



## James "Jim" Lee Metzger

December 11, 1941 - April 7, 2025

James "Jim" Lee Metzger, age 83, of Wagoner, Oklahoma, passed away peacefully surrounded by the love of his family on Monday, April 7, 2025. Born on December 11, 1941, in Muskogee, Oklahoma, Jim was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and friend.

Jim's educational journey began at Washington Elementary, continued through Alice Robertson Jr. High, and culminated at Muskogee Central High School.

On September 30, 1959, he married the love of his life, Janet Kay Broaddus, in Muskogee. Their marriage spanned over 65 glorious years, filled with shared experiences, love, and treasured memories.

Jim's professional life included a stint at Continental Trailways before he ventured into entrepreneurship by establishing his own construction business, Jim Metzger Construction, from which he retired in 2023. His passion for life was evident through his hobbies, which included riding horses, calf roping, knife making, and tinkering with old cars. Above all, Jim cherished the time spent with his family.

He was preceded in death by his son, Jeffrey Wayne Metzger.

Jim leaves behind his devoted wife, Janet, of their home; his daughter, Valerie Michals (David), of Evans, Georgia; his sons, James R. Metzger, of Wagoner, Oklahoma, and Jay W. Metzger (Pam), of Kirbyville, Missouri; his grandchildren, Payden Metzger (Stephanie), Lane Metzger, Katie Metzger, Racheal Berry (Ethan), Cortney Metzger, Kaitlin Michals, and Christopher Michals; his great-grandchildren, Brinly Metzger, Jett Metzger, Jaylee Metzger, and twins, Colt and June Berry; along with other family members and friends.

Jim Metzger's legacy of love, dedication, and passion for life will continue to inspire those who were fortunate enough to know him. He will be deeply missed but forever remembered in the hearts of his family and friends.

The family will receive friends on Sunday, April 13, 2025, from 3-5 PM at Cornerstone Funeral Home.

A celebration of Jim's life will be held on Monday, April 14, 2025, at 11 AM at Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Donnie Echols officiating. Interment will follow at Three Rivers Cemetery in Okay, Oklahoma. Pallbearers for the service will include Payden Metzger, Ethan Berry, Lane Metzger, Randy Broaddus, Christopher Michals, and Robert Broaddus.

In lieu of flowers, in Jim's honor, please donate online to the American Kidney Fund @ <https://give.kidneyfund.org/>.

# Cemetery Details

## Three Rivers Cemetery

Okay, OK

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 12. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory  
1830 North York Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403  
(918) 682-1500

## Visitation

APR 13. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory  
1830 North York Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403  
(918) 682-1500

## Family to greet friends

APR 13. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home & Crematory  
1830 North York Street  
Muskogee, OK 74403  
(918) 682-1500

## Celebration of Life

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APR **14**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Cornerstone Funeral Home Chapel  
1830 N. York St.  
Muskogee, OK 74403

# Tribute Wall

DG

“ Jim was a very good man. We always enjoyed when he came in the Barbershop. I'm glad that I got the opportunity to give him his last haircut. He will be truly missed and always in our hearts  
Ft. Gibson Barbershop  
Derek, Brenda and Chasity



Derek & Brenda Gawf - April 14, 2025 at 05:20 PM

BT

“ Bruce and Teresa Tice purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of James "Jim" Lee Metzger.



Bruce and Teresa Tice - April 11, 2025 at 02:31 PM

BT

“ Bruce and Teresa Tice planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Jim" Lee Metzger.

Bruce and Teresa Tice - April 11, 2025 at 02:31 PM

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“ Terry and Felicia Travers purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James "Jim" Lee Metzger.



Terry and Felicia Travers - April 11, 2025 at 08:22 AM

PJ

“ Pat and Linda Jones purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James "Jim" Lee Metzger.



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Pat and Linda Jones - April 10, 2025 at 08:16 AM

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“ Pat and Linda Jones planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Jim" Lee Metzger.

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Pat and Linda Jones - April 10, 2025 at 08:16 AM

GL

“ Gailord and Lisa Lindell purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of James "Jim" Lee Metzger.



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Gailord and Lisa Lindell - April 08, 2025 at 02:32 PM

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“ Gailord and Lisa Lindell planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Lee Metzger.

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Gailord and Lisa Lindell - April 08, 2025 at 02:32 PM