



## James Murray

October 9, 1932 - January 3, 2021

James Roosevelt Murray “Red”, 88, went home to be with the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ Sunday, January 3, 2021. He passed away at home surrounded by family in Purdon. He was born on October 9, 1932 in Purdon, Texas to Major Alton and Bernice Murray. He was a proud veteran, a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, and friend. He loved spending time with family, working on the farm, and he was fire chief at the Pursley Volunteer Fire Department for many years. He was also a member of the Pursley Cemetery Association for years and a member of the Pursley Missionary Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Jo Murray; brother, AM Murray; Sisters, Laverne Brooks and Betty Jean Bland; children, James Darren Murray, Lori Murray Boyte, Benny Taylor, Billy Taylor, and Ricky Taylor.

He is survived by his stepchildren, Reggie Taylor of Terrell and Charles Beasley of Canton; grandchildren, Michael Withrow and wife Sarah of Corsicana, Courtney Aguado and husband Josh of Corsicana, Dakota Murray and wife Natalie of Midland, Brock Murray of Corsicana, Erick Taylor and wife Allison of Forney, Jessica Taylor of Forney, and Rachel Hogue and husband Benjamin of Brenham; great grandchildren, Alena, Josie, Rigger, Addisyn, Brenley, James, Bradley, Jared, Karlie, and Allison and several nieces and nephews.

Pallbearers will be Michael Withrow, Dakota Murray, Brock Murray, Josh Aguado, Riggen Aguado, Brian Murray, and Scott Andrews. Honorary pallbearers will be Alton Bud Murray, Eddie Villarreal, and Don Caldwell.

Visitation will be held Thursday, January 7th from 6-8pm at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Services will be held Friday, January 8th at 2pm at Griffin-Roughton Chapel with Rev. Chet Brake officiating. Burial will follow at Pursley Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Pursley Volunteer Fire Department or Pursley Missionary Baptist Church.

Link to service livestream: <http://webcast.funeralvue.com/events/login/44813>  
Password: JRMurray1821

# Cemetery Details

## New Pursley

Farm Market 642  
Purdon, TX 76679

# Previous Events

## Family Visitation

JAN 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Corsicana  
1530 N. 45th Street  
Corsicana, TX 75110  
(903) 874-4774  
info@griffin-roughton.com

## Celebration of Life

JAN 8. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of James Murray



Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home - January 07, 2021 at 05:54 PM



*Thanks for a beautiful visual tribute to a wonderful man!*

Terry Loftis - January 26, 2021 at 11:10 PM



“ James Murray

October 08, 2023 at 12:04 PM



“ Sorry to be late in reaching this site, but to the large extended family of J. R. Murray, you have my deepest sympathy and prayers. JR was much more than my relative, he was a wonderful friend to my family and I, he was a mentor, a role model, and a man I will always admire. We will all miss him deeply!  
God bless you all,  
Terry & Susan Loftis

Terry Loftis - January 26, 2021 at 11:28 PM

AN

“ *Murray Family,  
I was very sorry to read of Mr Murray's passing. He and Jo were  
dear friends of my parents, Margie & Charlie Flynn.*

*Rembering you,  
Guy and Ailsa (Flynn) Anderson*

*[May] the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, ...  
guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

*- Philippians 4:7*

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**Anderson** - January 18, 2021 at 03:34 AM

RG

“ *Robin A. Greer lit a candle in memory of  
James Murray*

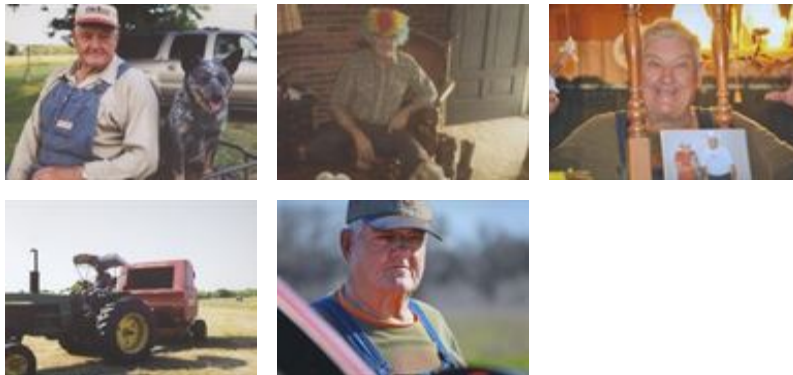


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**Robin A. Greer** - January 08, 2021 at 05:48 PM



“ *88 files added to the album Life Tributes*



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**Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home** - January 07, 2021 at 01:11 PM

TC

“ Reggie and Family, we are praying that God will surround you with His love and peace today and in the days to come. Remember, because of the hope we have in Christ, this is not goodbye, but see you later. Love and prayers, Tony and Tammie Cole

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**Tony Cole** - January 07, 2021 at 08:24 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Murray.



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January 06, 2021 at 08:09 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James Murray.



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January 06, 2021 at 11:08 AM

CM

“ Chase Owens MD purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of James Murray.



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**Chase Owens MD** - January 05, 2021 at 08:44 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Murray.*



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January 05, 2021 at 11:07 AM



“ *Ours prayers are with all of you during this very difficult time*

*Kelly and Michelle Trull*



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**Michelle Young** - January 05, 2021 at 10:31 AM



“ *Judy Brown lit a candle in memory of James Murray*



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**Judy Brown** - January 04, 2021 at 05:51 PM

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“ Bud, Bryan, Cindy, Kathy, Courtney and the entire Murray family, Not only have you lost a Wonderful Patriarch but we have all lost a true Pillar of our Community."J.R."never lost his faith in humanity always maintaining the true compassion to ask about his neighbors and willing to lend a hand if he was able. Honorable, kind, forthright, hardworking.

we love you "Red" you earned your wings fly high. our prayers are with the entire family.

Danny and Angie

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**Angie and Danny Dyer** - January 04, 2021 at 09:26 AM

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“ Angie And Danny Dyer lit a candle in memory of James Murray



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**Angie and Danny Dyer** - January 04, 2021 at 09:06 AM