



Rev. Gene and Mrs. Polly James

January 22, 2021

Rev. Delmer “Gene” James, age 83, and Mrs. Pauline “Polly” Franklin James, age 79, of Dalton, both went to their Heavenly Home on Friday, January 22, 2021. They were married on November 30, 1958 and were married for 62 years, separated by death for only four hours, then reunited again with each other in the presence of their Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Together they worked hard all their lives building a wonderful legacy to leave behind. They raised a family, built a farm, founded Beaverdale Superette and kept Beaverdale Baptist Church open in the early 1980’s. After retirement Gene “Trailer Man” started “Cleveland Road Trailer Sales” which he operated until March of 2020. He always had a joke to tell and loved to tell people about Jesus and lead them to Christ! He would say, “If your salvation don’t change your life then I wouldn’t trust it to get you to Heaven.” Polly was a wonderful wife, mom, granny and sister who took care of her family until the very end. She was a very giving person and would help anyone in need. She loved doing crafts, flowers, cooking and sewing.

Gene was preceded in death by his father, Delmer James; step-father and mother, Charlie and Maude Peden.

Polly was preceded in death by her parents, Albert and Pearl Franklin.

Gene is survived by numerous sisters, brothers, nieces and nephews.

Polly is survived by a very special sister who she loved dearly and talked to

everyday, Frances "Cricket" Keown, niece and nephews.

Together they are survived by their sons and daughters-in-law, Donald James, Ray and Angie James, Rickey and Sherry James, Keith James; grandchildren, Brandi and Justin Holden, Candi James, Brittany and Michael Land, Zack James, Nora and Ava James; great-grandchildren, Kailyn James, Parker and Kaidyn Land and Palmer and Maverick Holden; countless extended family and dear friends. The James family would like to say a special thank you to Connie Whitener for all the help, care and support that she has shown to our parents.

A Homegoing Celebration will be held at 2:00 pm, Monday, January 25, 2021 at Little Prospect Baptist Church with Pastor Keith James and Bro. Justin Holden officiating. Interment will follow in United Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends from 4:00 pm till 8:00 pm Sunday, January 24, 2021 also at Little Prospect Baptist Church. (8347 Hwy 2, Dalton, GA 30721)

Online guest book at www.wilsonfuneralhome.com. Arrangements by W. L. Wilson & Sons Funeral Homes, Fort Oglethorpe, GA.

Cemetery Details

United Memorial Gardens

2738 Cleveland Highway
Dalton, GA 30721

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 24. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Little Prospect Baptist Church
8347 Highway 2
Dalton
Dalton, GA 30721

Funeral Service

JAN 25. 2:00 PM (ET)

Little Prospect Baptist Church
8347 Highway 2
Dalton, GA 30721

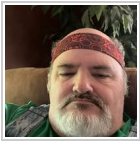
Tribute Wall

WM

“ We always enjoyed seeing Gene and/or Polly when they would come to Manis Grocery! So sorry to lose them. They were a true blessing to anyone that had the privilege to meet them. Rest In Peace!

Wanda Manis-Allen

Wanda Manis-Allen - January 28, 2021 at 12:32 PM



“ Jeff Whisenant sent a virtual gift in memory of Rev. Gene and Mrs. Polly James



Jeff Whisenant - January 22, 2021 at 10:06 PM

GC

“ This really breaks my heart loosing polly and Gene. They were like a mom and dad to me since I was 16. I know they are together in Heaven no more sickness nor pain. My heart breaks for Donald, Ray, Ricky an Bro. Keith James. My thoughts and prayers are with all you guys. I love you polly so much an will miss talking to you. Fly high.

Glenda Cantrell - January 22, 2021 at 08:48 PM

CS

Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family during this difficult time. May the Lord embrace your family with His loving care through this difficult time and reveal His marvelous Grace to each of you, as you move forward from this moment of sadness. Your friends at New Life Baptist Church.

Clay Sutton - January 23, 2021 at 10:44 AM

KB

*I love u Polly and Gene. I am so glad i got to talk with you both on the phone a few weeks ago, enjoyed it so much. Have always loved u both. Will miss you both. I know your not suffering at all for your in the arms of God. See you both one day soon.
Kathy Boyd*

Kathy Boyd - January 23, 2021 at 03:15 PM

SA

My condolences to the family . I worked with Gene at Shaw shipping . He shared many memories of his wife and family , church and his music. .

sandy allen - January 23, 2021 at 10:36 PM

RB

Me and Greg worked with him at shaw. He would come to FoodCity and buy 3 coconut cakes he would tell me they are so good, and they don't make his sugar go up. Always telling jokes. Now they are in heaven rejoicing. A beautiful couple.

Robyn Burns - January 24, 2021 at 03:51 AM