



Mr. James Leroy Kelchner

September 4, 1949 - June 5, 2022

It is with deep sorrow that Mrs. Diane Dixon Kelchner announces the death of her beloved husband, James Leroy Kelchner, 72.

Mr. Kelchner entered into rest on Sunday, June 5, 2022. The Directors of Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home & Crematory are caring for the family.

A funeral service to honor his life will be held at 11 o'clock on Thursday, June 9, 2022, at Fourth Street Baptist Church. The Rev. Kenny Lynch will officiate, and the family will receive friends immediately following the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in his honor to the local animal shelter of one's choosing.

He was born on September 4, 1949, at Byerly Hospital in Hartsville, SC, the son of the late Amos B. Kelchner, Sr., and the late Naomi Lake Kelchner. He worked in the construction industry until 1993, when he began working with his wife at her business, K & M Produce, selling produce in Myrtle Beach, SC.

He is survived by his loving wife, Diane Dixon Kelchner of Hartsville, SC; daughters, Lynn (Christian) Thurman of Hartsville, SC, Angela McElveen of Hartsville, SC; granddaughter, Sarah Polson of Hartsville, SC; great-granddaughter, Paris Robinson; brother, Elwood Kelchner of Hartsville, SC;

special niece, Christy (Al) Gilliam of Columbia, SC; sisters-in-law, Cathy Rundell of Hartsville, SC, Doretta (Gary) Brown of Burlington, IA; special friends, Donna Outlaw and her family. He loved his sweet kitty, Peety Louise, who was his constant companion.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his stepfather, Toby Dority; brothers, William Kelchner, Amos Kelchner Jr., Charles Kelchner; sister, Marie Anderson.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUN 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

Fourth Street Baptist Church
501 S 4th Street
Hartsville, SC

Tribute Wall



“ *Brown - Pennington - Atkins Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home - June 08, 2022 at 12:58 PM

LR

I have no words , my heart hurts for the family and broken that my friend of 30 years is gone. In the same breath I'm rejoicing that kelcho is in Jesus presence and the gates of heaven is wide open to great him. I'll miss him .

Laurie Rutrough - June 08, 2022 at 08:00 PM

EB

My prayers for the family. I know he will be missed by all!!

Ellen Burcham - June 09, 2022 at 01:39 PM

SM

“ *Shirley, William And Anna Mozingo lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



Shirley, William and Anna Mozingo - June 13, 2022 at 02:06 PM

SM

Shirley, William & Anna Mozingo

Shirley, William and Anna Mozingo - June 13, 2022 at 02:07 PM

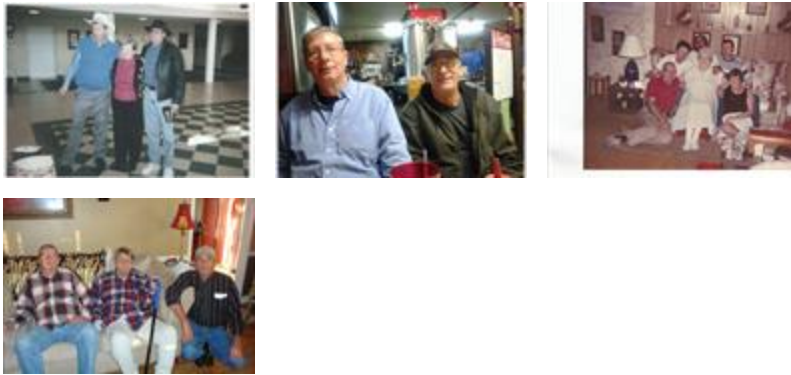
PF

“ Diane I am so sorry to hear about James. If there's anything I can do for you please let me know. Patricia Gainey

Patricia Franklin - June 11, 2022 at 11:16 AM

WK

“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



william Kelchner - June 09, 2022 at 09:24 PM

AK

“ 3 files added to the album Life Tributes



Arty Kelchner - June 09, 2022 at 09:10 PM

AK

“ Arty Kelchner lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner



arty kelchner - June 09, 2022 at 08:47 PM

JS

“ *Elwood, I am so sorry to hear about James. Keeping you and the family in prayer! Janice...Deut.31:6*

Janice Brigman Smith - June 09, 2022 at 08:21 PM

BB

“ *Beverly Byrd lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



Beverly Byrd - June 09, 2022 at 01:37 PM

JW

“ *Sincere condolences to the family. Good people. RIP. Prayers and positive thoughts are sent for all.*

Jennifer Wattenbarger - June 09, 2022 at 12:12 PM

SC

“ *Suzanne Cooke lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



Suzanne Cooke - June 09, 2022 at 07:27 AM



“ *Phyllis Driggers Braddock lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



Phyllis Driggers Braddock - June 09, 2022 at 01:43 AM



“ *Phyllis Driggers Braddock sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



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Phyllis Driggers Braddock - June 09, 2022 at 01:43 AM



“ *We will so miss him, in so many ways. He had a Heart of Gold. Was so wonderful to all that he knew. We will so be Praying for you, Butter Bean and all of your Family. Jimmy n Tami.*

Tami Smith - June 09, 2022 at 12:07 AM



“ Sorry to hear of James’ passing. He was an old friend. We drove hundreds of miles around the Dixie Pig and the Rainbow.



David Jordan - June 09, 2022 at 12:04 AM

DS

“ David & Gloria Shoemake sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner



David & Gloria Shoemake - June 08, 2022 at 10:24 PM

JB

“ Joey Bunch lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner



Joey Bunch - June 08, 2022 at 08:00 PM

JC

“ Jimmy Cross lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner



Jimmy Cross - June 08, 2022 at 04:11 PM

JL

“ I have known James for years & I always enjoyed his company. James was a GOOD MAN . I will miss seeing him around. I ask for comfort to the family in this dark time. RIP my friend .
Mel Lloyd

Jennings M Lloyd - June 08, 2022 at 02:59 PM

MH

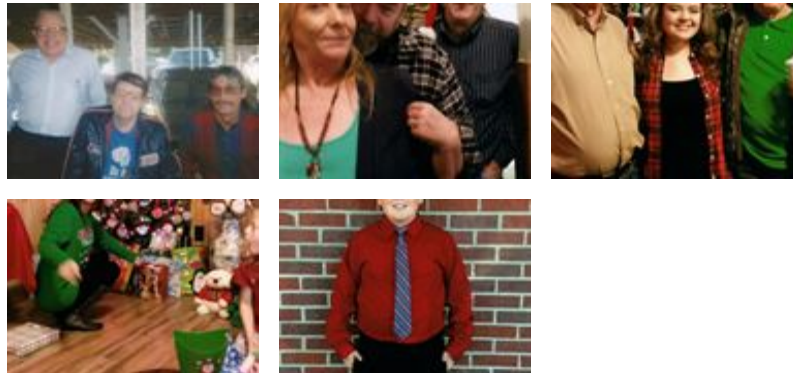
“ Michael, said to tell you he sure did hate to hear of James passing. He said to tell you that he will miss James and he loves you



Michael Howard - June 08, 2022 at 01:11 PM



“ 55 files added to the album Life Tributes



Brown-Pennington-Atkins Funeral Home - June 08, 2022 at 12:58 PM

DE

“ Diane I am so sorry to hear about James.
Just call me if you need to talk.



Debbie - June 08, 2022 at 09:10 AM

NP

“ NORTHSIDE AUTO PARTS lit a candle in
memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner



NORTHSIDE AUTO PARTS - June 08, 2022 at 08:53 AM

TR

“ Timmy Bell/Desiree Reiff lit a candle in
memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner



Timmy Bell/Desiree Reiff - June 08, 2022 at 07:26 AM

TK

“ Trancy King lit a candle in memory of Mr.
James Leroy Kelchner



Trancy King - June 08, 2022 at 07:04 AM

BM

“ *Brenda Y. Munm lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



Brenda Y. Munm - June 08, 2022 at 01:09 AM

SK

“ *Sue Kelchner lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



Sue Kelchner - June 07, 2022 at 11:14 PM

AM

“ *James leory kelchner was a good and loving man who was a good husband to my mom Diane kelchner he love working on the truck and love watch the races*



Angela mcelveen - June 07, 2022 at 07:37 PM

JS

“ *J.R. Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



J.R. Smith - June 07, 2022 at 07:23 PM

AK

“ Allison Kelchner lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner



allison kelchner - June 07, 2022 at 06:56 PM

JS

“ Jean Stratton lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner



Jean Stratton - June 07, 2022 at 06:12 PM

JG

“ Johnny And Rhonda Ghost lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner



Johnny and Rhonda Ghost - June 07, 2022 at 05:20 PM

CN

“ C J And Janice Nolan lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner



c j and Janice Nolan - June 07, 2022 at 05:10 PM

CN

James was such a sweet man. Always a smile for you. Rest high James we will miss you ❤️❤️

c j and Janice Nolan - June 07, 2022 at 05:12 PM

JV

“ *Johnny Valentine lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



Johnny Valentine - June 07, 2022 at 04:32 PM

AM

“ *Annette Moore lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



Annette moore - June 07, 2022 at 04:25 PM

JT

“ *Joel & Joey Tiller*



Joel & Joey Tiller - June 07, 2022 at 04:23 PM

GC

“ *Geraldine Atkinson Cox lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



Geraldine Atkinson Cox - June 07, 2022 at 04:08 PM



“ *So very sorry really enjoyed getting to know Mr James praying for you all
God Bless*



Crystal Minnehan - June 07, 2022 at 04:05 PM

LW

“ *Luanne White lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



Luanne White - June 07, 2022 at 03:34 PM

BY

“ *We will miss seeing you James! Prayers for the family from the Yorks!*



Brett \$ Sandy York - June 07, 2022 at 03:24 PM

DD

“ *Darlene Davis lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



Darlene Davis - June 07, 2022 at 03:09 PM

CB

“ *Cherita Barefoot lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



Cherita Barefoot - June 07, 2022 at 03:00 PM

RM

“ *RIP my friend Fly high with the angles*

Roger S. McElveen - June 07, 2022 at 02:58 PM

DR

“ *James was so kind to all of his customers and such a good man. Diane, I hope that he has found Janet and Bill in their newcomers group and they are enjoying the good life now*❤️.

Debi and Gary Randolph - June 07, 2022 at 02:50 PM

JP

“ *Sending prayers and lots of love and hugs* ❤️



Jessica Polson - June 07, 2022 at 02:31 PM

BW

“ *My prayers are with y'all. James was a great man and friend to all that knew him. I love you Diane and I am here for y'all.*



Brenda Watford - June 07, 2022 at 02:28 PM

HW

“ *So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family.*

Eddie & Heidi Walters



Heidi Walters - June 07, 2022 at 02:17 PM

LF

“ *LANCE AND KIM FUNDERBURK lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Leroy Kelchner*



LANCE AND KIM FUNDERBURK - June 07, 2022 at 02:13 PM