



Jimmie H. Gaunder

March 10, 1935 - December 20, 2020

Obituary for James "Jimmie" H. Gaunder

James "Jimmie" H. Gaunder, 85, of Denison, Texas, and a longtime resident of Perryton, Texas, passed away Sunday, December 20, 2020, in Colbert, Oklahoma. Jimmie was born March 10, 1935, in Taos, New Mexico, to Paul and Marina "Martinez" Gaunder. He married Rose Penn on July 16, 1956, in Clayton, New Mexico. Jimmie worked in the electrical field his entire life and retired as a District Line Foreman, from Texas New Mexico Power Company after 18 years.

He raced motorcycles, cars, and flew airplanes. He played the guitar, drums, piano, organ and sang. Jimmie could play almost any musical instrument by ear and played in many bands. He was a 32 degree Mason and a Golden Trowel Recipient. He also was a Ham Radio Operator, certified scuba diver and a bull rider.

Jimmie is survived by his wife, Rose, of Colbert, Oklahoma; daughter, Kathy Elkouri of Enid, Oklahoma; Son, Tim Gaunder and wife Bobbie of Yantis, Texas; Son, Michael Gaunder and wife Melissa of Newalla, Oklahoma; Son, Marty Gaunder and wife Melissa of Cushing, Oklahoma; 10 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren; Sister, JoAnna Gaunder Stevens; several nieces and nephews; and many loving friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one brother David Gaunder; 2 sisters, Ann Robinson and Patti Bulls; one son, Louie Gaunder; and Granddaughter, Hope.

Visitation will be held 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm, Sunday, December 27th, 2020 at Brown's Funeral Service in Durant, Oklahoma, and the funeral service will begin at 2:00 pm with Pastor Garry Jordan officiating. Interment will follow at Rose Hill Cemetery in Calera, Oklahoma.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions be made to the Alzheimer's Association. Alzheimers Association Memorial Contribution Link <https://www.tributeslides.com/tributes/show/3747GJT6TJQ2HTGG>

Cemetery Details

Rosehill Cemetery

N 3rd St.
Calera, OK 74730

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 27. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Brown's Funeral Service - Durant
4900 West US Hwy 70
Durant, OK 74701
(580) 920-0393
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Funeral

DEC 27. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Brown's Durant Funeral Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Jimmie H. Gaunder*



Brown's Durant Funeral Service - December 23, 2020 at 04:12 PM

TS

Loved it the life and times of a wonderful man.

Theresa S.

theresa switzer - December 23, 2020 at 07:49 PM

VC

Just received my video, loved the songs and all the family pictures.

Valerie Chavez - January 07, 2021 at 11:11 PM



“ *Jimmie H. Gaunder*

January 08, 2023 at 11:32 PM

RP

“ *Have lots of fond memories of Jimmy and Rose. Lots of guitar picking memories.*

Rita Presley - January 14, 2021 at 09:02 AM

DN

“ Good man and good family..prayers all 🙏

Dan Nelson - December 27, 2020 at 08:43 PM

SC

“ Presenting Jimmie with the Golden Trowel Award was one of my greatest honors as Worshipful Master of Billie Mosse Lodge. I will miss him greatly, and so will all the members of the Lodge.

Steve Cherry

Steve Cherry - December 27, 2020 at 09:41 AM

VC

“ Jimmie H. Gaunder was my first cousin (my Primo). He was fun to be around. My dad was his uncle and they both had so much in common. They both could play any kind of instrument and played by ear, they both loved singing especially for family gatherings, they both were able to keep an audience interested with music and jokes, and the both were family men. Jimmie loved his visits to Taos . Him and Rose, Paul and Carlita (Ann) came a few times too visit us and he always gave us a tour with his youthful memories. I was able to see Taos as he did. The last time I seen him was 2 years ago, everytime we visited we bonded like we've never been apart. His children brought him and I was so happy to meet his loving family. I offer my condolences to all his family, my prima Jodie her family and my other primos families. Jimmie was a great man and his memory will always be in my heart.

Valerie Chavez - December 27, 2020 at 01:22 AM

LR

“ *Gaunder Family!! Love and Prayers!! Love your family!! Great friends and family! Loved the video ordered one for keepsake!! Floyd Reynolds family* ❤️❤️❤️🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏🙏

Lanora Reynolds - December 26, 2020 at 09:48 AM

AG

“ *Angie and Henry Grothe purchased the Serene R etreat for the family of Jimmie H. Gaunder.*



Angie and Henry Grothe - December 23, 2020 at 11:17 PM

TS

“ *He was a wonderful and caring man for his family. He was a man of many talents. I am glad that I got to know him from TNP. He will be missed. Prayers for Mike and Melissa and the rest of the Gaunder Family. Love to you.*

Theresa S.

theresa switzer - December 23, 2020 at 07:53 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Jimmie H. Gaunder.*



December 23, 2020 at 04:16 PM

JS

“ My brother Jimmy was a wonderful musician who played and sang for as long as I can remember. He loved his music and was very good at learning quickly whatever he wanted to play and sing for people. He would invariably call me up to sing with him without practice. He did this to me in church one time.

We grew up in a small rural town, Perryton, in the Texas Panhandle. When I was around six years and he was in high school, he had formed a band that played at various high school events. While his band was practicing at our house one evening, he put me onto a kitchen chair and placed the bass fiddle in front of me and proceeded to teach me how to play to “Rock Around the Clock”. The next Saturday he took me to Teen Town in Perryton and had me play that song with his band. I love this memory with my beautiful brother, Jimmy.

I will miss you my precious but I will see you again someday for I know you are in heaven playing and singing. We will sing together again only this time we will be singing for our Lord.

I love you big brother!
Jodie

Joanna G Stevens - December 23, 2020 at 12:03 PM

JH

Jim was one of the best men i ever worked for and a good friend. He will be missed. Prayers for the family.

Jon Howard - January 06, 2021 at 08:55 PM