



James Alton Pierce

July 21, 1935 - April 26, 2022

James Alton Pierce, born on July 21, 1935, in Monroe, Texas passed away April 26, 2022 in Tyler Texas. Jim moved to Levelland Texas in 2nd grade. Later graduating from Levelland High School where he was a member of their basketball team, a team that went to the state finals in 1951. Jim then attended Texas Tech-Howard County Junior College on a basketball scholarship. Later transferring to attend Odessa College. Before his senior year, he volunteered for the draft and was drafted into the Navy. After his service in the Navy, Jim returned to Levelland to assist his mother in her blacksmith and welding shop. He then worked for Sargent Engineering Corporation in Sundown, Texas. Following a family tradition of law enforcement, Jim went to work in 1958 for the Texas Liquor Control Board for 5 years. He then joined the Dallas Police Department and retired in 1990 as the Community Relations Officer for the Northwest Division. Two of his grandchildren were honored to be pinned as police officers by their Papaw, following in his footsteps. Jim married Jean (Opal Imogene) Brown in 1960. Married 57 years and raising four boys until her passing in 2017. Jim was also preceded in death by his mother Ava Marie Pierce, father Joseph Marvin Pierce and sister Ola Mae Schafer. In July 2018 Jim married Berta Burgess Pierce. They enjoyed faith, family, friends, and traveling until his passing. Jim is survived by wife, Berta; Brother, Robert Pierce/wife Joyce; Sons, Darr Dwight Pierce/wife Pam, Randy Lee Pierce, Troy Dee Pierce, Barry Jayson Pierce/wife Shari, Jaret Burgess, Jason Burgess/wife Katie; Grandchildren,

John Wadle/wife Trista, Cammarie Scallorn/wife Michelle, Casie-Lin Pierce, Shelly Pierce/Victor Guerra, Brandon Pierce, Jackson Pierce, Ryan Pierce/wife Kayla, Raigan Jones/husband Conner, Brooklyn Grace Burgess and Clayton Burgess; and Great Grandchildren, Zane Guerra and Brasen Guerra.

A celebration of life will be at New Harmony Baptist Church in Tyler, Texas at 11:00 a.m. on May 13, 2022. In lieu of flowers, please donate to New Harmony building fund.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

MAY 13. 11:00 AM (CT)

New Harmony Baptist Church
10251 FM 724
Tyler, TX 75704
nhbc@newharmonybaptistchurch.org

Tribute Wall



“ *Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of James Alton Pierce*



Caudle-Rutledge-Daugherty Funeral Home - May 02, 2022 at 11:04 PM



“ *James Alton Pierce*

October 05, 2023 at 02:48 AM



“ *James Alton Pierce*

October 05, 2023 at 12:01 AM



“ *Thoughts and prayers for the family during this time. May sweet memories continue to comfort. It was an honor to have met Jim and a joy to be around him. He was a positive and bright light and an inspiration to all who knew him. It was evident that he loved the Lord, his family, his life work and his country.*

Buddy and Shirley Ward - May 11, 2022 at 10:05 PM

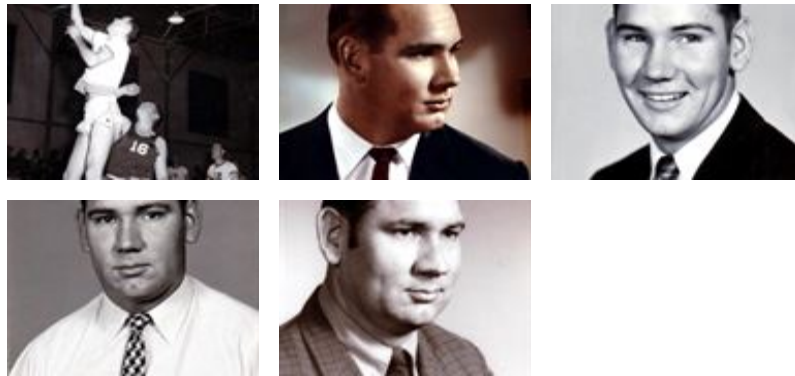
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“ One of my happiest memories of Jim was out at our Bayhouse with a group of friends. Berta & Jim were happy together. Jim impressed me with his personality and love of life.
Rest in peace, Jim.
Love, Scharlotte

Scharlotte O. Hughes - May 06, 2022 at 05:41 PM



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“ Have known James almost all my life. He was a good man. Many of his old friends were so happy for him when he and Berta found each other to spend the rest of their days; it just wasn't long enough.
Rest In Peace, Who Who!
Much love to Berta

Sharon Wilson - April 27, 2022 at 01:35 PM