



Mr. Jimmy Fesmire

March 12, 1948 - May 21, 2017

Funeral services for Jimmy Fesmire, age 69, are scheduled for 4:00 PM Thursday, May 25th at Sand Ridge Baptist Church with Rev. Marty Comer and Rev. Keith Runyon officiating. Interment will follow in the church cemetery. Pafford Funeral Home of Lexington is in charge of the arrangements. Visitation with the Fesmire family will be at Sand Ridge Baptist Church, Wednesday from 2:00 – 7:00 PM and Thursday 1:00 PM until time of services.

Jimmy, the son of the late Houston and Pearl Milam Fesmire, died after attending church on Sunday, May 21, 2017, in a traffic accident near his home in Lexington. An educator at heart, Jimmy began his career in 1970 as a high school teacher with Lexington High School and touched countless people through his life. In the classroom he taught science and chemistry and after hours you would find him either on the football field or the golf course as a coach and during the summers he managed Guy B. Amis Park. In 1994 and continuing through 2003 he served as Superintendent of Schools for Henderson County, again touching students and families throughout the County. After serving in this role he left the field of education for nine years and worked as a certified electrician with his son, Derek. Jimmy was never idle and again joined the school system and served in a number of capacities, his latest being the construction manager of the baseball complex that is now nearing completion. For his years of dedication to Lexington High School, he was a recent recipient of the “Wall of Fame” honor at the school. The church

played an important role in his life as well, as he was a member, deacon and mission team member of the Sand Ridge Baptist Church. Jimmy had many passions; education, church and of course, his family. Whether he was attending their ball games, watching their special events or with them at the river, family was important.

He is survived by his childhood sweetheart and wife of forty-eight years, Debra Melton Fesmire and their three children: Janna Beth (Bart) Shaull, Derek (Tiffany) Fesmire and Landon (Christina) Fesmire; six grandchildren: Jacob and Madelyn Fesmire, Carter and Cooper Shaull and Matthew and Alex Fesmire; two brothers: David and Tony Fesmire and his mother-in-law, Mrs. Sue Melton and preceded in death by her late husband, "Doc".

Jimmy was instrumental in starting the local Second Harvest Foodbank and the family would appreciate in lieu of flowers, donations be directed to the Foodbank in care of Sand Ridge Baptist Church or to the Sand Ridge Baptist Church Building Fund.

Cemetery Details

Sand Ridge Cemetery

Highway 412 West
Lexington, TN

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **24**. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Sand Ridge Baptist Church
Highway 412 West
Lexington, TN

Visitation

MAY **25**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Sand Ridge Baptist Church
Highway 412 West
Lexington, TN

Church Service

MAY **25**. 4:00 PM (CT)

Sand Ridge Baptist Church
Highway 412 West
Lexington, TN

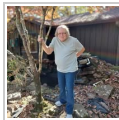
Tribute Wall



“ *Pafford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*

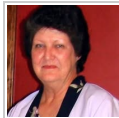


Pafford Funeral Home - May 24, 2017 at 11:50 AM



Praying for the whole family and especially for Debra. It's so rare to see the love between Debra & Jimmy had for most of their lives. Jimmy will be greatly missed by the whole Church family.

Sandy Jackson - May 25, 2017 at 10:56 AM



I just loved this video. That was his life family, grandkids, and a little golf for fun. I had never seen some of these pictures. I love the way he was always with you. He was your husband, and your dad, and your grandpa, he is at peace.

Peggy Morgan - June 06, 2017 at 10:37 PM

EB

“ *He was an awesome teacher. He loved his job and his students*

Eric blankenship - May 27, 2017 at 12:50 PM



“ Coach Fesmire was a coach, teacher, boss, mentor, and friend to me when I was growing up. I always looked up to him and I am saddened at his passing. My prayers are with his family in their time of loss.

Jeff Wood - May 26, 2017 at 10:40 AM

DW

“ Delton & Florena Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire



Delton & Florena Williams - May 25, 2017 at 05:57 PM

LW

“ I've had the pleasure of working with Jimmy during the past year. He was great man that will be missed! I'm so sorry for the loss. My prayers are with his family!



Lee Wilkinson - May 25, 2017 at 02:36 PM

TF

“ The Ottis Cannon Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire.



The Ottis Cannon Family - May 24, 2017 at 09:27 PM

LE

“ Prayers for Debra and her families. .so sadden to hear this. Linda Teague Elam



Linda Elam - May 24, 2017 at 09:15 PM

TS

“ I was crushed to hear the news of Mr. Fesmire. I had the privilege of working with him on a consulting basis from time to time with the local school system. A real salt of the earth man! Rest in Peace Jimmy,

Tim Sturgeon
Cenergistic

Tim Sturgeon - May 24, 2017 at 08:24 PM

LV

“ Lydia Vaughn lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire



Lydia Vaughn - May 24, 2017 at 04:18 PM

MS

“ Prayers for all the family that you may receive peace from the Lord. Jimmy was a wonderful person and I'm thankful to have known him. May God bless you all in these things you stand in need of. Marlane Sheppard.

Marlane Sheppard - May 24, 2017 at 12:21 PM



“ 418 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Pafford Funeral Home - May 24, 2017 at 11:28 AM



“ *Jan Speer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Jan Speer - May 24, 2017 at 10:34 AM



“ *Mike & Brenda McKeen lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Mike & Brenda McKeen - May 24, 2017 at 10:09 AM



“ *Christopher Escue lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Christopher Escue - May 24, 2017 at 06:09 AM



I am deeply sorry and heartbroken for your loss. Forever in my prayers.

Christopher Escue - May 24, 2017 at 06:11 AM

GW

“ *Gary & Delores Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Gary & Delores Williams - May 23, 2017 at 09:50 PM

DR

“ *Dwayne Reeves lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Dwayne Reeves - May 23, 2017 at 09:38 PM

Judy
Huckstep

“ *Judy Huckstep lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Judy Huckstep - May 23, 2017 at 08:01 PM

RS

“ *Heartbroken for you all! Praying for comfort and peace.*



Rhonda Sanders - May 23, 2017 at 05:14 PM

TK

“ *The Ballard Family---Claude Georgia Nell and kids purchased the Basket of Joy for the family of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire.*



The Ballard Family---Claude Georgia Nell and kids - May 23, 2017 at 05:14 PM

AF

“ *Oh, Debra. I'm just so sad to hear this. I hope you and your loved ones find strength and comfort in the love that we are all sending your way. Peace.*

Alice Ann Fesmire

Alice Ann Fesmire - May 23, 2017 at 03:57 PM

DB

“ Danny&Shelia Beecham lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire



Danny&Shelia Beecham - May 23, 2017 at 03:48 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire.



May 23, 2017 at 01:23 PM

LH

“ Layne,Lisa, And Sarah Hart sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire



Layne,Lisa, and Sarah Hart - May 23, 2017 at 12:11 PM

LH

He was a great teacher and football coach he will truly be missed by all

Layne,Lisa, and Sarah Hart - May 23, 2017 at 12:14 PM

AW

“ *Ann Hay Walker wishes for you only the best; let your memories comfort you.*



ann hay walker - May 23, 2017 at 11:57 AM

BJ

“ *Becky Johnson sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Becky Johnson - May 23, 2017 at 11:51 AM



“ *Tony Frederick lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Tony Frederick - May 23, 2017 at 11:49 AM

BP

“ *Brenda Pfountz lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Brenda Pfountz - May 23, 2017 at 11:35 AM

LM

“ *Linda Blankenship McBride lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Linda Blankenship McBride - May 23, 2017 at 11:21 AM

LM

Sending Prayers Hugs and Love to Ms. Debra and the family!! God, Please wrap Your Loving Arms around Ms. Debra and the family in the days, weeks, and months ahead! Amen. RIP Mr. Jimmy, We will always Love and remember You!!!

Linda Blankenship McBride - May 23, 2017 at 11:25 AM



“ *Love Everlasting Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire.*



May 23, 2017 at 11:14 AM

TF

“ *The Kelley Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



The Kelley Family - May 23, 2017 at 08:53 AM

TS

“ *Tim & Jane Sikes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Tim & Jane Sikes - May 23, 2017 at 08:47 AM



“ *Ryan Roenker lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Ryan Roenker - May 23, 2017 at 08:28 AM

JS

“ *Jerry Stegall lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Jerry Stegall - May 23, 2017 at 12:26 AM

BS

“ *Beth Siegl lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Beth Siegl - May 22, 2017 at 10:05 PM

RR

“ *Ronnie Dyer N. Ricky, lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Ronnie Dyer N. Ricky, - May 22, 2017 at 09:37 PM

TF

“ *The Dyer Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



The Dyer Family - May 22, 2017 at 09:35 PM

CB

“ *Cookie Burke lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



cookie burke - May 22, 2017 at 09:32 PM

CB

Lexington lost a very kind and well liked citizen. He will be missed by many. Rest will God Mr Fesmire.

cookie burke - May 22, 2017 at 09:34 PM



Jimmy stopped to shake hands with me as he left the church Sunday morning. A wonderful man, he will be missed. My condolences to all of the family.

Jan Speer - May 23, 2017 at 07:27 AM



“ *Amanda Henry lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Amanda Henry - May 22, 2017 at 09:24 PM

PC

“ *Patsy Coffman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Patsy Coffman - May 22, 2017 at 09:01 PM

EA

“ *Eddie & Lori Akins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Eddie & Lori Akins - May 22, 2017 at 07:56 PM

BS

“ *Mr. Fesmire was a light shining bright in our community. His passion to serve was very contagious, and he will truly be missed!*



Brenda Scott - May 22, 2017 at 07:54 PM

CF

“ *He was a wonderful science teacher, coach and leader. He will never be forgotten. Many prayers to the entire family.* ”



Cotton & Tina Rhodes family - May 22, 2017 at 07:53 PM

SW

“ *Sharon Wood lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire* ”



Sharon Wood - May 22, 2017 at 07:50 PM



“ *Tony N Redonna Overman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire* ”



Tony N Redonna Overman - May 22, 2017 at 07:49 PM

RW

“ *Robin Hinson White lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire* ”



Robin Hinson White - May 22, 2017 at 07:44 PM

GT

“ *Ginger Taylor lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Ginger Taylor - May 22, 2017 at 07:41 PM

DE

“ *Denise Ellis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Denise Ellis - May 22, 2017 at 07:39 PM

 Kathy Coleman

“ *Kathy Coleman lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Kathy Coleman - May 22, 2017 at 07:18 PM

 Kathy Coleman

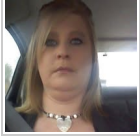
Prayers for peace and comfort Ms. Debra and family!!!

Kathy Coleman - May 22, 2017 at 07:21 PM

BJ

Praying for the family during a difficult time

Barbara Johnson - May 23, 2017 at 04:20 PM



“ *Candy Arnold Hayes lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Candy Arnold Hayes - May 22, 2017 at 06:35 PM

CF

“ *Cynthia Hays Gilliam & Family lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Cynthia Hays Gilliam & Family - May 22, 2017 at 06:34 PM

FB

“ *Frankie And Sheila Blankenship lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



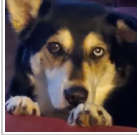
Frankie and Sheila Blankenship - May 22, 2017 at 06:17 PM

MJ

“ *So sorry for your loss. Prayers for all. Marty and Cheri Jowers*



Marty and Cheri Jowers - May 22, 2017 at 06:16 PM



“ *Karen Brantley Hernandez lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Karen Brantley Hernandez - May 22, 2017 at 05:50 PM



“ *Linda Lindsey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Linda Lindsey - May 22, 2017 at 05:43 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire.*



May 22, 2017 at 05:37 PM



“ *Mike Pollock lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Mike Pollock - May 22, 2017 at 05:35 PM

RH

“ *Ricky D. Henry lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*




Ricky D. Henry - May 22, 2017 at 05:26 PM

TG

“ *Tommy, Karen And Rachel Gordon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Tommy, Karen and Rachel Gordon - May 22, 2017 at 03:47 PM

 Charlotte Kizer

“ *Charlotte Kizer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Charlotte Kizer - May 22, 2017 at 03:26 PM

ML

“ *Melissa Lindsey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Melissa Lindsey - May 22, 2017 at 03:08 PM

WG

“ To Debra and Family- Some folks are saying that Jimmy was a good man- I disagree; Jimmy was a Great and an Awesome man- I new Jimmy for 54 years and during those years I never had a cross word with him- I had highly respect for Jimmy- He was a special influential to Henderson County and to me- I was so happy when Jimmy ran for Superintendent and become our Superintendent- I had a child in school and I knew my son would get a good education with Jimmy’s leadership- He did an outstanding job- I had enormously appreciation for Jimmy while I was in High School and that appreciation lasted for those 54 years- In our High School Reunion pictures Jimmy and I seem to find each other so we would be next to each other- Most of the time It was me finding him cause I wanted to be next to him- I know you will miss Jimmy and so will the community he lived in- “Please let us know if you need anything at all during this difficult time-“ Helen Keller once said; ”When it seems that our sorrow is too great to be borne, let us think of the great family of the heavy-hearted into which our grief has given us entrance. And inevitably, we will feel about us their arms, their sympathy and their understanding.”
With Sympathy: Wayne and Peggy Garner

Wayne Garner - May 22, 2017 at 02:13 PM

SM

He was the best son-in -law anyone could hope for.Always there if we needed anything.Worked hard and good at what he did.It's comforting to know he resting in heaven with Jesus.Love him.

Sue Melton - June 05, 2017 at 07:59 AM


Debra
Fesmire

Thank you, Wayne! We are so lost without him! But I take comfort in knowing he never knew he was leaving, and I know where he is, and that we will remember him as looking happy and healthy and not a sickly, dying man! He deserved to be remembered just that way!

Debra Fesmire - June 06, 2017 at 10:26 AM

CM

“ *Cathy Meadows lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Cathy Meadows - May 22, 2017 at 01:48 PM

IF

“ *Imogene Frye lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Imogene Frye - May 22, 2017 at 01:40 PM

IF

My condolences to the family at the sad and difficult time. You are all in my prayers.

Imogene Frye - May 22, 2017 at 01:42 PM

DR

“ *Donna RossDarrough lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Donna RossDarrough - May 22, 2017 at 01:11 PM

JS

“ Jerry Stanfill lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire



Jerry Stanfill - May 22, 2017 at 01:02 PM

AK

“ Anna Kirk lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire



Anna Kirk - May 22, 2017 at 11:40 AM

AK

Debra and family are deepest sympathy to you and your family, our hearts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time and in the days to come. We love you guys, Glenn and Anna

Anna Kirk - May 22, 2017 at 11:42 AM

LA

Debra and children, you have our deepest sympathy during this very difficult time. I have such fond memories of playing softball and basketball with Jimmy. He was always so courteous and polite. I saw him at TSC supply a couple of weeks ago. We talked for a few minutes and he took time to pat my little poodle on her head. He will for sure be missed. Love all the family and you will be in our hearts and prayers. Leo Scott and family.

Leo and Mary Acott - May 22, 2017 at 05:20 PM



Thank you both! We miss him so! But we do know where he is and we will be with him again!

Debra Fesmire - June 06, 2017 at 10:28 AM

BW

“ *Barbara Willis lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jimmy Fesmire*



Barbara Willis - May 22, 2017 at 11:04 AM

BW

So sorry your loss .Prayers for prayers for family.

Barbara Willis - May 22, 2017 at 11:09 AM

BJ

Prayers for the family during this different time

Barbara Johnson - May 23, 2017 at 04:21 PM

Debra Fesmire

Thank you both! Please pray for us!

Debra Fesmire - June 06, 2017 at 10:28 AM