



## Jimmy Fontenot

December 29, 1946 - August 29, 2024

Jimmy C. Fontenot, beloved husband, father, and grandfather, passed away peacefully

in his home surrounded by his family on August 29, 2024 at the age of 77.

Jimmy was born in Prescott, Arkansas, on December 29, 1946 to Yvonne Clark

(Fontenot). Shortly after his birth, the family relocated to Collinston, Louisiana, which

Jimmy always referred to as home. This is where he met the love of his life Janice

Francis (Fontenot). Jimmy graduated from Collinston High School in 1964, after which

he was drafted to serve his country during the Vietnam War as a member of the United

States Army. During his time of service, Jimmy was a Purple Heart recipient and a

Prisoner of War who helped to orchestrate a harrowing escape from his and his fellow

servicemen's captors.

Jimmy and Janice married on March 16, 1968 and ventured south for Jimmy to begin

his career in oilfield sales and rentals. The two eventually made their home in Lafayette, Louisiana, where they raised their children Lisa and Craig. Jimmy dedicated his life to his family who will never forget the sacrifices that he made for them. Jimmy was their hero, and his legacy of devotion to family and country will live on in them.

Jimmy was preceded in death by his mother, Yvonne Clark Fontenot, his stepfather, C.T. Fontenot, his brother Clarence Fontenot, his grandfather Harland Clark, and his grandmother Mary Maloch Clark.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Janice Francis Fontenot; his daughter, Lisa Fontenot Lynch; his son, Craig Fontenot and his wife Erin; his grandsons, Aidan Fontenot and Tucker Lynch; his granddaughter, Riley Fontenot; his sister, Mary Alice Fontenot Wood; his brothers, Don Fontenot and Paul Fontenot, and his aunt, Shirley Clark Chilton.

Friends and family will gather at Reily Memorial Methodist Church in Collinston, Louisiana, on Saturday, September 7, 2024 to remember and celebrate the life of Jimmy C. Fontenot. Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and a Memorial Service will commence thereafter.

Inurnment will follow at Carter Cemetery, where Jimmy's beloved Elvis will sing him home with "My Way."

Arrangements have been entrusted to Matthews Funeral Home JENNINGS, La, 511 North Cutting Avenue Jennings, La 70546, 337-824-4420.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 7. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Reily Memorial United Methodist  
4571 Keller Drive  
Collinston, LA 71229

## Memorial Service

SEP 7. 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM (CT)

Reily Memorial United Methodist  
4571 Keller Drive  
Collinston, LA 71229

## Inurnment

SEP 7 (CT)

Carter Cemetery  
Hwy 593 Collinston-Bastrup Road MoreHouse Parish  
Collinston, LA 71229

# Tribute Wall



“ Johnny Walker planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jimmy Fontenot.

Johnny Walker - September 05, 2024 at 02:57 PM



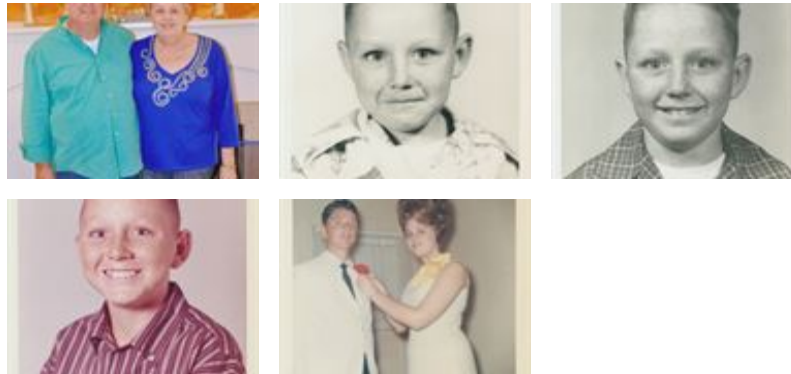
“ Johnny Walker purchased the Floor Plant for Sympathy for the family of Jimmy Fontenot.



Johnny Walker - September 05, 2024 at 02:57 PM



“ 80 files added to the album Life Tributes



Matthews Funeral Home - September 04, 2024 at 10:34 AM



“ *Dish Garden with Fresh Cut Flowers was purchased for the family of Jimmy Fontenot.*



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September 01, 2024 at 11:47 AM



“ *George and Kathy Blanchard planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jimmy Fontenot.*

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**George and Kathy Blanchard** - August 31, 2024 at 05:49 PM



“ *George and Kathy Blanchard purchased the Red, White & Blue Sympathy Floor Basket for the family of Jimmy Fontenot.*



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**George and Kathy Blanchard** - August 31, 2024 at 05:49 PM



“ *Jimmy and I were running buddies back in the oilfield heyday. Jimmy loved dove hunting. More the comraderie than the actual hunting. We would sit it the field with I cold beer and shout to the other hunters when the birds coming. Oh to be young again brother. I sure will look up up when I get to heaven. Save me a chair and a cold beer.*

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**George Blanchard** - August 31, 2024 at 05:40 PM

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“ *The team at Louisiana Environmental Concepts LLC(LEC) purchased the Calm & Comfort Bouquet for Sympathy - Florist Choice for the family of Jimmy Fontenot.*



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**The team at Louisiana Environmental Concepts LLC(LEC) -**  
August 31, 2024 at 03:09 PM