

James, Luther Calvin 1940 - 2011

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Dr. Luther Calvin "L.C." James II, 71, went to be with the Lord while surrounded by family at home after a courageous battle with cancer on Sept. 15, 2011.

He is survived by his loving wife of 49 years, Sue Williamson James; two sons, Robert Clay James and Luther "Calvin" (Trista) James III.

Dr. James was born in Georgetown on Jan. 30, 1940, to Luther Calvin James and Nellie Pearl Carter James.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Georgetown. He graduated from Garth High School, then attended the University of Kentucky. He attended Fort Gordon Military School in Georgia, and then went to Fort Knox where he became a military police officer for two years.

He graduated from Georgetown College and Auburn University where he received his doctorate in Veterinary Medicine.

He worked for Dr. Warren Nash in Danville and was a director at the Animal Disease Diagnostic Lab for a short time.

After returning to Georgetown in 1974, he established Scott County Animal Clinic and TLC Pet Motel, where he served the community he loved.

He was active in Boy Scouts as an associate Scoutmaster, a member of the American Legion as a retired veteran, a 32nd degree Mason and a past master of Mt. Vernon Lodge # 14. Dr. James had a unique gift for connecting deeply with people and was effortlessly popular. He was a fun loving and very compassionate person who will be telling jokes in Heaven. He will be greatly missed by his loving family and friends.

He was affectionately called "Papaw" by three granddaughters, Jessica Lynne (Chad) Smith, Jenny Lee and Julie Lauren James; two grandsons, Jayden Scott and Jaxton Blake James; one great granddaughter, Chloe Belle Johnson; and one great-grandson, Marshall Wyatt Smith.

He is also survived by a brother, Dr. Richard "Dick" Carter (Mellie) James of Columbia, Miss.; and two sisters, Anne Marie James, of Owenton, and Jane Carol (Russell) Faulconer, of Crowley, La.

Other survivors include several nieces, nephews, sisters-in-law, brothers-in law and many special friends.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Samuel Paul James.

A special thanks to Dr. Gus Bynum, Georgetown Community Hospital Infusion Center, Markey Cancer Center, and Hospice of the Bluegrass for their outstanding care.

Visitation is 5 to 9 p.m. with Masonic Services at 7 p.m. Monday at Tucker, Yocum, & Wilson Funeral Home. The funeral is 11 a.m. Tuesday at First United Methodist Church.

Burial with military honors will be at the Williamson/Duncan Family Cemetery on Hinton Cemetery Road in Sadieville.

Pallbearers are Luther "Calvin" James III, Chad Smith, Shawn McCarthy, Terry Crank, Greg Crank, and Jeff Crank. Honorary bearers are Phillip Breeding, Jack Shepherd, John Lewis, Buddy Coleman, Robert Mulberry, Ted Oldham, Dr. R.C. Giles, Dr. Warren Nash, Hubert Caudill, Larry Prather, Harry Dickerson, James Earl Lewis, Bobby Moss, Russell Tudor, Dr. Gus Bynum, Bobby Raisor, R. Clark Cleveland, Gus Moss, and Doug Brown.

Memorial contributions can be made to Hospice of the Bluegrass or building fund of First United Methodist Church.