



## Jim Gipson

December 6, 1935 - April 20, 2016

Jim Gipson, 80, went to be with his Savior on Wednesday, April 20, 2016.

He was born on December 6, 1935 to Jack and Tillie Gipson. Jim married Linda Hawk on June 24, 1960. He lived and farmed for over 45 years in Lauratown. He loved to grow cotton and was one of the last cotton farmers in Lawrence County. During this time Jim was a board member and chairman of many farm related co-ops; Federal Land Bank of Pocahontas, North Central Arkansas and Farm Credit Bank of St. Louis. Jim was instrumental in forming what Farm Credit is today. He was a founding member of Farm Service Inc.; and also served on the Southern Farmers Co-op in Little Rock. After retiring Jim and Linda moved to Jonesboro.

Jim is preceded in death by his son, Little Jimmy; his parents; and a brother, Jerry Gipson.

Jim, affectionately known as Big Jim, leaves behind many who will miss him dearly; his wife Linda of 56 years; children, Lisa (Mike) Holder of Paragould, Joette (Wink) Phillips of Lauratown, Heath (Terri) Gipson of Walnut Ridge, Jason Gipson of Forrest City, Anna (Dillon) Watkins of Austin, TX; a brother, Jack Donald Gipson of Memphis; a sister, Carolyn Tranthum of Jonesboro; sixteen grandchildren, Rachel (Jason) Boyd, Zachary and Patrick Holder, Rebekah (Matt) Garner, Michael, James, Sarah, Josiah and Daniel Phillips,

Evan and Emma Gipson, Nolan, Luke and Matthew Ward, Evelyn and Even Watkins; and many other relatives and friends.

Bobby Shackelford officiating.

Honored to serve as pallbearers will be Michael Phillips, James Phillips, Zachary Holder, Nolan Ward, Evan Gipson and Robin Gosha.

Honorary Pallbearers will be Luke Ward, Matthew Ward, Patrick Holder, Daniel Phillips, Josiah Phillips and Evan Watkins.

The family asks that donations be made in Lieu of flowers to the Flo and Phil Jones Hospice House in Jonesboro.

# Cemetery Details

## Lawrence Memorial Park

Colonial Dr.  
Walnut Ridge, AR 72476

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **22**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bryan Funeral Home  
415 NW Texas St.  
Hoxie, AR 72433

## Funeral Service

APR **23**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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415 NW Texas St.  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Jim Gipson*

January 29, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *Linda and family, my condolence to you. After reading the obituary about Jim being a cotton farmer and me working at the Clover Bend gin it brought back many memories. Linda, your brother Dennis and were buddies during our school days.*

*Ronnie Ward  
Hampton, VA*

**Ronnie Ward** - April 27, 2016 at 04:48 PM



“ *To the Jim Gipson family my deepest sympathy to you all. I have so many wonderful memories of Jim and Linda, and your children. I babysit for your family in the late 60's and early 70's. Please know you are all in my prayers.*

*Beth Gray Webb*

**Beth Gray Webb** - April 22, 2016 at 08:52 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss my deepest condolences to you an your family. A.D. Finch*

**Adren Finch** - April 22, 2016 at 07:26 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jim Gipson.*



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April 22, 2016 at 03:39 PM



“ *Linda, I read about Jim's passing today and I am so sorry for your loss. I came by your house on a business trip before I retired and visited with Jim. He came out in the driveway to the car and I held out my hand to shake his, but instead, he gave me a big hug, which was a better expression of the meaning of our friendship. That evening I told my wife about it and how special our "chance" meeting meant to me. Jim is gone ...but not forgotten.  
Your Former Brother-in-law and Friend,  
Jerry Carman*

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**Jerry Carman** - April 22, 2016 at 03:33 PM



“ *Heath & family,*

*I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your father. I know how hard that is. Please know that you are in my prayers. I will be out of town for the visitation and funeral, but wanted you to know that I was thinking about you.*

*With deepest sympathy,*

*Joyce Arnold Davis*

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**Joyce Davis** - April 22, 2016 at 08:12 AM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Jim Gipson.*



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April 21, 2016 at 05:42 PM