He did not come to be served but to serve others. Jim lived by these words. May the loving arms of our Lord and Savior comfort his family to know with total certainty that Jim has received his reward with the words--Well done my good and faithful servant. Pastor Ed Rosser*

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**ed rosser** - January 03, 2021 at 09:21 AM

MM

*Rest in peace cousin Jim. I have many happy memories of visiting your family in Ducktown. You will be greatly missed.*

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**Margaret Muzyn** - January 03, 2021 at 12:14 PM

JS

*Joan, you and the kids are in my prayers. This will definitely leave a gap in your lives. I hope to see you Tues. evening. JoAnna*

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**JoAnna Swanson** - January 03, 2021 at 01:07 PM