



Frank "Jesse" James

September 23, 1959 - January 12, 2023

Frankfort – Frank “Jesse” James, 63, of Frankfort, Kentucky, passed away peacefully at home on January 12, 2023. A celebration of life will be held at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at 4:00 p.m. A gathering will be held at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home from 3:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday.

Jesse was born in Versailles, Kentucky, to Edward James and Clara Bell Doss James. He was an avid outdoorsman who spent countless hours roaming the woods in search of his next Big Buck. The greatest joy in his life was being a doting father and grandfather, who lit up anytime he was near his grandbabies. He never met a stranger and would give the shirt off his back to help a friend in need. Throughout life he enjoyed many jobs where he made countless friends. He was a proud business owner who took pride in his work, always going above and beyond to serve those in need. In his spare time, Jesse enjoyed deer and turkey hunting, camping, fishing, a cold Bud Light, and the occasional “attitude adjustment.” Jesse lived a full life and will be sorely missed by anyone blessed with an opportunity to encounter him. As a family, we ask that you keep his memory alive with the countless laughs and stories he brought to us in his time on Earth.

He is survived by his children, Eddie James (Nikki) and Jessica James (Jarred); siblings, James Dennis, Johnny James, and Sharon Anderson; grandchildren, Ava and Jax James and Eleanor Rodgers.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his siblings, Gene

Dennis, Paul Dennis, Darrin James, and Junior Dennis.

Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Allen Tyson, Robert Southworth, Shorty Hopper, Terry Johnson, Dewey Willard, Johnny James, and Rickie Baker.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home & Crematory.

Previous Events

Gathering of Family and Friends

JAN 17. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Harrod Brothers Funeral Home
312 Washington Street
Frankfort, KY 40601
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<https://www.harrodbrothers.com>

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ *Frank "Jesse" James*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *So very sorry for your family's loss. Jesse was A great man, he loved to make everybody laugh and be happy..he is definitely loved and will be missed by many*

Dana Watson - January 17, 2023 at 12:30 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



AmyMarie Cunningham - January 16, 2023 at 08:12 PM



“ *65 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Harrod Brothers Funeral Home - January 16, 2023 at 09:49 AM

DL

“ My thoughts and Prayers are with the James Family. The loss of a father is never easy to handle. We just don't know how valuable dads advice is tell we don't have it. Hang tough this too shall pass.

Jesse was good to me over the years, first as parent of a player I coached, then as a friend, I knew him to be a reliable worker in his septic tank business. I could see in my time knowing him around 20 years, how he had worked to mellow out in his old age! He was proud of both his children and made sure that anyone in passing knew! He loved his grandkids and would light up when he seen them. I will miss getting the yearly deer season run down, and seeing Jesse from time to time on Friday nights. RIP

DENNIS LEDFORD - January 13, 2023 at 02:33 PM

JJ

Thanks Ledford! Our dad thought a lot of you.

Jess James - January 13, 2023 at 05:03 PM

JP

While I only knew him for a short 4 years working at the parks with John Hockensmith, he was a genuine good guy. We had a few good times after hours and verified the person he was. RIP friend.

joe palmore - January 13, 2023 at 07:32 PM

SS

Jesse was always there for me and my family. One of the best friend you could have wud give you the shirt off of his back to go and beyond helping anyone who was his friend. He was the best and I loved him as a great friend and he will be sadly missed RIP Jesse until we meet you again.

Shirley Stigers - January 13, 2023 at 08:43 PM

AS

Jesse I will never forget the great advice you gave me on my life & the way you always were there for me and my family. You were like an uncle to me that always new exactly what I needed to hear about advancing my life & career. You truly are missed. every time I Crack open a cold Bud light, & step back for an "attitude adjustment" you will be right there in my Heart. 🙏 R.I.P 🙏 may God bring your family omfortnin this Tough time.

Alex Stigers - January 13, 2023 at 08:49 PM

BD

I am very saddened to hear of the passing of who I consider a very influential part of my childhood and teen years growing up. I can fondly remember riding down Old Frankfort Pike to Rupp to all the great concerts, you actually learned me the way to Rupp Arena. That red Chevy Nova with the awesome Pioneer stereo system in it. (My love for music and loud music) came from those experiences. I always had to sit in the back seat between the two rear deck speakers and every time I got out of that car my ears where ringing. Not complaining though. The atmosphere in that car was always second to none. Sorry I hadn't seen you in awhile but I'll remember the last time I did. R.I.P Frank 'Jesse' James

Barry Devers - January 13, 2023 at 09:09 PM

JR

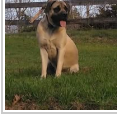
Jessie and i meant in the late 70 Dee's been friends every sends we work at the city streat department for many years he would call me doing deer season to help him set up his deer stand and we did he was there when my kids were born i for him went on many boat trips to lake cumbrunly four days trips had great time he would give lots of advice setting on his couch watching NASCAR and when i lost my son in 2020 at 34 i went to him and we talked for hours he was just my friend he was my brother i well miss my brother and are talk's and drinking a cold beer together rip my friend and brother Frank Jessie James till we meet again always your brother

Joe rodgers - January 13, 2023 at 10:31 PM

ZR

You all are in my thoughts and prayers i gtew up with jessie and johnny and all the rest we had fin together has kids he was always wise and very kind we have all lost a great person

Zora Richardson - January 14, 2023 at 01:53 PM



We lost a good man. He loved life and lived a good one. We will miss you Jesse

Wendy Puckett - January 15, 2023 at 04:44 AM

AB

Rip buddy I will miss u passing my house every day honking that horn on that septic truck Ill never forget bout the time that u helped me and my family when my grandfather died I'll make sure to keep ur deer and turkey hunting legacy going my thoughts and prayers are with ur family till next time rest easy buddy

Ashton banks - January 15, 2023 at 08:22 PM

TS

I left Frankfort for over 30 years and when I cam home Jesse was overwhelmed and told me how proud he was of me. Uncle Jesse was a class act and one of the best examples of a Man you could ever find. We all have faults but Jesse's heart was large and he wore it on his sleeve, full of love. I'm sorry we never got to take that hunting trip we talked about, I was always to busy. I'll not make that mistake again. I am going to miss you Jesse, thanks for being our friend.

Tom Shepard - January 16, 2023 at 12:39 PM

RS

I have know Jess 40+years he was a good friend who would do anything he could for you loved his children and grandchildren we lost a good man I'll miss you man !!!

robert southworth - January 17, 2023 at 10:11 AM