



## James Ray Polson

May 10, 1954 - October 14, 2020

James “Ray” Polson, 66, of Laurel, MS, went home to be with Lord and Savior Jesus Christ following a brave battle with a lengthy illness. Ray was born on Monday, May 10, 1954 to Robert and Tommie Polson of Laurel, MS and peacefully passed away at home on October 14, 2020.

Ray will be remembered as a kind and gentle person who always had a smile on his face. Ray enjoyed his life, family and many friends. He was an extremely talented and skilled worker who could build or repair anything. You would often find him helping friends and neighbors in the community. Ray was a long-time member of West Laurel Baptist Church. He was always there to brighten the lives of others.

Ray and his wife Janet lovingly shared 33 years of marriage. It was based on mutual support and a deep love for each other. They stood by each other’s side on the good days and even closer on bad days. Janet gracefully cared for him throughout his illness.

Ray was preceded in death by his loving mother, Tommie N. Polson. As we all know, she was right there welcoming him into the gates of heaven. Survivors include his wife, Janet Polson, of Laurel, MS; father, Robert Polson of Laurel, MS; brothers, John Polson of Laurel, MS and David Polson (Donna) of Madison, MS; stepson BJ Bond of Laurel and niece Jozette Polson of Bay

Springs, MS.

Ray was a person of faith and lived life serving others. Ray will be missed but not forgotten. Heaven has gained another angel.

Graveside services will be held at Hickory Grove Cemetery on Friday, October 16, 2020. Viewing will be at 1:30 p.m. with the service at 2:00 p.m. with burial to follow. Rev. Steve Jackson, Pastor at West Laurel Baptist Church will officiate. Longtime family friend, Jimmy Knight will sing "Amazing Grace" during the service. Memory Chapel Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers are Charlie Bryant, Buddy Blackmon, David Polson, Mark Munn, John Walters, and Donald Smith.

To view and sign online guestbook, visit [www.memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Hickory Grove Cemetery

Intersection of 15th Street and Old Bay  
Springs Rd  
Laurel, MS 39440

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 16. 1:30 PM (CT)

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Intersection of 15th Street and Old Bay Springs Rd  
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## Service

OCT 16. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

BH

“ *RIP old friend. I will see again. That is what Jesus promised those that have asked him to come into their heart. Your friend and brother in Chirst, Billy Ray Hinton*

**Billy Hinton** - October 21, 2020 at 08:27 PM

LA

“ *Very sad to hear about Ray. We went to school together from the 1st grade through high school. He was a very dear and loyal friend. We ran the roads in his lime green dodge charger and had a blast. My condolences go to his family and you will be in my thoughts and prayers.  
God Bless,  
Larry Ishee*

**Larry** - October 20, 2020 at 03:33 PM

AW

“ *So sorry for your loss. Praying for you and your family.*

**Amy Williams** - October 16, 2020 at 09:36 AM

SC

“ *Sheila Chung lit a candle in memory of James Ray Polson*



**Sheila Chung** - October 15, 2020 at 06:44 PM

SH

“ Susan Holmes lit a candle in memory of James Ray Polson



Susan Holmes - October 15, 2020 at 03:37 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of James Ray Polson.



October 15, 2020 at 03:25 PM

SH

“ Susan Holmes lit a candle in memory of James Ray Polson



Susan Holmes - October 15, 2020 at 02:59 PM

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Susan Holmes - October 15, 2020 at 02:00 PM