



# James Fredrick Thomas Garner

August 29, 1929 - January 10, 2016

James Fredrick Thomas Garner  
Haynesville, LA

James Fredrick Thomas Garner went to his eternal rest on January 10, 2016. He was born on August 29, 1929 to Melissa Beatrice Stewart Garner and James Carl Garner in Tulsa, OK. He was preceded in death by his parents and his second wife, Linda Waldron Garner of Haynesville, LA and son, Mike Garner.

His memory will be cherished by his wife, Jill Hardin Loyd Garner of Haynesville, LA;; daughter Jennifer G. Fowler and husband Jay of Lumberton, NC; son, Ron Garner and wife Gina of Lansing, KS; daughter-in-law, Sarah G. Gaxiola and husband Frank of Lubbock, TX; and brother, Hal Garner and wife, Gretchen of Red Bluff, CA. He will be missed by step-daughter, Jannah Loyd of Haynesville, LA; granddaughters, Kathleen G. VonKampen and husband Paul of CA; Melissa G. McMahon and husband Scott of NE; grandsons Jonathan Garner of AK and James and Wayne Garner of KS.

During his early years he was nick-named Fred in honor of his Dad's brother and in his later years he was called Jim.

He grew up in Collinsville, OK on the farm of his maternal grandparent's, Mary and Tom Stewart. His father, James, died in 1942 as a result of an industrial accident. His mother, brother Hal, and he relocated to Los Angeles in 1944. He graduated from Franklin High, Highland Park, CA in 1948. During his senior year, he was named to the L.A. All-City Baseball team as pitcher. After high school, he was signed to play for the Pittsburg Pirates organization for two years. In 1950, he was drafted into the Army where he later became a trainer for new recruits at Camp Roberts, CA. He was promoted to Sgt, and was responsible for supervision of the troops during training. He was sent to Korea in June, 1952 where he established and directed a sports program for soldiers who were recently relieved of combat duty. He was promoted to Sgt. 1st class before he returned to the U.S.

His career in law enforcement began with the LA County Sheriff's Dept. in 1954 where he

became a Charter Member of the L.A. County Special Enforcement Detail. He earned his B.S. in Police Administration from Los Angeles State College in 1960. He became a Special Agent for the F.B.I in 1962. He was assigned to the Oklahoma City office and later to the Cleveland, Ohio Office. He was then selected to serve at the F.B.I. National Academy as a counselor in Washington, D.C. He left the F.B.I. to become the Security Representative for Southwestern Bell in Kansas City, MO. He advanced in position with Southwestern Bell serving in Houston, TX, Lubbock, TX, and the state of Kansas. When he retired, he was the ATandT Security Manager for the nine states of the Southwest division.

While retired, Jim was a Private Investigator for Clarence Kelly and Associates in Kansas City, MO. He continued to work as a PI and Bail Bonds Agent until 2013. He also served as a Justice of the Peace and Chief of Police for Haynesville, LA.

Jim was blessed with loved ones who led him to know Jesus as his Lord and Savior at an early age. He was called to serve his Lord through church attendance, teaching Sunday school, singing in the church choir, as Deacon and as evangelist in several locations. His greatest joy was to witness and see someone come to know Jesus.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 pm, Wednesday, January 13, 2016, at the Bailey Funeral Home Chapel, Haynesville, LA with Dr. Larry Duggins officiating. Interment will follow in Friendship Cemetery, Haynesville under the direction of Bailey Funeral Home.

Visitation will be held Tuesday, January 12, 2016 from 5:00 pm until 7:00 pm at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Haynesville United Methodist Church, First Baptist of Haynesville or Friendship Cemetery fund, 1976 Maddox Rd, Haynesville, LA 71038.

Sign our online guest book at [www.baileyfuneralhome.net](http://www.baileyfuneralhome.net).

Bailey Funeral Home  
Haynesville, LA  
318-624-0366

# Cemetery

**Friendship Cemetery**  
136 Temple Road  
Haynesville, LA, 71038

# Events

**JAN 12**   **Visitation**   05:00PM - 07:00PM

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Bailey Funeral Home - Haynesville  
4011 Hwy. 2 Alt., Haynesville, LA, US, 71038

**JAN 13**   **Funeral Service**   02:00PM

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# Comments

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“ Very sorry to hear of Mr. Garner's passing. I've fond memories of him - such a kind and generous gentleman. Prayers for the family.

**Tim Kelley** - January 14 at 12:22 AM

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“ I worked with Jim in the early 60s in Youngstown, OH Good Agent and good friend. thoughts and prayers are with his family. We have lost a good man. Jack Cooney, Atlanta GA

**Jack Cooney** - January 13 at 01:27 PM

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“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of James Fredrick Thomas Garner .



January 13 at 09:29 AM

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“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James Fredrick Thomas Garner .



January 13 at 09:24 AM

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Fredrick Thomas Garner .



January 12 at 03:46 PM

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“ Pastor Damian, Emily, Claire, and Hannah purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of James Fredrick Thomas Garner .



**Pastor Damian, Emily, Claire, and Hannah** - January 12 at 03:04 PM

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“ 36 files added to the album LifeTributes



**Bailey Funeral Home** - January 12 at 01:53 PM

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“ Hal and Gretchen purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of James Fredrick Thomas Garner .



**Hal and Gretchen** - January 12 at 11:49 AM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James Fredrick Thomas Garner .



January 12 at 10:43 AM