



James Ray Trentham

February 4, 1937 - April 18, 2017

James Ray "Jim" Trentham, 80, of Jackson, Missouri died Tuesday, April 18, 2017 at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in Saint Louis, Missouri.

He was born February 04, 1937 in St. Louis, MO to William and Sadie Abernathy Trentham .

He and Carrie Collier Trentham were married December 31, 1959 at St. Louis, Missouri.

Jim was with the Military Police while serving in the U. S. Marine Corps. He served the city of Jennings, MO 35 years, starting as patrolman and retiring as Chief of Police. During his service to the community of Jennings he also served as Fire Chief and Public Safety Director.

Jim was a committed Christian, serving as deacon while living in Jennings at Riverview Gardens Baptist Church for over 20 years, and while living in the Jackson area he served as deacon at Jackson First Baptist Church for more than 20 years.

He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend, and will be greatly missed. .

Survivors include his wife, Carrie Trentham, of Jackson, three sons; Kevin (Angela) Trentham, of Greenville, NC; Stephen (Dawn) Trentham, of St. Louis,

MO, and Patrick (Rachel) Trentham, of St. Louis, MO. one brother, Eugene Trentham, of Browning, MO; four grandchildren, Jonathan Trentham, Garrett Trentham, Hunter Trentham, and Tailor Barnes; and two great-grandchildren, Cora Louise Trentham, and Linken Barnes.

He was preceded in death by his parents, an infant brother, Billy Wayne Trentham, and his sister, Faye Lincoln.

Friends may call 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Friday, April 21, 2017 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau.

Funeral service will be at 11:00 AM Saturday, April 22, 2017 at First Baptist Church of Jackson in with the Rev. Randy Riley officiating.

Burial will be at Missouri Veteran's Cemetery in Bloomfield Monday, April 24 at 10:00 AM

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be given to Backstoppers, Gideon's International, or First Baptist Church Jackson

Cemetery Details

Missouri Veteran's Cemetery

7357 Stars and Stripes Way
Bloomfield, MO 63825

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **21**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Celebration of Life

APR **22**. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
926 Broadway
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Tribute Wall

LJ

“ Sorry to hear of Chief Jim Trentham passing, I worked for your dad several years during my career at Jennings Police Department & walking River Roads Shopping Center. He was man of his word. Glad he had the opportunity to enjoy retirement - remember him planning the construction of your mom and dads retirement home in Jackson. So many others have died shortly after their retirement.

I was unable to attend the services do to prior commitments, my prayers and thoughts are with your family. Chief was definitely very proud of his children.

*Lt.Colonel Rick Walsh, Retired
Jennings Police Department*

Lt.Colonel Richard Walsh, Retired JPD - April 22, 2017 at 05:16 PM

RS

“ James Trentham was a special person - along with his wife Carrie. We love them dearly and will always remember what a wonderful Christian he was. He enjoyed his garden and shared what he called "Arkansas Gold" with us (okra). Our Sunday School Class was blessed to have him and we deeply appreciate his military service and all those years he spent as a police officer. God bless his family. Truman and Ruth Smith

Ruth Smith - April 21, 2017 at 02:56 PM

RR

“ I was sorry to hear of the passing of Jim. He was a good man. I worked with Jim on the Jennings Police Dept. for many years. I always liked him! He was just a country boy like me. We would talk about hunting and both of us being raised on a farm. He was in the Marines and I was in the Navy. There has always been a bond, a brotherhood between Sailors and Marines. God Bless you! Rest in Peace Marine. Semper Fi..

Sgt. Rick Rapert
Jennings Police Dept. (Retired) Farmington, Mo.

Rick Rapert - April 21, 2017 at 01:38 PM

PT

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ptrentham - April 20, 2017 at 07:38 PM

VC

“ We have a lot of precious memories of Jim and Carrie and our many PHS Class of '57 Trips that we have taken. We started in 1997 when we were out of school for 40 years. And they continued for several more years. Carrie, you and your family, will be in our prayers. Due to other commitments we will not be able to attend the visitation and funeral. Love you.

Velda and Cecil Cook

velda and cecil cook - April 20, 2017 at 06:50 PM



“ *Peace Eternal Wreath was purchased for the family of James Ray Trentham.*



April 20, 2017 at 06:50 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Ray Trentham.*



April 20, 2017 at 12:58 PM



“ *My condolences and prayers to Mr. James Ray Trentham's family, God be with you through this difficult time.*

Abel Rodrigues - April 20, 2017 at 12:08 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James Ray Trentham.*



April 20, 2017 at 11:40 AM

GB

“ I did not have the chance to know Kevin's Dad, but give me the chance to write something, as a good christian I try to be, but I had the chance to spend some time with Kevin Trentham (working together), to know how Kevin really cares about his Family. At this bad times, when God decides and we must understand, being near and able to pray to keep the heads up and keeping the faith, is the minimum. Actually, I do not know what to write, because I think there is no what to write, but sharing Faith in God, at least this we can. Mr James Ray Trentham, God has a good reserved place. We are sure about that. Sorry about my bad English, but as a Brazilian, English is not my mother tongue. For the whole Family, All the best and let's pray.



Gilberto Dantas - Brazil - April 20, 2017 at 10:35 AM

KK

“ Kevin and Kim Kuenker purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Ray Trentham.



Kevin and Kim Kuenker - April 20, 2017 at 09:56 AM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of James Ray Trentham.



April 20, 2017 at 08:52 AM

PS

“ My condolences to you and your family on the passing of your father. It is never easy to lose a parent, no matter your age. I pray for your peace and comfort & may the departed soul rest in peace.

Puneet Singla - April 20, 2017 at 07:56 AM

GS

“ Gary Sumrell lit a candle in memory of James Ray Trentham



Gary Sumrell - April 20, 2017 at 03:37 AM

 Tim Reardon

“ I am truly sorry to hear of the loss of Chief James Trentham. Please accept our condolences and may our prayers help comfort you and hasten the journey of his soul to Heaven.

Growing up in Jennings myself and all of the kids in the neighborhood we were always welcome at the Trentham home.

Tim Reardon - April 19, 2017 at 07:41 PM

KT

Thanks Tim, we appreciate your kind words and prayers.

Kevin Trentham - April 19, 2017 at 10:13 PM

LP

We are saddened to learn about Jim's passing. We know it will be a painful loss. It was a privilege for us to meet and have some time with Jim and Carrie over the years since our children married. We are praying for each of you as you go through this time of loss and grief. Wendell and Laquita Powers, Angela's parents.

Laquita and Wendell Powers - April 20, 2017 at 12:43 AM

DP

My family and I are sorry for the loss of your dad. I'm glad I was able to spend a few minutes with you guys the other day. The fact that you all surrounded your father to care for him is a testament to how well your mom and dad raised you all. I have so many good memories of growing up and spending time with your family. I am blessed to call you friends. My family and have you all in our thoughts and prayers.

Dan Plumb - April 20, 2017 at 07:44 AM

PT

Thank you Dan, my dad always thought highly of you and your family...thank you for being a good friend.

Pat and Steve Trentham

ptrentham - April 20, 2017 at 09:44 AM

EB

Always enjoyed seeing and talking to Jim at family reunions and growing up with him in the same community as children. Love this whole family and they have been precious people in my life. Jim will be missed.

Eunice (Rhodes) Bruce----cousin (Uncle Dillard and Aunt Cora (Abernathy) Rhodes daughter

Eunice Bruce - April 20, 2017 at 03:22 PM