



James Russell Young

November 29, 1919 - February 8, 2010

Mr. James Russell Young, age 90, formerly of Huntingdon, TN died on Monday, February 8, at Martin Volunteer Hospital after a long fight with COPD. He was the son of the late Charlie Taylor Young of Arkansas and Climie Duke Young of California and was born November 29, 1919 in Water Valley, Mississippi. He went to San Diego, CA and joined the Navy during WWII, during which he fought the Japanese on the Pacific Islands and received four medals of honor, the highest being the Unit Citation Medal for Extraordinary Bravery. Mr. Young was wounded in action while on Guam. He later joined the Coast Guard Merchant Marines and traveled around the world until 1968. In 1969, he had his right leg amputated from WWII wounds, but being a tough man, he came home to Huntingdon and started a lawn mowing business, which he ran until he was in his late 70's. Mr. Young's last request was to be cremated after his death. Graveside Memorial services will be held on March 12, 2010 at 2:00 PM at New Hope Methodist Cemetery in Lexington with Full Military Honors. Pafford Funeral Home of Lexington is in charge of arrangements.

He is survived by his wife Mrs. Jerri Melton Young, formerly of Huntingdon, two sons, Tim McCoy and wife, Vickie Coleman McCoy of Huntingdon and Buddy Young of California, one brother-in-law, Wylie Pearson of Huntingdon, one sister-in-law, Zula Melton Buck formerly of Lexington, three grandchildren, Sammy Young and James Young of California, and Andrew Hood of Martin, four sisters, Hazel Love, Coleen Valander, Robbie Garbin of California, and

Nita Tepfer of Greenwood, Arkansas, nephews and nieces, Phil Floyd of Camden, Toni Pearson of Huntingdon, Sherry Pearson and Billy Arnold of Memphis, and many relatives in California, Mississippi, and Arkansas.

Previous Events

Service

MAR 12. 2:00 PM.

Graveside Services

Tribute Wall



“ Pafford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James Russell Young



Pafford Funeral Home - February 08, 2010 at 12:00 AM



“ Sorry for ya lost we love your take care Lynn.##imported-begin##Lynn king##imported-end##

March 12, 2010 at 08:24 AM



“ Hey Cuz, I am so very sorry about the loss of your dad. I can't imagine the emptiness you feel but I am praying the Lord will give you strength to go through these next few days and weeks as you mourn his loss. Love you and Vicki bunches. See ya tomorrow.##imported-begin##Suzette Gibson##imported-end##

March 12, 2010 at 12:54 AM



“ im really sorry about your daddy. if you need anything just call me. im always here if you need someone to talk to. i love yall.##imported-begin##robin campbell##imported-end##

March 11, 2010 at 04:58 PM



“ Tim, Sorry for the loss of your Daddy. If you need anything just call us we will be there for you.##imported-begin##Lisa Waugh##imported-end##

March 11, 2010 at 04:56 PM



“ Tim, I am so sorry for your loss. The last time we spoke you told me of his passing and the struggles you were facing. I pray that you will now find peace and remember your father fondly and with many smiles.##imported-begin##Nan Barnett##imported-end##

March 11, 2010 at 03:24 PM



“ Tim I was sorry to hear about your Dad. Always considered you a good friend. Hope you are doing well.##imported-begin##Dale C. Aden##imported-end##

March 11, 2010 at 11:06 AM



“ Tim i am so very sorry to here about your father. You are in our prayers##imported-begin##Steve Morgan##imported-end##

March 11, 2010 at 11:03 AM



“ Tim sorry I caannot come to the memorial service but a lady I work with brother died and his funeral is Friday and I cannot get off from work but I will be thinking of you. Love Natelle##imported-begin##Natelle Waugh##imported-end##

March 10, 2010 at 10:17 PM



“ TIM, JIM AND I ARE TRULY SORRY FOR YOUR LOST, OUR PRAYERS GO OUT TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY##imported-begin##SUE AND JIM SHANNON##imported-end##

March 10, 2010 at 01:52 PM



“ I'm sorry about your dad Tim##imported-begin##Barry Waugh##imported-end##

March 10, 2010 at 01:16 PM



“ Tim, we are so sorry to hear of your Dad's death. I pray God will give you and your Mom the strength you need.

We love you and our prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Billy Melton Arnold & Margie Arnold##imported-end##

March 10, 2010 at 02:19 AM



“ Forever in my heart, Your wife..Jerri##imported-begin##Jerri Melton Young##imported-end##

March 09, 2010 at 11:41 PM



“ Daddy,we miss you so much,but you are not suffering any more. We will be you again someday in our eternal home.Love,Your Son & Daughter..Timmy & Vickie##imported-begin##Tim & Vickie McCoy##imported-end##

March 09, 2010 at 10:01 PM