



## **J Benton Mason Jr.**

March 16, 1945 - February 24, 2025

J. Benton Mason Jr., age 79, of Fairfield, Texas, passed away on February 24, 2025. He was born on March 16, 1945, in Grand Prairie, Texas, to J.B. Sr. and Floy Mason.

J. Benton is survived by his loving wife, Diane Mason, his children, Daniel Roberts and wife Amie, Colleen McNaughton and husband Pete, Sharon John and husband Melvin, Jamie Alford Mason, Jessica Mason, and Alexis Mertz and husband Michael. He is also survived by his siblings, Marian Manning, Betty Sabastian and husband Billy, Linda Black, and Paula Straight, along with 13 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A proud American, J. Benton served his country with honor in the U.S. Navy from 1965 to 1969 aboard the USS Ranger Aircraft Carrier. His service left a lasting impact on him, including hearing loss, but he remained proud of his time in the military.

Benton graduated from Justin F. Kimball High School in Dallas in 1963. He spent his career working for Ballard Electric, Henderson Electric, and Owens Corning before retiring from the Walmart Distribution Center in Palestine, Texas.

Beyond his work, Benton had a variety of passions. He was a proud member of the Sons of Confederate Army and had a deep love for fishing, hunting, and collecting coins and stamps. A creative and skilled craftsman, he enjoyed making unique lamps out of electric meters.

J. Benton was a devoted member of the Methodist Church in Fairfield, where he found faith and community.

Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Visitation with the family will be held on Monday, March 3, 2025, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home.

J. Benton will be remembered for his service, his craftsmanship, and the love he shared with his family and friends. His legacy will live on in the hearts of those who knew and loved him.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 3. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Fairfield  
450 East Main Street  
Fairfield, TX 75840  
(903) 389-9217  
[info@griffin-rougton.com](mailto:info@griffin-rougton.com)

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ *Jami and Bailey purchased the Simply Elegant S pathiphyllum for the family of J Benton Mason Jr..*



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**Jami and Bailey** - March 03, 2025 at 10:28 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of J Benton Mason Jr..*

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March 03, 2025 at 08:38 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of J Benton Mason Jr..*



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March 03, 2025 at 08:38 AM

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“ *I am so sorry to hear of J.B.'s passing. He was a great guy and a good friend to the men of the John H. Reagan Camp of Sons of Confederate Veterans. I will have the family in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Dwight Franklin** - March 01, 2025 at 09:10 PM

CS

“ Cook Children's Health Care Systems purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of J Benton Mason Jr..



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**Cook Children's Health Care Systems** - February 27, 2025 at 01:34 PM

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“ Marian Manning purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of J Benton Mason Jr..



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**Marian Manning** - February 26, 2025 at 04:51 PM

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“ Marian Manning planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of J Benton Mason Jr..

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**Marian Manning** - February 26, 2025 at 04:51 PM

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“ Cupid, Radiant, and Beaker teams purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of J Benton Mason Jr..



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**Cupid, Radiant, and Beaker teams** - February 26, 2025 at 12:47 PM

TR

“ To the family of Mr. Mason, I am deeply sorry for your loss. My heart goes out to you, and I wish you comfort, peace and strength. Mr. Mason, it was truly a blessing knowing you. You fought a long hard fight to the very end, I will miss you, but I know that you are healed and in a better place. From one Kimball Knight to another Knight well done Mr. Mason, take your rest.



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**Tonya Roberts** - February 26, 2025 at 12:29 PM



*We love you !*

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**Jessica Mason** - March 02, 2025 at 08:20 AM