



Mr. James Grainger

April 16, 1927 - April 22, 2015

Mr. James Millard Grainger, better known to many as “Jay Bird,” passed away April 22, 2015, at age 88. He was born April 16, 1927 to the late Mr. Will and Mrs. Myrtle Grainger in Carrollton, Georgia. He was a United States Army Veteran having served in WWII from 1945 to 1947 while stationed in Germany. He was a long-time member of Tyus Baptist Church. He worked 40 years as a residential painter followed by 10 years at Southwire. After retiring from Southwire, he and his wife, Lois Grainger, worked together for Joyner Poultry for 17 years and always grew vegetables, which they generously shared with family and friends.

James was preceded in death by his parents, Will and Myrtle Grainger, brothers, Hugh Grainger, H.C. Grainger, and sister, Jewell Files. Survivors include his wife of 66 years, Lois Deese Grainger, his son, Donnie Grainger (Shelby), his daughter, Patti Murphy (Steve), his daughter, Alecia Ertzberger, his sister, Pat White (Jim), his grandchildren, Chad Grainger (Andrea), Scott Grainger (Amy), Jennifer Daniel (Randy), Jana Kidd (Chris), and his great-grandchildren, Kyle Grainger, Gage Grainger, Dustin Warren, Justin Warren, Rileigh Daniel, Jenna Daniel, Montana Finch, Madison Finch, Matthew Grainger, Haleigh Sheets, Brandon Sheets, C.J. Kidd, and Hunter Kidd. Funeral services will be on Friday, April 24, 2015, at Tyus Baptist Church at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. G.W. Burson and Rev. Justin Richards officiating. Chad Grainger, Scott Grainger, Steve Murphy, Randy Daniel, David Files and Chris Kidd will serve as pallbearers. Honorary pallbearers will be Jack Joyner, Lynn

Joyner, and Steve Lane. Interment will be at Tyus Baptist Church Cemetery with military honors.

Prior to the funeral services, his body will lie-in-state at the church from 1:00 pm till the funeral hour.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Thursday, April 23, 2015, from 5:00 until 8:00 p.m.

Cemetery Details

Tyus Baptist Cemetery

4514 Tyus-Carrollton Road
Carrollton, GA 30117

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **23**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rainwater Funeral Home
317 North Carroll Street
Bowdon, GA 30108
(770) 258-7239
info@rainwaterfuneralhome.com
<https://www.rainwaterfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

APR **24**. 2:00 PM (ET)

Tyus Baptist Church
4514 Tyus-Carrollton Road
Carrollton, GA 30117

Tribute Wall

TH

“ *Tabbie Huff lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Grainger*



Tabbie Huff - May 05, 2015 at 11:15 PM

PW

“ *i would like to offer my condolences to the family of James and also share a comforting scriptural promise that GOD is a refuge and strength in times of distress.(Psalms 46:1)*

P. Watts - April 28, 2015 at 07:03 AM

AW

“ *Andy West lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Grainger*



Andy West - April 27, 2015 at 05:12 PM

RC

“ Dear Donnie & Family,
We are so sorry to learn of your Father's passing and are remembering you in our thoughts and prayers. May God's loving arms hold you tighter and give you abundant comfort & peace during this most difficult time. We are never ready to lose one of our parents, but I can tell you the loss gets easier with time. You never forget them, but holding tightly to the promise of our Heavenly Father, that we can see them again, makes it hurt less and less through time.
Hugs & blessings,
Robby & Linda Copeland

Robby & Linda Copeland - April 25, 2015 at 04:22 PM

SC

“ Sheila Coffman lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Grainger



Sheila Coffman - April 23, 2015 at 03:16 PM

SC

Sorry for your loss. In God we will find strength.

Sheila Coffman - April 23, 2015 at 03:17 PM

KS

“ Our prayers go out to your family.
Jimmy&Kristin Strain



Kristin Strain - April 23, 2015 at 01:49 AM

PA

“ *Patty Akin lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Grainger*



Patty Akin - April 22, 2015 at 09:16 PM

CG

“ *Chad @ Andrea Grainger lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Grainger*



Chad @ Andrea Grainger - April 22, 2015 at 08:45 PM

CG

“ *Chad remembers Jay bird taking him fishing at West point and Horse Shoe Bin. He also remembers going to the creek with a 50 gallon drum to get water for the garden.*

Chad @ Andrea Grainger - April 22, 2015 at 08:44 PM