



Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison

August 20, 1928 - October 17, 2018

Funeral services for Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison, 90, of Henderson, will be at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, October 20, 2018 at Southside Baptist Church with Rev. Jack Maddox and Rev. Mike Ledbetter officiating. Interment will follow at Ebenezer Cemetery under the direction of Crawford-A. Crim Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends from 1:00 p.m. to service time on Saturday at Southside Baptist Church.

Mr. Tennison passed away October 17, 2018, at Christus Trinity Mother Frances in Tyler. He was born August 20, 1928 in Cherokee County to the late James and Grace Wornick Tennison. Mr. Tennison served his country in the United States Army Air Force. He retired from the City of Henderson where he worked as the Water and Sewer Department Superintendent for 28 years. He also worked as the Director of Public Works in Overton for some time. He served as a Rusk County Sheriff Deputy for ten years. He was the President of Rusk County Trailriders, a charter member of the Henderson Rescue Unit, and a volunteer fireman. He was a member of Southside Baptist Church. He had a passion for horses and bird hunting. But his greatest love was his family.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Grace Tennison; daughter, Sherry Switala; brother, Buck Tennison; and sisters, Faye Williams, Vivian Hamilton, Frances Tillison, and Rubie Baxter.

Survivors include: his wife, Mary Tennison of Henderson; sons, David Tennison and wife DeAnne of Tyler, Gary Tennison of Henderson; daughter, Diana Burns and husband Phillip of Tyler; brothers, Graham Tennison of New Summerfield, Vester Tennison of Troup; nine grandchildren, Amy Blanton, Taylor Tennison, Casey Wood, Elyse Manor, Emilie Gardiner, Tessa Martinez, Alicia Davis, Dylan Tennison, and Brenli Tennison; and 12 great-grandchildren along with a host of other family and friends.

Pallbearers will be Mark Hunt, Damon Bassett, Jace London, Craig Tennison, Chuck

Towe, Brody Blanton, and Dylan Tennison. Honorary pallbearers will be Debs Hunt, Earl Hudson, Jimmy Richardson, George Cooper, Bob Plummer, and Don Cooper.

Words of comfort may be shared with the family at www.crawfordacrim.com.

Cemetery Details

Ebenezer Cemetery

FM 3310
Henderson, TX

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 20. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Southside Baptist Church
1801 Old Nacogdoches Rd
Henderson, TX 75654

Service

OCT 20. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Henderson, TX 75654

Tribute Wall



“ *Crawford A.Crim Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison*



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - October 19, 2018 at 11:35 AM

SK

Such a sweet tribute. Prayers for the family.

sherri kurecka - October 19, 2018 at 09:59 PM



So sorry for your loss, he was a special friend. I know Paul would be there if he could. God bless. Charlotte smith

Charlotte Smith - October 20, 2018 at 09:51 AM

PP

“ *Beverly...he was so proud of you becoming a pilot...so sorry for your loss. Pud Patterson*

pud patterson - November 11, 2018 at 09:01 AM

PP

“ *Pud Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison*



pud patterson - November 11, 2018 at 08:00 AM

DK

“ *Dianna & David Kelley lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison*



Dianna & David Kelley - October 27, 2018 at 01:52 AM

BH

“ Brent Hale lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William
"J.W." Tennison



Brent Hale - October 24, 2018 at 07:09 AM

CG

“ Candy Grant lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William
"J.W." Tennison



Candy Grant - October 21, 2018 at 12:22 PM

PP

“ So sorry about JW...he was a favorite of mine..I was out of town for the service,
and just got back in time to read about his passing...sincere condolences to his
family. Regards, Pud Patterson

Pud Patterson - October 20, 2018 at 03:59 PM

PP

“ Pud Patterson lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William
"J.W." Tennison



Pud Patterson - October 20, 2018 at 03:57 PM



“ Donna Aaron lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William
"J.W." Tennison



Donna Aaron - October 20, 2018 at 11:36 AM

VD

“ Vicki Dowmont lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Vicki Dowmont - October 20, 2018 at 11:07 AM

PC

“ David and DeAnne, I am so sorry for your loss. Praying you find comfort in your time of grief. Pam Dorsey Combs

Pamela Combs - October 19, 2018 at 10:17 PM

GM

“ My thoughts and prayers for the Tennison family, had the privilege of meeting JW when I worked for the City, enjoyed stopping by and visiting with him, good man, RIP JW, never to be forgotten.



Gregg Maples - October 19, 2018 at 04:16 PM

BH

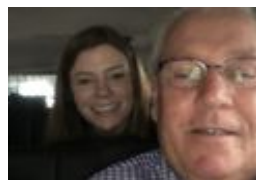
“ Bob & Sue Henderson lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Bob & Sue Henderson - October 19, 2018 at 02:19 PM



“ 6 files added to the album LifeTributes



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - October 19, 2018 at 12:56 PM

TH

“ Terrie L Harman lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Terrie L Harman - October 19, 2018 at 11:59 AM

KH

“ Kurt Hunt lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Kurt Hunt - October 19, 2018 at 10:16 AM

BJ

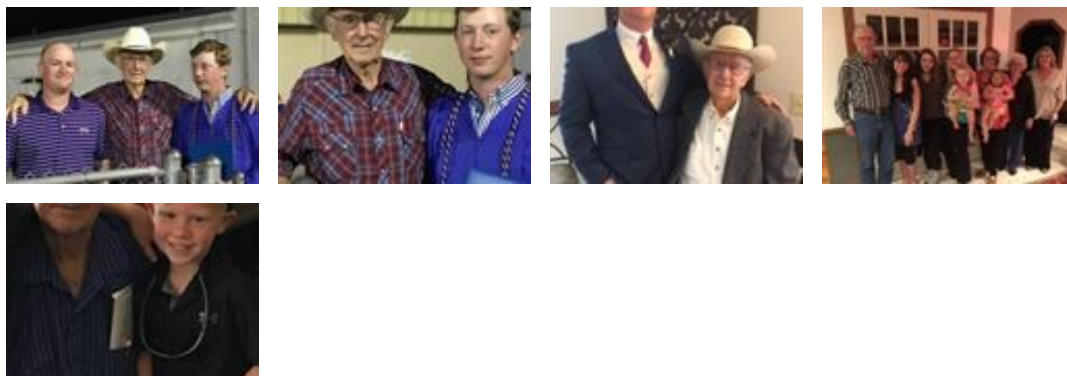
“ Barbara Jolley lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Barbara Jolley - October 19, 2018 at 10:04 AM



“ 72 files added to the album LifeTributes



Crawford- A.Crim Funeral Home - October 19, 2018 at 09:50 AM

SS

*Sending our prayers to the family.
Ricki and Shannon Skelton*

shannon skelton - October 19, 2018 at 10:28 PM

DP

“ Doug And Tammi Pannell lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Doug and Tammi Pannell - October 19, 2018 at 08:22 AM

KS

“ Karen Smith lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Karen Smith - October 19, 2018 at 08:22 AM

MP

“ My thoughts and prayers to the Tennison family. Marie Pierson



Marie Pierson - October 18, 2018 at 10:18 PM

GO

“ Gloria Williams Owens, sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Gloria Williams Owens, - October 18, 2018 at 10:16 PM

WF

“ William And Sheri Frost lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



William and Sheri Frost - October 18, 2018 at 09:24 PM

DK

“ David And Peggy Keeling lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



David and Peggy Keeling - October 18, 2018 at 09:11 PM

SR

“ J.W. showed me how to go snipe hunting once many years ago and he never let me forget the adventure either. Rest in Peace. J.W. was loved by everyone!!! Sherry will be so happy to see her daddy again.



Suzanne Reed - October 18, 2018 at 09:01 PM

MG

“ Thinking of each of you and praying for comfort and peace that only God can give. JW was a good hard working man and a friend to everyone he came in contact with. He leaves a great legacy of friendships and a servant's heart. Mark & Nancy Gibson



Mark & Nancy Gibson - October 18, 2018 at 08:47 PM

SN

“ My Heartfelt Condolences to the Family. He could always answer any questions I had about my horses.



Sissy Morris Neill - October 18, 2018 at 07:18 PM

RH

“ Ray Hunt lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Ray Hunt - October 18, 2018 at 07:04 PM

MG

“ *Our hearts and prayers are with each of.
Love You,
David & Mary Garrett*



Mary Garrett - October 18, 2018 at 06:03 PM

JS

“ *Jesse And Genna Stewart lit a candle in memory of Mr.
James William "J.W." Tennison*



Jesse and Genna Stewart - October 18, 2018 at 05:02 PM

RK

“ *Ronnie Keith lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William
"J.W." Tennison*



Ronnie Keith - October 18, 2018 at 04:14 PM



“ *Barbara Bangert lit a candle in memory of Mr. James
William "J.W." Tennison*



Barbara Bangert - October 18, 2018 at 03:21 PM

AR

“ *Alfred And Tami Ritter lit a candle in memory of Mr. James
William "J.W." Tennison*



Alfred and Tami Ritter - October 18, 2018 at 02:55 PM

CN

“ Clay Newcomb And Frances Newcomb lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Clay Newcomb and Frances Newcomb - October 18, 2018 at 11:41 AM

MT

“ Marian Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Marian Taylor - October 18, 2018 at 11:35 AM

JD

“ Jim And Mary Dudley lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Jim and Mary Dudley - October 18, 2018 at 10:51 AM

JJ

“ Jake Jordan lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Jake Jordan - October 18, 2018 at 10:31 AM

LS

“ Linda Simmons lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Linda Simmons - October 18, 2018 at 10:15 AM



“ He was my very first boss ever and treated me like a daughter. Sherry was one of my dearest lifelong friends. And the times in their home were treasured. Much love to Mary and the entire family. You are in my prayers

Stephanie Osteen - October 18, 2018 at 10:05 AM

WP

“ Wes Partin lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Wes partin - October 18, 2018 at 10:02 AM

BP

“ Prayers for the family during this difficult time.

Beth Hale Pope

Beth Pope - October 18, 2018 at 10:02 AM

WS

“ Wayne Sanders lit a candle in memory of Mr. James William "J.W." Tennison



Wayne Sanders - October 18, 2018 at 09:55 AM

PF

“ So sorry for your loss. Sending lots of prayers from the Melvin Minter family



Paula Minter Fredenburg - October 18, 2018 at 09:10 AM

LG

“ A great friend for 65 yrs and he will be missed by all. Sorry I cannot pay my respects in person but out of town until Tuesday. Will be praying for Mary and family during this difficult time.

Lavern Gibson - October 18, 2018 at 09:08 AM

ZE

“ I am so sorry to hear of J.W.'s death. Even though I have not lived in Henderson in years I remember him letting me go out to his house and ride his horses. He worked for the city with my mother, Gladys Ellis, and he and his wife Mary were always so sweet to me. I will keep the family in my prayers.

Zuma Ellis - October 18, 2018 at 09:05 AM

CS

“ We are so sorry for your loss.



Craig & Paula Sweeney - October 18, 2018 at 07:05 AM