

## Howard-Carter Funeral Home

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### Jimmy Harold Tyer

(July 22, 1942 - June 7, 2017)

Jimmy Harold Tyer passed away peacefully June 7, 2017 at home with his loving, devoted wife Judy and son Dean at his side. "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith" (II Timothy 4:7) A memorial service to honor his life will be conducted at 6:00 p.m. Sunday, June 11, 2017 at Tanglewood Church of God with Pastor Allen Stocks officiating. The family will receive friends following the service.



Jimmy was born July 22, 1942 in Washington, NC to Ralph and Mary Tyer of Pinetown. In 1960, he graduated from Bath High School where he was an All-State football and baseball player. Upon graduation, he signed with the Boston Red Sox; he later played with the Pittsburgh Pirates until an injury ended his career. He graduated from ECU in 1967 with a degree in recreation and physical education. He coached at Washington High School until 1970 when he became the Parks and Recreation Director. His career as a Parks and Recreation Director moved him to Fayetteville in 1974 and to Kinston in 1977. Upon retirement, he owned and operated a playground equipment company until 2008.

During his career, he served on several local boards and committees. He also served his State and National organizations well in a variety of capacities. He received numerous awards including the Jaycees Outstanding Boss of the Year in Fayetteville and Kinston, NCRPA President's Award, NCRPA Fellow Award, NCRPA Hall of Fame award, and the Kinston/Lenoir County Sports Hall of Fame.

In addition to his parents, Jimmy was preceded in death by his son, Jim Arthur of Oak Island. Survivors include his wife, Judy of the home, a son-Dean Tyer of Oak Island, a brother- Tommy Tyer of Hampstead, brother-in-law- Billy Beamon of Morehead City, Dennis Beamon and wife Debbie of Snow Hill, several nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Special thanks to Dr. Qadir, Dr. Pardeep, Dr. Randolph and their staff. You provided the highest quality of care and did so with such love and compassion. To Allen and Diane Grady who have been there for us every step of the way, we cannot thank you enough. We also thank Lovick's Café, Tanglewood Church, TWC cancer support group, TWC Vision Sunday

School Class and many very special friends for the food, visits, phone calls, and the tremendous amount of love and support you provided during this very difficult time.

Memorials can be made to Tanglewood Church cancer support group, 2103 Rouse Road, Kinston, NC 28504.

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