



James D. Collins

December 25, 1936 - May 10, 2014

James D. Collins, 77, of Virginia, passed away on May 10, 2014. James was born December 25, 1936 to Ernest and Maude Collins in mason County. Both parents preceded him in death. James had 5 brothers and 2 sisters, his sister Marjorie preceded him in death and also his grandson, Ethan James Collins.

He married Barbara A. Warden in 1959 and had three children- Steven (wife Sheri) of Chandlerville, Dennis (Wife Teena) and their daughter Hailey of Jacksonville and Teresa (husband Marc) Medina and their daughter Molly of Rushville.

James and Barbara Smith married in 1983. Barbara has a daughter, Carey Smith (husband Andrew) Heathwaite and their children Kaleigh and Luca of Urbana; a son, Cory (wife Christina) Simpson and their children, Dante, Katelyn, Demetria and Caleb of Chandlerville. They all survive.

James was a Bulldozer operator for 54 years. In his lifetime, he cleared hundreds of acres of timber for farmland and built many miles of river and creek levees. He built farm ponds and lagoons and was highly skilled at welding. He also worked with a dragline.

In his spare time, James coached the local ball teams, went fishing, hunting and trapping. he also trained many beagles for hunting. James loved his family and his many friends. He loved Bulldozing and his wife Barbara.

Funeral services for James will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2014 at 11:00 am at the Lintner-Hurley Funeral Home of Chandlerville, visitation will be one hour prior. Burial will follow at Chandlerville Cemetery. Online condolences may be left at <http://www.hurleyfh.com/>. Lintner-Hurley Funeral Home of Chandlerville is assisting the Collins family with arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ *James D. Collins*

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