



James "Jimmy" E. Lemons Jr.

May 10, 1951 - August 22, 2018

McDonough Chapel

James (Jimmy) Edwards Lemons, Jr. was born on May 10, 1951 in McDonough, Georgia to the late James Edwards Lemons, Sr. and Rosebud Sims Lemons. He was the eldest boy among eight children. At the age of 67, God called Jimmy home.

Jimmy attended Henry County Training School and graduated in 1969. He enlisted in the United States Air Force in July 1970 where he served for three years. While serving in the Air Force, he was stationed at Tan Son Nhut Air Base, in Saigon, Vietnam during the Vietnam War. After being honorably discharged, Jimmy enrolled in the Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona, Florida where he obtained his commercial pilot's license. Upon obtaining his license, Jimmy served as an Air Traffic Controller in Smyrna, Tennessee. Jimmy was then employed by Delta Airlines beginning in 1983 until his retirement on April 1, 2018.

Jimmy was an avid traveler, visiting Thailand, Vietnam, Brazil, Jamaica, Cuba, China, and numerous other countries on continents around the world including North and South America. Jimmy owned a single engine airplane that he would fly, which developed his passion for aviation.

Jimmy also enjoyed watching baseball and football. His favorite teams were the Atlanta Braves and Falcons. He would watch the games with intensity and call the plays before they happened.

One of his fondest memories was attending the history-making game with his siblings where Hank Aaron tied Babe Ruth's home run record on April 8, 1974.

Jimmy is preceded in death by his brother Carl (Cynthia). Surviving to continue his memory, Jimmy leaves: his mother – Rosebud Sims Lemons, two brothers – Larry (Melody) and Randy (Desiree), four sisters – Marie (Luther), Joyce, Claudia, Mattie (Jimmy), ten nieces, ten nephews, and two aunts – Annie Sue and Frances, and a host of cousins and friends from Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport.

Previous Events

Viewing

AUG 27. 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM (ET)

W.D. Lemon & Sons Funeral Home - McDonough Chapel
300 Griffin Street
McDonough, GA 30253
(770) 957-4337
info@wdlemonfuneralhome.com

Service

AUG 28. 12:00 PM (ET)

Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church
397 Racetrack Road
McDonough, GA 30253
<http://www.wesleychapelmc.org>

Interment

AUG 28 (ET)

Eastlawn Memorial Park
640 McGarity Rd.
McDonough, GA 30252

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James "Jimmy" E. Lemons Jr..*



August 27, 2018 at 01:41 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of James "Jimmy" E. Lemons Jr..*



August 27, 2018 at 10:16 AM



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August 25, 2018 at 01:33 AM

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“ Jimmy was a wonderful and caring man. My son and I owe him a lot for his kindness. He will be missed greatly. May God bless him and grant him entry into paradise because he is most deserving. He will forever be in my memory. I thank God for allowing me to have known him. Much love from a dear friend.



Nicki and Marley - August 24, 2018 at 03:36 PM