



Gerald "Jerry" Ernie Chism

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Bridgeport Location: 256-495-2975, 1552 C.R. 94, Bridgeport, AL35740

Jerry Chism
November 11, 1946 ~ January 1, 2015
Bridgeport, AL

Gerald "Jerry" Ernie Chism, 68 of Bridgeport, AL, died January 1, 2015. "Jerry" was the son of Elmo and Velma Jordan Chism born November 11, 1956 in Cook Co. Illinois. He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. "Jerry" was a member of Masonic Lodge and Eastern Star of Jasper, TN, VFW and a former member of Bridgeport City Board and active member of the Utility Board. He was of the Baptist faith. He had worked at Siskin Steel as a steel cutter.

Mr. Chism was preceded in death by his father Elmo Chism; sister Charleen Chism; mother-in-law Beatrice Bain; aunt Louise Vinzant.

Survivors include his mother Velma Jordan Chism of Bridgeport; wife Janice Baine Chism of Bridgeport; sister Wilma Cook; brother Wayne (Emma) Chism; uncle Dub Vinzant of Scottsboro, AL; special nieces and nephews: Judy Crownover, Lisa Delaney, Karen Suggs, John Finney, Jr. Jeff Roland, Jimmy and Jeff Crownover; several other nieces, nephews, relatives and friends

Visitation will be Friday 5-9 PM CT, Saturday 10 AM - 9 PM CT at Rudder Funeral Home in Bridgeport, AL. The funeral service will be Sunday, January 4, at 2 PM CT at the funeral home chapel officiated by Bro. David Smith. Military Honors provided by Sequatchie Valley Honor Guard. Interment will be in Pisgah Cemetery. www.rudderfuneralhomes.com.



Events


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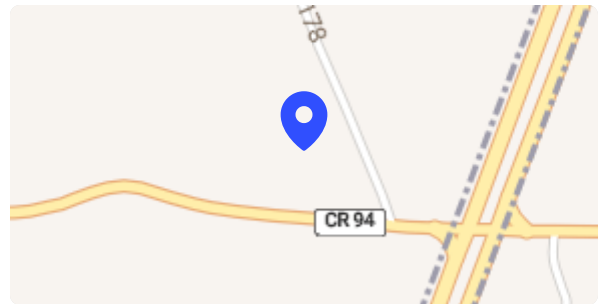
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First Visitation

 **Friday**, January 2, 2015

 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM CT


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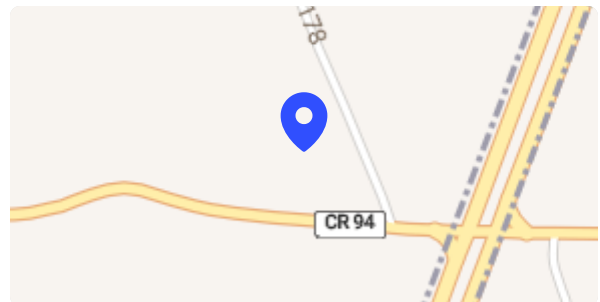


Second Visitation


 **Saturday**, January 3, 2015


 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM CT


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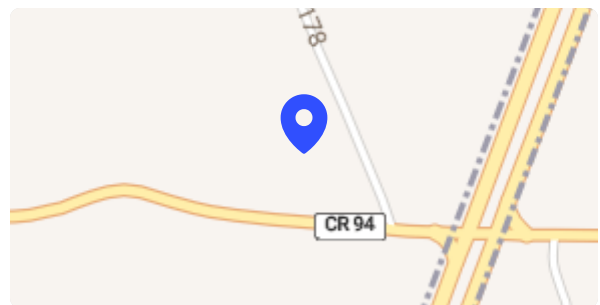


Funeral Service

 **Sunday**, January 4, 2015

 2:00 PM CT

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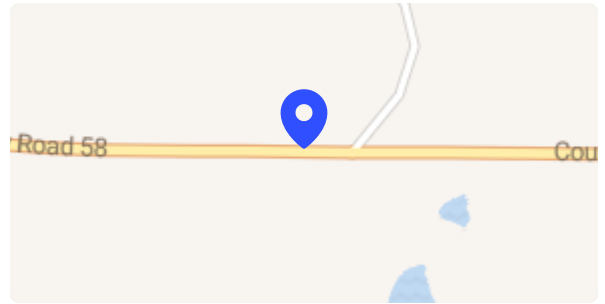
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Cemetery Details



Pisgah Cemetery

Hwy 58, Pisgah AL 35765





Tribute Wall

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Polly Clark posted:

I had the privilege of meeting Jerry thru work and getting to see him daily there. But getting to know him personally thru the love of sharing old cars. My husband and I hung out with him a many a times with the Memory Lane Cruisers. He had an awesome man cave that he happily shared with his friends. He is truly missed.

February 4 at 8:35 AM



K posted:

I am so very sorry for your loss. The Bible makes this comforting promise: "Jehovah is close to the brokenhearted, he saves those who are crushed in spirit." (Psalm 34:18) It also assures us: "Throw your burden on Jehovah, and he will sustain you." (Psalm 55:22) May these thoughts bring you a measure of comfort at this difficult time.

January 5 at 6:42 AM



Kathy Martin posted:

Heaven has gained one sweet angel, our friend Jerry. I had the honor of knowing Jerry 44 years and never knew another man so devoted to his wife (Jan) and mother in law (Aunt Bea). Jerry was sweet, kind, generous, and helpful He will be greatly missed by us. Kathy and Charlie Martin.

January 3 at 6:06 AM



Sheila Thrift Mcneeley posted:

As a young girl my Mom (Bonnie Thrift) and Jerry were on the Bicentennial committee raising funds to build the small memorial park by the train station. Jerry took to us girls as we took to him and Janice. We stayed with them many weekends just hanging out. Jerry was so loving and kind, he had the most wonderful dimples, and a smile that made his eyes sparkle! When you got that smile there were no worries because you had him wrapped tight and he wasn't about to tell us NO on anything we wanted to do! Sharon and I were in Bridgeport in September and tried to visit but never managed to see him. I sent messages by Angel on a regular basis to tell him how much we loved them both. Please know that you are all in our thoughts and prayers. Love Sheila

January 3 at 2:35 AM



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KH

Katrice Henry posted:

It is hard to describe a great man. He was always there when you needed him. He was funny, serious and a straight up person. He was a special person to our family and will be missed! RIP Jerry!

January 2 at 12:02 PM

MR

Michael Rash posted:

Jerry was a great friend and will be missed very much, thanks for all the great memories. Michael Rash RIP!

January 2 at 6:56 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Gerald "Jerry" by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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