



## Harold Griggs

August 28, 1934 - June 17, 2016

Funeral services for James Harold Griggs, age 81, are scheduled for 11:00 AM, Monday, June 20 at the Broad Street Church of Christ in Lexington with P.J. Hardy, Rodney Campbell and Charles Tharp officiating. Interment will follow in the Christian Chapel Cemetery in Henderson County. Pafford Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Mr. Griggs, the son of the late Leon and Virgie Ivey Griggs, died Friday, June 17, 2016 with his family at his side in Jackson. A pillar of Lexington and Henderson County, Mr. Griggs or Harold was known by the community through his years of service in the grocery store business. The grocery business was his life, except for three days when he was encouraged to be a car salesman, and was best known as the owner of Griggs Big Star from 1974-2007 and partner in the Cotton Patch Restaurant. He had many interests, but none topped his many pheasant hunts in South Dakota or his dove and quail hunts in Mexico. He shared the successes of these trips with hundreds of his friends at his annual Bird Suppers in the Spring of each year. In addition to hunting, he had a great love of the St. Louis Cardinals, his home community of Christian Chapel and making visits to his friends after his retirement. Mr. Griggs was a devoted member of the Broad Street Church of Christ and the Lexington Rotary Club where he was a Paul Harris Fellow and past Rotarian of the Year.

He is survived by his wife of sixty-three years, Doris Griggs; a daughter Pam Griggs (Rex) Herndon; his son, Jeff (Paige) Griggs all of Lexington; grandchildren: Mandy Griggs, Dallas (Holly) Griggs and Misty (Ben) Sharp; great grandchildren: River and Canyon Sharp and Toni and Sam Powell. Harold was preceded in death by his sister, Lavon Brewer.

Visitation with the Griggs family will be Saturday 2:00 – 8:00 PM, Sunday 2:00 – 8:00 PM at Pafford Funeral Home of Lexington and Monday 9:00 AM until time of services at the Broad Street Church of Christ.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 18. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Pafford Funeral Home - Lexington, TN  
71 Monroe Ave.  
Lexington, TN

## Visitation

JUN 19. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Pafford Funeral Home - Lexington, TN  
71 Monroe Ave.  
Lexington, TN

## Church Service

JUN 20. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (CT)

Broad Street Church of Christ  
Broad Street  
Lexington, TN

## Visitation

JUN 20. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Broad Street Church of Christ  
Broad Street  
Lexington, TN

# Tribute Wall

DB

“ *Dodi B lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



**Dodi B** - September 30, 2016 at 05:30 PM

DB

*I have been away from Decatur County for the past twenty years, but my fond memories of Mr. Harold was ... "He was ALWAYS, always cheerful, went the extra mile to find anything you needed in Griggs Grocery. If he couldn't find it, then he would order it for you..... his spirit was of true service which is such a rare jewel these days, but Mr. Harold was such a rare jewel now brightening heaven". May God's grace carry the Griggs family through this journey. Dodi B, SC*

**Dodi B** - September 30, 2016 at 05:39 PM

CA

“ *I am so very sorry to hear of Mr. Harold's passing. He was a great man! May he rest in peace and prayers for his family!*



**Chris and Angela Avery** - July 16, 2016 at 01:12 AM

DF

“ *Deborah Foster lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



**Deborah Foster** - June 24, 2016 at 02:53 PM

NJ

“ You will be missed Mr. Giggs



Nikki Jones - June 23, 2016 at 01:48 PM

DM

“ Wanted you to know how much we thought of your Dad. We loved him. Such a special man. You have our thoughts and prayers. We were out o town. SO sorry we didn't get to pay our respects. He will truly be missed

Diane McPeake - June 22, 2016 at 08:23 AM

BS

“ Harold was a very Civic minded man and what ever civic project he supported MRS. Doris was in agreement and supported Harold no matter what he chose. For those of us that we're blessed to have known them in our lifetime were given gifts from God above. MRS. Doris and family may God Bless and give you comfort in these your hours of sorrow and great loss. Love Bonnie Hopper Seawright

Bonnie Seawright - June 20, 2016 at 07:48 PM

Susan  
Adams-  
Truett

“ Susan Adams-Truett lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs



Susan Adams-Truett - June 20, 2016 at 07:22 PM

DF

“ *Dyer Family lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Dyer Family** - June 20, 2016 at 05:20 PM

SH

“ *Jeff, I'm so sorry for your loss! It was nice seeing your Dad the other day and talking to him! I'm sure Wayne will look him up! I always looked up and respected your Dad! He treated everyone the same no matter what! Good Man!!!! He will be missed by many!*

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**steve hinson** - June 20, 2016 at 03:33 PM

 Phil Haskins

“ *Phil Haskins lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Phil Haskins** - June 20, 2016 at 02:53 PM

LB

“ *Jeff I am so sorry about the loss of your sweet father...He was always so kind to me and my family....he will be surely missed ...prayers for you all during your time of grief...*

*Liz Barker*

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**LIZ BARKER** - June 20, 2016 at 12:57 PM

SC

*Jeff, I am sincerely sorry for the loss of your father. It is a painful thing to lose a parent. Thank God for all your memories of your Dad, which will eventually bring you comfort. Prayers for you and your family during this time of grief.*

**Shirley Cowan** - June 21, 2016 at 12:09 AM

CH

*“ I will forever be grateful for the amount of kindness Mr. Griggs showed my family when i was a child, there are many times if it had not been for the kindness and the love of this man we would of done without... Always in my heart Mr. Griggs now that you have your wings fly high good man.*



**Crystal Myracle Huckstep** - June 20, 2016 at 08:46 AM

DL

*“ My mom went to work for Mr. Griggs when I was in 2nd grade. I have many fond childhood memories of being in Big Star and of the family-type atmosphere Mr. Griggs promoted in his business. He was a great man and my sympathies go out to his entire family.*

**Dana McAlexander Long** - June 19, 2016 at 10:26 PM

SG

*“ Mr. Harold was a precious man and he will be sadly missed. Love this family so much. Praying for you all.*



**Shelia Gibson** - June 19, 2016 at 09:15 PM

LB

“ SO SORRY FOR THE LOSS OF YOUR LOVED ONE...HE WAS SUCH A GOOD MAN WITH A HEART OF GOLD....MAY GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU.....KATHERINE AND LEON BEECHAM

LEON BEECHAM - June 19, 2016 at 06:23 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Harold Griggs.



June 19, 2016 at 03:47 PM



“ *Angel Melton sent a virtual gift in memory of Harold Griggs*



Angel Melton - June 19, 2016 at 10:45 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Mr.. Griggs was such a sweet man. He helped me a lot of times when I needed food and then I could pay him later. My condolences go out to the Griggs family. R.I.P. Mr. Griggs*



Angel Melton - June 19, 2016 at 10:45 AM

DB

*Mr. Griggs was one of the friendliest people ( besides his son Jeff) that i have ever had the privilege of meeting. No matter where I saw him he always had time top stop for a few words. He will be sorely missed by our community but memories of him will live forever in our hearts. Much sympathy for his family!!*

**Debbie Britt** - June 20, 2016 at 06:55 AM

LE

*“ Our prayers and thoughts are with you family at this time. We are so deeply sorry for the passing of Mr Griggs. He was such a nice and kind hearted person. Linda Teague Elam and family*

**Linda Elam** - June 19, 2016 at 01:30 AM



*“ Michelle Lewis lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



**Michelle Lewis** - June 18, 2016 at 10:04 PM

KI

*“ Such a good hearted person will truly be missed. Our prayers are for the the family during such a difficult time.  
Kim &'Bill Martin*



**kim** - June 18, 2016 at 09:49 PM

RR

*“ Prayers for the family Harold was a friendly caring person*

**robin rainey** - June 18, 2016 at 09:32 PM

CC

“ *This man had a heart made of gold. He went above his duty to help any and everyone regardless of the race, religion. There aren't enough words to say about this sweet man. He will be greatly missed. My condolence goes out to you Doris Jeff and Pam Mandy Misty and Dallas*



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**Cheryl Lester Cupples** - June 18, 2016 at 08:58 PM

DW

“ *The most compassionate caring man I know. Always had a smile and a kind word for everyone. He will be missed. My sympathies to Doris, Jeff and Pam.*

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**Delores Woods** - June 18, 2016 at 08:28 PM

DD

“ *Donna Darrough lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Donna Darrough** - June 18, 2016 at 07:08 PM

BB

“ *Bill And Cookie Burke lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Bill and Cookie Burke** - June 18, 2016 at 07:01 PM

IF

“ *My condolences to the family at this sad and difficult time. So sorry for your loss.*



Imogene Frye - June 18, 2016 at 06:50 PM

RO

“ *Mr. Griggs always was the same whenever you seen him in Big Star, always had a smile and always greeted you when you came through the door.... The family is in our prayers.*

Ronald - June 18, 2016 at 06:14 PM

LY

“ *Lora Young sent a virtual gift in memory of Harold Griggs*



Lora Young - June 18, 2016 at 03:57 PM

LY

“ *Our deepest sympathies to the Griggs family. Our prayers are for comfort & peace to you all. Mr Harold was an angel here on earth to many people, extending his kindness, love , & compassion to anyone he met. Heaven has gained a true angel & he will be missed by us all.*

Lora Young - June 18, 2016 at 03:56 PM

SF

*My name is Shelia Fisher the daughter of the late Mildred Fisher. To the Griggs family. Please carry on the love, laughter, kind heart, and compassion that Mr. Griggs done.*

*Mr. Griggs help feed our family when our mother didn't know what she'd do to feed her hungry children. I'm not ashamed to say that we had hard times coming up but Mr. Griggs trusted our mother to pay as she promised and that trust from her allowed him to trust in her children after our mothers passing.*

*My baby sister Barbara Fisher (Brandon) and my son Chris Fisher Was just taking a trip back down memory lane on June 14, 2016 and Mr. Griggs was the center of our attention in such a Great Way.*

*Mr. Griggs, I've thank you many times in my life and has you enter in Jesus say Well Done you served your mission to all on earth, now you can rest.*

*From*

*The Fisher Family*

*77 Madison Ave*

*Lexington, Tn.*

*Presently resides in Murfreesboro ,Tn.*

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**shelia Fisher** - June 18, 2016 at 05:01 PM

BO

“ *I remember many times going into The Big Star and sharing many happy conversations with Mr. Griggs he was always so polite and helpful. He even gave you some food if you needed some and pay him later. He will be very missed God bless him and his family. R.I.P Mrs. Becky Olds*



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**becky olds** - June 18, 2016 at 03:51 PM

RL

“ *Ricky Loftin lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Ricky Loftin** - June 18, 2016 at 03:44 PM



“ 96 files added to the album Life Tributes



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**Pafford Funeral Home** - June 18, 2016 at 02:03 PM

BR

“ *Mr. Griggs was a wonderful man he is an angel now watching over us I remember he smile to everyone and shooked everyone hands greeted everyone he will never be forgot love you Mr. Griggs*

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**betty Ramirez** - June 18, 2016 at 12:39 PM

BE

“ *Betty lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**betty** - June 18, 2016 at 12:36 PM

EA

“ *Eddie Akins lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Eddie Akins** - June 18, 2016 at 12:07 PM

SM

“ *Mr Griggs has been missed since Big Star days. He had a very infectious smile and personality. May god continue to comfort his family during this time and the days that follow.*



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**Sonya and Tommy McCullough** - June 18, 2016 at 11:35 AM



“ *Richard Vinson lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Richard Vinson** - June 18, 2016 at 11:04 AM

MS

“ *Melissa Overman Smith lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Melissa Overman Smith** - June 18, 2016 at 11:04 AM



“ *Tony N Redonna Overman lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Tony N Redonna Overman** - June 18, 2016 at 10:48 AM

JR

“ *Jeannette And Mike Rhodes lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Jeannette and Mike Rhodes** - June 18, 2016 at 10:36 AM

TD

“ *Theresa J Duke lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Theresa J Duke** - June 18, 2016 at 10:19 AM

BR

“ Harold, was a great friend. I worked with him for many years, calling on him for Procter & Gamble Co. We shared many lasting memories, from having coffee with him and Bobby Taylor every Friday when he was at Lucky Foods at Parsons to all the later memories at Big Star. Enjoyed so much the Bird Suppers, he started which was about 20 of us at cotton parch, to all the later ones that grew into a large annual event. Harold was a very generous persons, helping so many that most people never knew about, and the very out going personality that most people knew him by. He was a leader and asset to Lexington, and Henderson co.

*Rest in peace my Dear Friend Harold.*

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**Bill Rhodes** - June 18, 2016 at 10:03 AM

AS

“ Lexington lost a fine gentleman that will be missed. I remember my first meeting with Harold in 1983. He always remembered my name after that and always had time for a conversation. My sympathy to Jeff and the family.

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**Annice Smith** - June 18, 2016 at 09:38 AM

DH

“ I remember Mr. Griggs so well from my years living in Lexington. He was so kind to everyone! My condolences to Jeff and the rest of the family.

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**David Hunley** - June 18, 2016 at 09:17 AM



Centrillia Rochelle

“ Centrillia Rochelle sent a virtual gift in memory of Harold Griggs



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**Centrillia Rochelle** - June 18, 2016 at 09:14 AM



Centrillia Rochelle

“ Centrillia Rochelle lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs



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**Centrillia Rochelle** - June 18, 2016 at 09:13 AM



Cinde Pocius

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**Cinde Pocius** - June 18, 2016 at 09:10 AM



“ Sherry Cherry lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs



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**Sherry Cherry** - June 18, 2016 at 08:57 AM



“ *When I was in Freed-Hardeman and was a day student 1963-1964 many days between classes my friend Wanda and I would spend time in His store in Henderson. They were so sweet and kind to us. My mother came from the Christian Chapel area also! Mr Harold always had such a sweet smile and was so friendly with everyone! He will be truely missed! Glenda Meggs Joshlin*

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**Glenda Joshlin** - June 18, 2016 at 08:35 AM

SH

“ *Mr Griggss. One of the greatest men I have ever met he was always good to my family.always had a smile on his face. Very much going to be missed*

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**sarah henson** - June 18, 2016 at 08:35 AM

SH

“ *Mr Griggss. One of the greatest men I have ever met he was always good to my family.always had a smile on his face. Very much going to be missed*

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**sarah henson** - June 18, 2016 at 08:35 AM

SH

“ *Sarah Henson lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**sarah henson** - June 18, 2016 at 08:30 AM

SH

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sarah henson - June 18, 2016 at 08:30 AM

GW

“ Gary & Delores Williams lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs



Gary & Delores Williams - June 18, 2016 at 08:24 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Harold Griggs.



June 18, 2016 at 08:16 AM

PW

“ Paula Wisinski lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs



Paula Wisinski - June 18, 2016 at 08:08 AM

KJ

“ *Kellie James lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Kellie James** - June 18, 2016 at 08:01 AM



“ *Thomas Maness lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Thomas Maness** - June 18, 2016 at 07:53 AM

LR

“ *Linda Rhodes lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Linda Rhodes** - June 18, 2016 at 07:35 AM

PT

“ *We are so sorry for your loss. Mr. Harold was a wonderful man with a great smile. It was a pleasure to know him. May God comfort your family during this time of loss.*

*Jim & Peg Terry*

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**Peg & Jim Terry** - June 18, 2016 at 07:16 AM

DD

“ Donna Dickey lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs



Donna Dickey - June 18, 2016 at 07:02 AM

SR

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family.



Suzanne Riles - June 18, 2016 at 06:21 AM



“ Carmen D. Spencer lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs



Carmen D. Spencer - June 18, 2016 at 06:15 AM



“ Carmen D. Spencer lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs



Carmen D. Spencer - June 18, 2016 at 06:14 AM



“ *Carmen D. Spencer lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Carmen D. Spencer** - June 18, 2016 at 06:07 AM



“ *Carmen D. Spencer lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Carmen D. Spencer** - June 18, 2016 at 06:04 AM



“ *Carmen D. Spencer lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Carmen D. Spencer** - June 18, 2016 at 06:00 AM

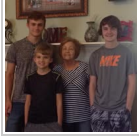


“ *Vickie Powers lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Vickie Powers** - June 18, 2016 at 12:50 AM



“ *Janice Houston lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Janice Houston** - June 18, 2016 at 12:48 AM

KW

“ *Krystal Wilson lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Krystal Wilson** - June 17, 2016 at 11:57 PM

DC

“ *I'm so sorry to hear about Mr. Griggs. He was one of the kindest person that I knew in Lexington. He will be sorely missed by many. RIP Mr. Griggs. My Deepest sympathies to the Griggs' family.*



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**Debbie (Trent) Crownover** - June 17, 2016 at 11:43 PM

DW

“ *Debbie Wright lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



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**Debbie Wright** - June 17, 2016 at 10:34 PM



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**Tony N Redonna Overman** - June 17, 2016 at 10:28 PM



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**Tony N Redonna Overman** - June 17, 2016 at 10:26 PM



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**Tony N Redonna Overman** - June 17, 2016 at 10:23 PM

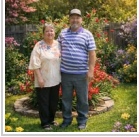


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**Tony N Redonna Overman** - June 17, 2016 at 10:22 PM



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**Tony N Redonna Overman** - June 17, 2016 at 10:22 PM



“ Tammie Hays Georgen lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs



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**Tammie Hays Georgen** - June 17, 2016 at 09:46 PM



“ Oh my heart is breaking right now. I loved this man with all my heart. With me being from SD he loved to stop at chat about going hunting there. I will miss his smile and the sparkle in his eye when he spoke of those days. Prayers and love to his family.



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**Denise Simpson** - June 17, 2016 at 08:30 PM



“ Cynthia, Carli, & Colby Gilliam lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs



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**Cynthia, Carli, & Colby Gilliam** - June 17, 2016 at 07:39 PM

CG

*So sorry for your loss. Prayers for all of you.*

**Cynthia, Carli, & Colby Gilliam** - June 17, 2016 at 07:41 PM

JB

“ *Jeff And Michelle Bowles lit a candle in memory of Harold Griggs*



**Jeff and Michelle Bowles** - June 17, 2016 at 06:30 PM

JB

*So sorry for your loss, he was a good man.*

**Jeff and Michelle Bowles** - June 17, 2016 at 06:30 PM



*prayers for family...*

**Wanda White** - June 17, 2016 at 07:15 PM