



James Warren Wilkerson

November 4, 1943 - May 28, 2023

James Warren Wilkerson, 79, of Laurel went home to be with his savior Jesus Christ on Sunday, May 28, 2023 at Covington County Hospital in Collins after a seven-year long battle with Parkinson's. He was born on November 4, 1943 in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma to John and Caroline Wilkerson. James earned his high school diploma from Hattiesburg High School and earned a bachelor's degree in accounting from The University of Southern Mississippi. James was a partner at Horne, LLC until his retirement in 2017.

James met his wife of sixty years, Margaret, the two were married in 1963, and they had two sons, Ken in 1964 and Steve in 1970. James served as a member of Highland Baptist Church since 1975. He served over the years as a deacon, in the children's department, and on several committees. James deeply loved his Lord and reminded his grandchildren often to put Jesus first in all that they did. James enjoyed spending time with his wife, children, and grandchildren; taking trips to see the fall foliage of Gatlinburg; and racing on the slick track in Destin, Florida.

James was preceded in death by his son, Ken Wilkerson; parents, John and Caroline Wilkerson; and sister-in-law, Peggy Wilkerson.

James is survived by his wife, Margaret Wilkerson; brother, Fred Wilkerson; son, Steve (Cindy) Wilkerson; daughter-in-law, Wendy Wilkerson;

grandchildren, Lan McNair and Sam (Emily) Wilkerson; special grandchildren, Jonathan Hosey and Amy (Justin) Fontenot; great-grandchildren Coen Fontenot, Adeline Fontenot, and a soon to be born great-grandchild; other extended family; and many friends.

Visitation and service will be held Thursday, June 1, 2023 at Highland Baptist Church. Visitation will begin at 12 noon and the service will follow at 2:00 p.m. Interment will be at Ellisville Cemetery. Officiating will be Eric Estes and Tim Hubbard.

Pallbearers will be Joe Bigler, James Blankenship, Chuck Bridges, Guy Ellzey, Don Husbands, Don McDonald, Patrick Scoggin, and Blain Thatch.

Flowers may be sent to Highland Baptist Church or donations may be made to Gideons International or Highland Baptist Church.

To sign the online guest book, visit www.memorychapellaurel.com.

Cemetery Details

Ellisville Cemetery

Corner of Augusta Road and Hwy 29 South
Ellisville, MS 39437

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 1. 12:00 PM (CT)

Highland Baptist Church
2513 N 7th Avenue
Laurel, MS 39440

Service

JUN 1. 2:00 PM (CT)

Highland Baptist Church
2513 N 7th Avenue
Laurel, MS 39440

Tribute Wall

RB

“ Dear Margaret, Steve, and all your family: Many years ago (read 40) James was not only our CPA, but such a Godly example of husband and father. He always “shot straight from the hip” but always with kindness. Sorry we lost touch over the years after we moved from Laurel. We know he’s at home now, free of all pain and sorrow. Our prayers are with you in the days ahead.

*John and Roxie Bogart
Mt. Juliet, TN*

Roxie Bogaer - June 02, 2023 at 09:44 PM

DD

“ James was my mentor when I came to Laurel. Spent many hours with him on the audit trail.

DAVID DILL - June 01, 2023 at 07:59 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Warren Wilkerson.



May 31, 2023 at 04:20 PM

DH

“ *Dan and Beth Henson purchased the A Full Life for the family of James Warren Wilkerson.*



Dan and Beth Henson - May 31, 2023 at 08:31 AM

FC

“ *We always enjoyed our association with Jim as our CPA, always a gentleman, knowing his clients and their needs. He manifested his love for his Lord and his family. We shall be remembering Margaret and other family members during these days.*

Ralph and Fay Campbell

Fay C. Campbell - May 31, 2023 at 08:06 AM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of James Warren Wilkerson.*



May 30, 2023 at 02:47 PM