



James Merrill Lashley Jr

October 17, 1951 - January 17, 2026

James Lashley, better known as Jimmy, Coach Jim or Papa Jim, passed away on

Friday, January 16 at Huntsville Hospital. He was 74 years old.

Jim was born and raised in Talladega, AL. He moved to Guntersville in 1980 to work for

the Guntersville Electric Board. It was in Guntersville where he met Ginger Moore and

they were married in 1984. He worked throughout the Southeast as a lineman and

retired after thirty-three years with Cullman Electric Cooperative in 2017.

He loved all sports and coached baseball through the Guntersville Recreation Department for over twenty years. Jim especially loved watching his children and

grandchildren play sports. He was also a huge Alabama football fan and enjoyed

attending games as a faithful fan.

Jim was a NHRA drag racer for many years in the "Stock" category. He won both

Regional and National titles. Some of his most prized possessions were his NHRA

"Wally's" trophies from competition wins. His other hobbies included building and re-

building model trains, an interest he picked up from his father. He was the proudest of his large railroad display at his home, something that drew lots of interest from his grandchildren.

Jim is survived by Ginger, his sons, Jason Moore (Jennifer), Trey Lashley (Tiffany), and his daughter, Mallory Johns (Brook), his grandchildren, Kendall and Jackson Moore, Mila Lashley and Steely and Sweeny Johns. He is also survived by his mother, Ruth, of Talladega, and his brother, Bobby (Rebecca) of Woodstock, GA, a brother-in-law, Roger Mahan, a sister-in-law, Donna Lashley, a nephew, Morgan Lashley and a niece, Madeline Lashley, and his beloved pets.

Jim was preceded in death, by his father, James Merril Lashley, Sr. and his brother, Larry Lashley, both of Talladega.

The family is grateful for the special care he received over the years from his friends, Dr.

John Boggess, Donna McCoy and Carolyn Mason, and the nurses and staff at Encompass in Huntsville, AL.

Guntersville Memorial Chapel is directing the service, which will be held on Friday,

January 23 rd . The Pallbearers will be Jason Moore, Trey Lashley, Brook Johns, Jackson

Moore, Morgan Lashley and Philip Mayer. Flowers accepted or donations in Jim's honor

can be sent to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital at 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis,

TN 38105, or by phone to 1-800-805-5856.

Cemetery Details

Crestview Cemetery

Guntersville, AL

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 23. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Guntersville Memorial Chapel
1601 Henry Street
Guntersville, AL 35976
(256) 582-7931
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Funeral Service

JAN 23. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Met Jimmy at the US Nationals in 1977. We both raced 1971 Buick GS in NHRA Stock Eliminator. Worked on his car and raced together.*
He was the best man at our wedding and John was an usher at he and Ginger's wedding.
We were in Guntersville in 1991 and stopped and visited which was the last time that we saw each other.
John and Cyndi Osborne

john osborne - February 06 at 10:30 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James Merrill Lashley Jr.*



January 22 at 03:09 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Merrill Lashley Jr.*



January 21 at 04:40 PM

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“ Tyler Chambers & Jordan Walker planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Merril Lashley Jr.

Tyler Chambers & Jordan Walker - January 21 at 04:40 PM

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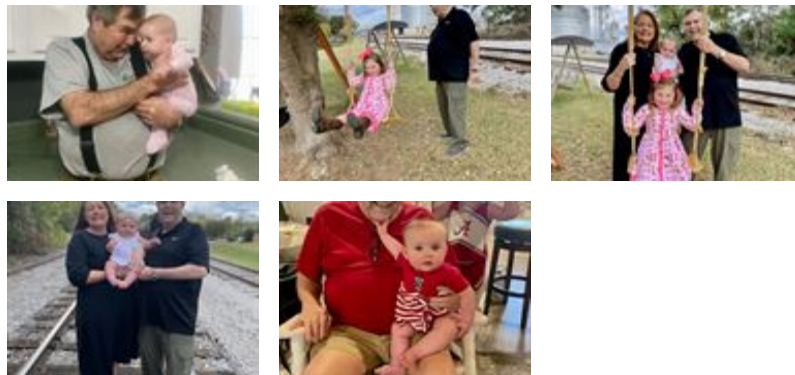
“ Corey Tittle & Family purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of James Merril Lashley Jr.



Corey Tittle & Family - January 21 at 01:19 PM



“ 166 files added to the album Life Tributes



Guntersville Memorial Chapel & Crematory - January 21 at 12:57 PM