



Mr. James Franklin Blackwell

July 20, 1961 - January 3, 2023

Memorial services for Mr. James Blackwell, 61, of Carthage, Texas will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 8, 2023, at the Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Mark Manning officiating. Burial will be in the Newburn Cemetery in Center, Texas.

Mr. James Franklin Blackwell was born on July 20, 1961, in Carthage, Texas. He passed this life on January 3, 2023, in Carthage, Texas. James was one of two children born to the marriage of Frank Delano and Lelma Cozette Davis Blackwell. He was raised and schooled in Gary and would finish schools in Center through the Central Christian Academy.

Mr. Blackwell was a lifelong professional painter, employing and teaching many the painting trade. He was raised and baptized in the Enterprise Baptist Church and was a member of the Carthage Missionary Baptist Church. James was an avid Dallas Cowboy fan and love old country music. He is preceded in death by his, Father and a sister, Melissa Karen Blackwell. Mr. Blackwell is survived by his loving mother, Cozette McNeely of Carthage; son, Justin Bernal of Denver, Colorado; Step mother, Delois Blackwell of Nacogdoches; step sister, Delisa Carroll and husband Randy of Center; aunt Betty Ceal of Center; cousins, Thomas Wayne Russell and wife Kimberly of Carthage, Trent Allen Russell of Martinsville, Melissa Ann Mines of Center, Pam White and husband Danny of Aiken, Kenneth Ceal and wife Barbara of Shelbyville; numerous other relatives and a host of friends.

The family suggests memorials in his memory to Hawthorn Funeral Home for

expenses.

A guestbook can be signed at www.hawthornfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Newburn Cemetery

Center, TX

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 8. 2:00 PM (CT)

Hawthorn Funeral Home Chapel
307 W Wellington St.
Carthage, Tx

Tribute Wall

DH

“ *What a great friend and great person this good man was. I always looked up to him every since I was a kid. One of the best stories that my brother and his friends would tell about him involved him swinging on the chandelier of the southern swing .lol. He would always put you in a cheerful mood*❤️

Dewayne Hendrick - August 05, 2025 at 02:22 AM

BM

“ *So sorry for your loss COZETTE and family, love Betty Britton Melton*



Betty Melton - January 08, 2023 at 06:00 PM

PH

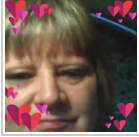
So sorry for your loss

Pattie Elliott Harkness - January 09, 2023 at 08:47 PM

KH

“ *We were all teenagers together and still remained friends up until the day he passed we will miss him with all our hearts we shared so many memories through the years and our hearts are saddened for the loss of James may our prayers be with family and other friends as we say our good byes until we meet again fly high buddy we know you are in heaven*

kenneth & Lisa Harris - January 07, 2023 at 07:21 PM



“ We r so sorry for your loss.. Prayers for the family..James was a good friend..

Rhonda Hendricks - January 07, 2023 at 12:43 PM

AL

So sorry. Such nice person. Always cheerful and energetic and helping others. Very good painter. Stood behind his work. We miss james !

adrian and rita ledda - May 01, 2023 at 09:00 PM

BW

“ Belinda Wilson, Josh Williamson purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Mr. James Franklin Blackwell.



Belinda Wilson, Josh Williamson - January 06, 2023 at 10:21 PM

CG

“ Candy Grant lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Franklin Blackwell



Candy Grant - January 06, 2023 at 09:34 AM

MB

“ Met James 34 yrs ago thru my sister Lisa & husband kenny, talked to him off & on thru the yrs...my thoughts & prayers go out to all...



Mary Bolton - January 06, 2023 at 07:21 AM

BH

“ *Barbara Hicks lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Franklin Blackwell*



Barbara Hicks - January 05, 2023 at 03:52 PM

JW

“ *Judy Willard lit a candle in memory of Mr. James Franklin Blackwell*



Judy Willard - January 05, 2023 at 02:26 PM

JW

“ *My prayers are with yall. James was a good man.*

Judy Willard - January 05, 2023 at 02:23 PM