



## James A. Basinger Jr.

October 1, 1941 - September 5, 2023

Jim Basinger died September 5, 2023, at Pelham Medical Center after a brief illness.

He was born October 1, 1941, in Jackson, Mississippi, the son of James and Margaret Cole Basinger.

Mr. Basinger was a lifelong entrepreneur who started and sold many businesses. Always great with his hands, he made a living servicing gas meters across the South where he enjoyed getting to know and entertain many clients. An avid fisher and hunter, he always enjoyed having the greatest toys to play with, buying clothes only made in the USA, the Clemson Tigers, Danny Ford, and spending time with his grandchildren and loyal dogs. Mr. Basinger is survived by his wife of 61 years, Betty Lou Wade Basinger; two daughters, Beth Brown, Julie Barnard; and her husband Howard; five grandchildren, Wade Tillman Greer, Sarah Barnard Watson, James Cole Barnard, Ella Rose Barnard, and Luke Brown.

He was predeceased by his sister, Linda Basinger Moon, and his granddaughter Caroline Brown.

A small family gathering will be held at the home this Sunday at 1pm, with larger plans to be made later in the Fall on his beloved Lake Hartwell. In lieu of flowers or donations, the family invites you to spend a sunny day outside with family and friends.

Online condolences may be made to [www.thewoodmortuary.com](http://www.thewoodmortuary.com).



# Tribute Wall

WF

“ *Bette and family I was so sorry to learn of Jim's passing please know that you all are still in my prayers and I just know that By now Jim and Larry have found a fishing hole to enjoy in heaven and Jo will be there to bait their hooks. Much love being sent your way. May He Rest in Peace*  
*Wilton Fowler*

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**Wilton Fowler** - September 14, 2023 at 09:51 AM

DK

“ *Darlene Key lit a candle in memory of James Basinger*



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**Darlene Key** - September 10, 2023 at 08:18 AM

EH

“ *Eleanor Watson, William's grandmother. My deepest sympathy....Please tell Mrs Betty, I was so impressed with her and her daughters, first at Sarah's shower, then at the wedding! Such a sweet lady, we just connected so easily! I know she will be be lost! My husband passed after 63 years, being together for many years , it is very hard when they are gone, I understand. My love and prayers are with her and all the family.*

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**Eleanor B Watson Home** - September 08, 2023 at 07:49 AM

PB

*“ I didn't get to see Jim a lot but when I did, he was fun to be around. He loved the Clemson Tigers. He loved going to the games. I believe he enjoyed life at its fullest. He will see all of our loved ones in heaven.*



**Paulette Blackwell** - September 06, 2023 at 06:28 PM

DB

*I'm so sorry to hear about Mr Jim's passing. What a great man, dad, and friend to many. Jim introduced me to Clemson football and I always enjoyed time at his home or on an adventure with him and his family. Our families shared great memories growing up together and I will surely treasure them!! I know he is looking down on us and on his Clemson Tigers today ( Saturday)*

*Love, Andrew Briwn*

**Drew Brown** - September 09, 2023 at 10:04 AM

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*I will miss Jim. He was like "I'll top that!" kinda guy! He was generous, loving, and kind to all he met. Jim was a Mason. I'll miss talking to him and discussing his garden's yield and his chickens! He was a dedicated husband and father. I don't think anyone could have loved their wife and kids more than Jim loved his. As long as I live, I will remember him.*

**Charlene and Ronnie** - September 09, 2023 at 04:45 PM

MM

*Sad to hear about my Uncle's Jim passing! He helped me so much during my youth. He inspired in me a love for Clemson football, fishing, and hunting. I will never forget the lessons he taught me.*

**Marty Moon** - October 27, 2023 at 02:28 PM