



## James Richard Townsend

July 23, 1932 - April 4, 2022

James Richard Townsend, 89, of Laurel, MS passed from this life on April 4, 2022 at his residence.

He was born in Laurel on July 23, 1932. Mr. Townsend was a veteran of the United States Army and was employed with Goodwill Publishers in advertisement sales prior to his retirement.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Sally Warren Townsend; parents, B. C. and Lola Hosey Townsend; one son, Jim Townsend; brothers, Cliff Townsend and William Townsend; and sisters, Laura Ishee and Rosemary Farragut.

Survivors include his son, Kiah Townsend (Kayleen) of Houston, Texas; brother, Gus Townsend of the Sharon Community; sister, Ruthie Gavin of Laurel; and three grandchildren.

Services will be held at Memory Chapel Funeral Home on Saturday, April 16, 2022 with visitation beginning at 9 a.m. and the service to follow at 10 a.m. Interment will be at Sharon Cemetery. Nephews will serve as pallbearers. Bro. Ken Johnson will officiate.

To sign the online guest book, visit [www.memorychapellaurel.com](http://www.memorychapellaurel.com).



# Cemetery Details

## Sharon Cemetery

4375 Sharon Road  
Laurel, MS 39443

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 16. 9:00 AM (CT)

Memory Chapel Funeral Home  
3100 Audubon Drive  
P. O. Box 674  
Laurel, MS 39440  
(601) 428-5235  
memorychapel@comcast.net  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall

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“ It has been several years since I seen Mr. James. I guess we all get busy with life and such. We had Daylilies in common. We use to collaborate years ago when I first started. Nice man..... he is free of pain and in a better place..... I know you're tending to the gardens in heaven !

Donald Barrett - November 26, 2025 at 12:40 AM

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“ Your CNP Talent Acquisition Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of James Richard Townsend.



Your CNP Talent Acquisition Family - April 14, 2022 at 04:58 PM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of James Richard Townsend.



April 11, 2022 at 07:08 PM

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**Lynne Townsend Albert** - April 08, 2022 at 07:59 AM