



Jimmy Otho Farmer

April 2, 1940 - May 9, 2016

Jimmy Otho Farmer, age 76, of Altoona, passed away Monday, May 9, 2016 in Altoona, Kansas. Jim was born on April 2, 1940 in the telephone office of Liberty, Kansas. He was the son of Otho "Hap" Monroe and Margaret Anita (Kriebel) Farmer.

On May 30, 1965 he was united in marriage to Marilyn Sue Nelson at the Vilas Lutheran Church in Wilson County, Kansas. She survives him at their home.

Jim graduated from high school in Tahlequah, OK and went on to earn his Master's Degree from Northeastern State University in Tahlequah. He taught shop and 6th grade for 27 years at both Altoona-Midway and Thayer schools. From 1966 to 1970, Jim served his country in the United States Air Force at Chanute Air Force Base in Rantoul, IL, Altus Air Force Base in Altus, OK, and Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene, TX.

Jim was a member, longtime Deacon and Sunday School teacher at the First Baptist Church in Chanute, KS. He was also a member of Gideons International and a 50 - year member of the Masonic Order of Benedict, KS. Jim and his wife, Marilyn, enjoyed traveling and visited 74 countries during his life. In his spare time, he enjoyed woodworking and gardening.

Jim is survived by:

Wife:

Marilyn Farmer of their home

Sons:

Eric James Farmer of Willoughby, OH

Derick Nelson Farmer and wife Chelsea of Overland Park, KS

Daughters:

Kellee Arden Farmer and husband James Bangert of Vienna, Austria

Karree Ardith Farmer of Denver, CO

Sister:

Janice Coldwell and husband Jim of Broken Arrow, OK

Brothers:

Johnny Farmer of Tulsa, OK

Samuel Farmer and wife Sandra of Coweta, OK

Brother in Law:

Keith Nelson and wife Marilyn of Orland Park, IL

Jim was preceded in death by his parents and a son, Aaron Matthew Farmer.

A Memorial Service will be held at the First Baptist Church Good News Center in Chanute on Saturday, May 14, 2016 at 10:30 AM. Visitation will be on Friday, May 13, 2016 from 6-8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Chanute. Interment will be at the Vilas Bethel Cemetery, rural Chanute, KS. Online condolences may be left at: www.countrysidefh.com. In lieu of flowers, memorials have been suggested to the First Baptist Church or Gideons International and may be left with or mailed to the funeral home. Services have been entrusted to: Countryside Funeral Home 101 N. Highland, Chanute, KS 66720.

Cemetery Details

Vilas Bethel Cemetery

2000 Rd.
Chanute, KS

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 13. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church Chanute
118 N. Forest
Chanute, KS 66720

Memorial Service

MAY 14. 10:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

RM

“ I am so sorry for your loss

Roger Milligan

Roger Milligan - May 23, 2016 at 05:34 PM

MJ

“ Remembering you and your family during this time. Jim lived a life of love, encouragement and wisdom and will be greatly missed. We love you and are praying for peace and strength! ~Michelle & Jonathon Johnson



Michelle Johnson - May 14, 2016 at 09:09 AM

KA

“ Kelly Aerospace purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Jimmy Otho Farmer.



Kelly Aerospace - May 13, 2016 at 03:10 PM

GW

“ I grew up with Jim out in the country in Tahlequah. My thoughts and prayers are with all the family at this time. Geraldean (Bryan) Warren.

Gerry Warren - May 13, 2016 at 01:48 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Jimmy Otho Farmer.*



May 13, 2016 at 12:44 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jimmy Otho Farmer.*



May 13, 2016 at 11:31 AM



“ *Mr. Farmer was my shop teacher at Thayer High School. Great teacher and a great human being. He showed us you don't have to be serious all the time to be able to learn. R.I.P my friend. Sincerely, Steve Cushman*

Steve Cushman - May 13, 2016 at 11:28 AM



“ *Jen Bosworth and Milcho Uzunov purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Jimmy Otho Farmer.*



Jen Bosworth and Milcho Uzunov - May 12, 2016 at 08:51 PM

JC

“ I will always miss my big brother. Life will never be quite the same without you. Love you.... from you baby sister Janny.



janice Coldwell - May 12, 2016 at 08:17 PM

 Karen Nelson

“ I'm very sorry to hear about your loss. I'll always remember Mr. Farmer - the shop teacher. I never understood how he could be so calm around all of use using electric saws for the first time. Karen NELson

Karen Nelson - May 12, 2016 at 12:19 PM

MC

“ We extend our deepest sympathy to the Farmer family. We are so very sad. Jimmy was a neat gentleman. We really enjoyed the travel program's that we were privileged to hear. We are keeping you in our thoughts and prayers. Love, Jeanice & Maynard Cress, Humboldt

Maynard & Jeanicie Cress - May 12, 2016 at 10:57 AM

JB

“ I will never forget the good times in Mr. Farmer's shop class in middle school...and boy was I a challenge for him, I couldn't measure, cut or glue a thing LOL, but he made it fun and I always looked forward to his smiling face and humor. Sending thoughts and prayers to the family. Jill (Class of 1986 Altoona-Midway).

Jill Bench - May 12, 2016 at 08:37 AM

CH

Totally agree Jill!

Cindy Hontz - May 12, 2016 at 07:16 PM

SH

“ *My sympathy to all the family. My father was a friend of Haps from childhood days, and the families kept in touch for many, many years. (I live on the family farm near Liberty.) Dad and Mom took us to Talequah to visit when we were high school age, and we shared a wonderful few days together. We four sisters still talk about it to this day. May you all be filled with wonderful memories and know you are surrounded by love.*

With fond memories & sympathy, Sally (Price) Holliday

Sally Holliday - May 12, 2016 at 07:49 AM

MR

“ *Jim was such a wonderful man. It always has amazed me at all the people you guys know, and the places you have been, You are amazing people and no matter where you go people know of you both. I have talked to so many that Jim has taught and their always seems to be good praise. Jim will be truly missed. RIP Jim Farmer*

Marlene Rettmann - May 12, 2016 at 07:17 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Jimmy Otho Farmer.*



May 12, 2016 at 04:05 AM

DK

“ *My deepest sympathy to you Marilyn and your family. Though I've never met you, I've heard so many stories about your travels and fun times from my friend Alana Ayers. May God be with you in these difficult times. Prayers and Aloha from Hawaii*
Dennis Kitsman

Dennis Kitsman - May 12, 2016 at 12:28 AM

RF

“ *I was blessed to be one of his students. Such a wonderful man. He will be greatly missed. Thinking of you all.*



Ronda Frost - May 11, 2016 at 11:09 PM

BB

“ *Such a very fine man, too soon gone, but long remembered by his family, his many friends and former students. Condolences to his family and friends, RIP Jim. You lived your life well, with honor and distinction.*

Bill Black - May 11, 2016 at 10:39 PM



“ *Spring Has Sprung Mixed Basket was purchased for the family of Jimmy Otho Farmer.*



May 11, 2016 at 09:18 PM

CH

“ I enjoyed shop class and having Mr. Farmer as my teacher, he was my favorite in middle school, I hated leaving middle school, because I wouldn't have his class anymore. I remember taking the test to identify the tools and I always passed it, now I don't remember all the tools. He will be missed and I wished I could make it to the funeral, but you will be in my thoughts and prayers Farmer family! What a great teacher!

Cindy Hontz - May 11, 2016 at 08:34 PM



“ We are so saddened to hear of Mr. Farmer's passing. He was a wonderful man and will be missed. We will be praying for your family.

Jenny Georgen-Huber - May 11, 2016 at 08:22 PM

JM

“ So many great memories to choose from to share here.....Jim & Marilyn you were both a big BIG part of my growing up in Altoona. Not only was Jim my shop teacher in 7th & 8th grade at A-M MS, Marilyn you were our 4-H leader and all of your kids were like little sisters and additional brothers to me- we grew up as family! I owe a lot to you all for the things I've learned and been able to apply in my life. What stands out the most to me is that I knew you were both "best friends" with my parents and how special that friendship has grown through the years. You are still like part of the family! My heart is breaking...for your loss and I pray that you'll find comfort in memories and peace in knowing he is with our Lord in Heaven, maybe even playing cards with my Dad and Bill Stevens. :-)
Much love, hugs and prayers to you all.
Jayne

Jayne Whitson Moeller - May 11, 2016 at 05:54 PM