



## Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.

October 7, 1941 - October 7, 2017

Memorial service for James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard, Jr., 76, will be held at 6:00 pm Wednesday, October 11, 2017, at the Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Beau Boyle will officiate with a private burial in Magnolia Cemetery.

Mr. Ballard died on Saturday, October 7, 2017 (his birthday). Born in Wilmington, NC, he was a son of the late James Edward and Vidalia Dixon Ballard. Jimmy graduated from Hartsville High School in 1959. He received his B.A. degree from Furman University, M.Div. degree from Southern Baptist Seminary, M.S. degree from the University of Tennessee, and M.A. degree from Cal State University. He was a teacher of deaf and hard of hearing students in Kershaw County for 15 years and also at the Wil Lou Gray Opportunity School. He was known for his love of the Furman Paladins, USC Gamecocks, and tap dancing. He wrote the "A Look Back" column for The Messenger for many years, recounting events 25 and 50 years ago.

He is survived by his aunt, Betty Reaves Westbrook; special friends, Tommy and Renee Hoffman Sims and their grandchildren, Mac and Tori Bond.

Memorials may be made to the charity of one's choice.

# Cemetery Details

## **Magnolia Cemetery**

140 South Cedar Lane  
Hartsville, SC 29550  
(843) 383-3004

# Tribute Wall



“ *Brown - Pennington - Atkins Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.*



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**Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home** - October 11, 2017 at 09:04 AM

MM

“ *Dear the family and friends of Mr. James Ballard, Jr.,*

*My husband, Mark and I are deeply saddened by the news of your loss. We pray that God will grant you the strength. Our most sincere condolences to you, your family and your friends.*

*Mr. Ballard was our former teacher at Georgia School for the Deaf (GSD) in 1980. He was one of the fun and goofiest and patience teachers. He was always kind to us. He treated us like his children. We will miss him dearly.*

*With deepest sympathy,  
Milinda and Mark McCall*

*P.S.*

*If you have his GSD memoir, you may donate them to the museum of the Georgia School for the Deaf Alumni Association (GSDAA). GSDAA has Facebook. Thank you!*

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**Milinda McCall** - October 24, 2017 at 03:47 PM

DW

“ *Danny & Pat Weaver lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.*



**Danny & Pat Weaver** - October 17, 2017 at 02:10 PM

DW

*May You rest in peace.*

**Danny & Pat Weaver** - October 17, 2017 at 02:11 PM

BC

“ *Rest in peace  
Ole friend  
"Friends may come and friends may go, but  
the ones who stay we all shall know."  
My condolences to family and friends.*



**Bruce Chavious** - October 14, 2017 at 10:06 PM

JT

“ *I was a classmate of Jimmy's at Furman where everyone knew him. He was then and continued to be an avid supporter of Furman athletics. Jimmy kept in touch with many of his classmates through the years. We shall all miss him. Judy Herring Timmons*

**Judy Herring Timmons** - October 13, 2017 at 05:23 PM

GO

“ *I've always looked forward to reading the News Column " A LOOK BACK" He will be missed by all who knew him. Hartsville has lost a legacy in such a great writer*

**Grady O'Neal** - October 11, 2017 at 04:53 PM

KJ

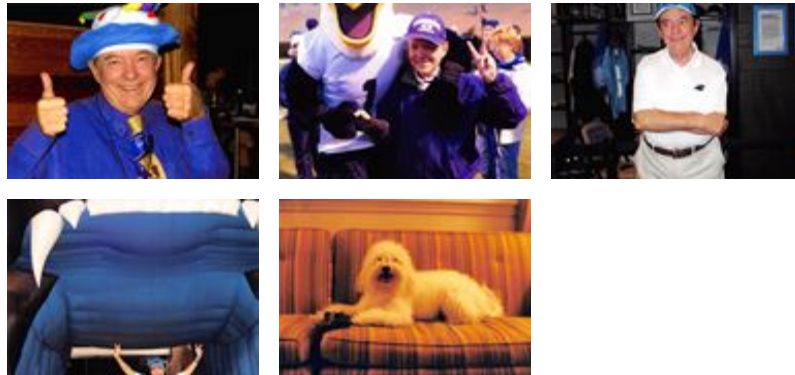
“ Karen Jeffords lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.



Karen Jeffords - October 11, 2017 at 03:39 PM



“ 39 files added to the album Life Tributes



Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home - October 11, 2017 at 08:00 AM

LL

“ Lori, Randy And Seth Lowe lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.



Lori, Randy and Seth Lowe - October 10, 2017 at 05:48 PM

CM

“ Charles Mathews lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.



Charles Mathews - October 10, 2017 at 01:38 PM

KJ

“ Kathi Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.



Kathi Johnson - October 10, 2017 at 10:42 AM

MN

“ Mike & Brenda Northcutt lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.



Mike & Brenda Northcutt - October 10, 2017 at 08:28 AM

 Linda Warren Coates

“ Linda Warren Coates lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.



Linda Warren Coates - October 10, 2017 at 03:13 AM

MW

“ *Meghan Watts lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.*



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**meghan watts** - October 09, 2017 at 10:47 PM

GG

“ *Such a kind person. Prayers for all.*



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**Geraldine Griggs** - October 09, 2017 at 10:34 PM

CS

“ *Cindy Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.*



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**Cindy Smith** - October 09, 2017 at 10:00 PM

SR

“ *Susan Reynolds lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.*



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**Susan Reynolds** - October 09, 2017 at 08:40 PM



“ *Mary Beth Carter Bennett lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.*



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**Mary Beth Carter Bennett** - October 09, 2017 at 03:34 PM



“ *Hunter Frazer lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.*



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**Hunter Frazer** - October 09, 2017 at 11:00 AM



“ *Jimmy Gregory lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.*



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**Jimmy Gregory** - October 09, 2017 at 08:24 AM



“ *Linda Warren Coates lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.*



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**Linda Warren Coates** - October 08, 2017 at 10:32 PM

HE

“ Heather Easterling lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.



Heather Easterling - October 08, 2017 at 10:25 PM

CS

“ Charles And Lavonde Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.



Charles and Lavonde Smith - October 08, 2017 at 07:53 PM

HL

“ Jimmy was a friend from earliest years in Hartsville. I watched my first TV program at his father's shop and my first world series game ( Johnny Mize hit a first inning homerun.). His dancing recitals we're always a treat. He was a kind soul and will be missed. Rest in peace, dear friend.

Hal Littleton - October 08, 2017 at 06:19 PM

LK

“ Linda Knorr lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.



Linda Knorr - October 08, 2017 at 04:36 PM

RS

“ *Rebecca Skinner lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.*



Rebecca Skinner - October 08, 2017 at 03:05 AM

AB

“ *Amy Blackburn lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.*



Amy Blackburn - October 07, 2017 at 11:32 PM

CP

“ *Carolyn Flowers Pait lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.*



Carolyn Flowers Pait - October 07, 2017 at 03:43 PM

JG

“ *Jimmy&Judy Gainey sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.*



Jimmy&Judy Gainey - October 07, 2017 at 02:35 PM

PO

“ *Phil Odom lit a candle in memory of Mr. James "Jimmy" Edward Ballard Jr.*



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**Phil Odom** - October 07, 2017 at 12:35 PM