



# James "Jim" Vaughn Kennemer

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James "Jim" Vaughn Kennemer, 81, of Longview, TX, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, June 14, 2016, at Good Shepherd Medical Center. Born in Darco, TX, to Vernon and Jean Kennemer, he lived most of his life in Longview. He graduated from Pine Tree High School in 1953, attended Sul Ross State University, and then served in the US Army. Following his faithful service in the military, Jim married Betty Etheredge, in 1958.

Jim was a well-respected and hard-working man. He worked for Texas Eastman for 41 years in several departments, including being a trusted safety inspector and training officer. He trained many fire fighters at Eastman, the North East Texas Fire School and the Texas A&M Fire School. He retired in 1997. Jim was a member of Oakland Heights Baptist Church and a member of the Masonic Lodge. He was an avid reader and loved watching John Wayne movies, the Green Bay Packers and playing Sudoku. Many will remember his intelligence, thoughtfulness, compassion and quick wit. Jim is survived by his wife, Betty, of 58 years, his two children, Jeff Kennemer and Angie Lobue, his son-in-law and daughter-in-law Mitchell Lobue and Amelia Kennemer; grandchildren Kara Holbert and her husband Blake, Kylie Kennemer, Josh Kennemer and Abby Lobue; great-grandchildren Holli, Hannah, and Harper Holbert and sister, Dorothy, of Arkansas; as well as many nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Doris. The family will receive friends on Thursday, June 16, from 6-8pm at Rader Funeral Home in Longview TX. Graveside services will be held on Friday, June 17, at Rosewood Park at 10am.



## Events

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### Visitation

 **Thursday**, June 16, 2016

 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM CT

 **Rader Funeral Home of Longview**  
1617 Judson Road, Longview TX 75601

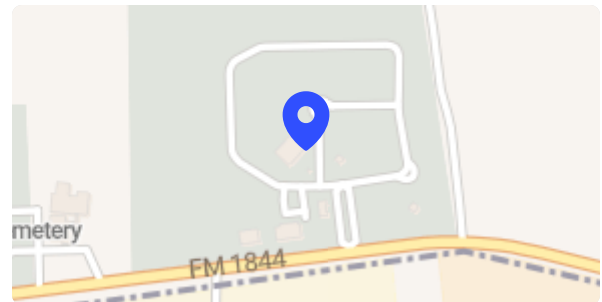


### Graveside Service

 **Friday**, June 17, 2016

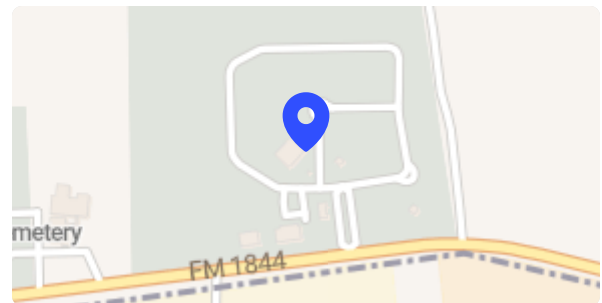
 10:00 AM CT

 **Rosewood Park**  
1884 FM 1844, Longview TX 75605



### Cemetery Details

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## Tribute Wall

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PT

**Patti Thomas** lit a candle in honor of James "Jim".

Mr. Kennemer, aka "Pa" will always hold a special place in my heart. We had many, many long talks over the years while I was a part of his family for many years. The two oldest Grand children mentioned are from a former marriage and he loved them dearly. He loved all of them, they were just the first for some time. I learned a lot about his life, as far back as he could recall and he chose the high road... well respected. It seemed as if everyone that hears his name had something wonderful to say about him. He always found a way to laugh at something. Great sense of humor and highly intelligent! He will be greatly missed, but heaven gained another blessing. I will always love you! Patti



June 18 at 6:03 AM

BF

**Beau Morgan And Family** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Kennemer family.



June 16 at 10:46 AM

MF

**Mark Burns' Family** sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Kennemer family.



June 16 at 8:18 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Kennemer family.



June 16 at 7:16 AM

MH

**Mike Howell** posted:

R.I.P MR. Kennemer, It was an honor to know you and work with at Eastman. My prayers go out to the Kennemer family

June 16 at 5:24 AM



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KB

**Keith & Donna Blanton** lit a candle in honor of James "Jim".

To Jim's family: Please know that our prayers go out to each of the family at this time as Jim holds "deep respect" in our hearts as long-time co-workers of his for many years at Texas Eastman. I'll never forget him back in 1985, he was working in Good Shepherd's ER one night when I came in with a sudden illness that ended up being admitted into ICU and hospitalized for 2-weeks. Seeing his sweet, smiling face there in ER made me feel so much more comfortable and I asked him to contact my supervisor on duty at Eastman to let him know where I was since I was unable to come to work that night on 11-7. We always had SO much respect for Jim through the years, some memories I'll treasure the rest of my life. He would encourage us, as younger employees, to "save your money" so you could retire at a young age and never depend on anyone else...he was right as I retired in my mid-50's. God has blessed us to cross paths and we WILL see Jim again as our "brother in Christ" when Jesus calls us home. Salvation is free for the acceptance through our Lord and Savior / Holy Spirit (Rom 10:9-13, John 3:3, John 3:16, John 6:44, Rev 1:5). To God be the Glory Forever, In deepest, sincere sympathy, Keith & Donna Blanton White Oak, TX



June 15 at 6:05 PM



**Anonymous** sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Kennemer family.

June 16 at 4:56 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the Kennemer family.

June 16 at 1:10 AM



FC

**From Tommie Villarreal, Corpus Christi, Tx** sent a Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant to the Kennemer family.

June 15 at 10:35 PM





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**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Kennemer family.



June 15 at 6:05 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring James "Jim" by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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