



James C. (Jim) Epley

November 13, 1943 - November 10, 2023

James C. (Jim) Epley of Springdale, Arkansas, died November 10, 2023, at age 79. Born in the Fayetteville City Hospital on November 13, 1943, he was a life-long resident of Springdale. He married Mary Young on September 3, 1982. They had no children. Jim is survived by his wife, Mary, his brothers Lewis Jr. (Donna), Alan (Sherry), and Charles (Janet). He is predeceased by his parents, Evelyn R. and Lewis E. Epley, Sr.

At one time it seemed that he knew everyone in Springdale. He loved to fish, hunt, listen to country/gospel music, and tell corny jokes. He worked on different occasions for the City of Springdale, the Springdale Memorial Hospital (now Northwest), United Built Homes, and had his own lawn maintenance business. He was known for his hard work. As a young man, he was a member of the First Baptist Church on Holcomb Street. In later years he moved his letter to Caudle Avenue Baptist Church. In his younger days, Jim loved performing as a member of the group who put on an old west “gun fight” in downtown Springdale for the 4th of July rodeo events. He didn’t mind being one of the “good guys” posse or an outlaw bank robber. He was a boy scout and a member of a CB club and participated in it’s search and rescue team. His heroes were Matt Dillon of Gunsmoke and Rowdy Gains on Rawhide. He watched them to the end. He especially liked Audie Murphy movies, but just about any western would do.

He always wanted to be a cowboy.

Funeral services will be at Sisco Funeral Home on Meadow Street, Springdale, across from where Jim lived as a youngster at 708 Meadow (before it became a telephone company building). Burial will be at Bluff Cemetery next to his parents. Services at Sisco Funeral Chapel will be Wednesday, November 15, 2023, at 2:00p.m.

Donations or memorial gifts may be made to Circle of Life Hospice, 901 Jones Road, Springdale, AR 72764, Caudle Ave. Baptist Church, P.O. Box 681, Springdale AR 72764 or to a charity of choice.

Online condolences may be left at www.siscofuneral.com

Cemetery Details

Bluff Cemetery

795 N. Shiloh Street
Springdale, AR 72764

Previous Events

Funeral Service

NOV 15. 2:00 PM (CT)

Sisco Funeral Chapel
705 W Meadow Ave
Springdale, AR 72764

Tribute Wall

JM

“ James and I were classmates at Springdale Central Elementary in 1st and 2nd grade. I was amazed at how large his hands were. I would often put my hand in his palm to admire his overpowering size. We were in same Sunday School class at First Baptist Church, Holcomb St, Springdale. James was always a lot of fun. As we grew older and I moved away I would often think of our wonderful times together. Love you James, James McNally.

James McNally - July 20, 2024 at 07:14 PM

RW

“ Oh wow, just found out that Jim has passed away. I used to be a caregiver for him. He was such a sweet and funny guy. My prayers to you Mary at this difficult time. God bless.

Ramona Wolter - November 29, 2023 at 03:15 AM

JB

“ When we went floating down the buffalo river and we spent most of the time floating backwards. We continue to laugh about that trip

Johnny R Bolin - November 13, 2023 at 12:45 PM

EC

“ Wayne Bourek and I always enjoyed our time with the app please. Once we went to Eureka to see their mother and Wayne had bought a disposable camera at Walmart and thought he had to takeoff all that wrapping, that yellow and black wrapping in order to take the picture. It was pretty funny at the time. Sending sympathies your way.

Ellen Cato

Ellen Cato - November 13, 2023 at 11:56 AM

GR

“ The summer of 1960 I went to Trussville, Alabama to play in a regional baseball tournament. We were 12 year olds at that time. Mr. Lewis Epley was one of our coaches. James accompanied us to Alabama, but he was too old to play. The whole team was eating in their uniforms, and I accidentally spilled a glass of tea on my lap. The tea landed (unfortunately) in my crotch area. The next day I had to play in that very same uniform. James thought this was hilarious. He decided to nickname me Tea/Pee. 15 years later I returned to Springdale working for SBC. One day while working I saw James mowing a yard. When he finished, I approached him. I made eye contact with him and asked him how things were going. James immediately remarked, "How are You doing Tea Pee?"

After 75 years, James is one of the high points in my life

Gary Rains

Gary Rains - November 12, 2023 at 08:30 PM