



James Dortch

January 30, 1999 - January 5, 2012

Visitation services for Mr. James Dortch, 57 of Toledo Bend, LA will be 4-6:00 p.m., Saturday, January 7, 2012 at the Hawthorn Funeral Home in Carthage, Texas. A memorial fish fry will be held following the visitation. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Hawthorn Funeral Home. Mr. Dortch died January 5, 2012 in Shreveport, LA.

Mr. James Walter Dortch was born January 30, 1954 in Wiggins, Mississippi to the marriage of Homer Hebert and Dorothy Oris Turner Dortch, Jr. He was schooled in Carthage and Quitman graduating from Carthage High School with the class of 1972. James married Mary Louise Pierce on Valentines Day of 1973. Mr. Dortch worked as a field tech for several heat treating companies. His life centered around loving family and fishing. He never met a stranger, and when someone met him they rarely forgot him. He was there to help, to entertain, to love. He is preceded in death by his father, sister, Laura Dortch, brother-in-law, Troy Pierce and his wife Bobbie.

He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Louise Pierce Dortch, daughter, Jaclyn Suzanne Dortch Bretz and husband Brian of Loretto, PA, granddaughter, Gwendalyn Grace Bretz, mother, Dorothy Dortch of Shreveport, brother, Herbert DeWayne Dortch and wife Rhonda of Houston, sister, Rebecca Dortch Greer and husband Randy of Pleasanton, brother-in-law William "Bill" Pierce and wife Debbie of Carthage, nephew, Jordan Greer of Tyler, niece, Mandi Pierce and fiancé Chris Field of Houston, many loved aunts, uncles and cousins.

Tribute Wall



“ We send our condolences. God bless, you Louise. We appreciate your life and all you do for our family.##imported-begin##Lee & Athel Pierce##imported-end##

January 09, 2012 at 12:19 PM



“ Thoughts and prayers are with Louise and other members of James' family. He was a very warm, nice fellow who really knew how to enjoy life. I know that he will be missed and fondly remembered by all who knew him.##imported-begin##Keenan Gingles##imported-end##

January 09, 2012 at 09:11 AM



“ You will be forever loved and missed, but NEVER forgotten! We know you are in Heaven smiling down upon us all and teaching God a thing or two about how to "really" fry fish. :-) We love you James!!! Keep those angels on their toes until we get there!!##imported-begin##Michael and Courtney Cummings##imported-end##

January 08, 2012 at 01:06 PM



“ Louise--So sorry to hear this sad news. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time. James was such a special person and he will be greatly missed. May God comfort and keep you close. God bless, Lynn and Marshall##imported-begin##Lynn Stewart##imported-end##

January 08, 2012 at 08:55 AM



“ Louise and family, My most sincere sympathies and condolences go out to you and all your family for your great loss. Our prayers and thoughts are with you. Joe and family.##imported-begin##Joe Pierce##imported-end##

January 07, 2012 at 04:25 PM



“ Louise I was saddened to hear about the loss of James, I'm sorry that I will not be able to attend his visitation service.

Just know that you and the rest of the family will be in my prayers and that God will guide you thru this phase of your life 23RD PSALM did help me get thru my husband's passing. In Christian love to you take care of yourself . Sara##imported-begin##Sara Hollingsworth##imported-end##

January 07, 2012 at 04:22 PM



“ Your legacy is one every man should aspire to. Thanks James, vaya con Dios.##imported-begin##Chris Pierce##imported-end##

January 07, 2012 at 10:06 AM



“ We have such wonderful memories of times spent with James. His smile always lit up any room and his laughter was spontaneous and contagious to everyone around him. He will be forever in our hearts. Our love and prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##Charlie and Leisa Lawhorn##imported-end##

January 06, 2012 at 08:20 PM



“ Dear Louise and Family,
My heart and prayers are with you all. James was a wonderful and caring man. I am saddened by his loss. Barbara Bounds Sadak###imported-begin###Barbara Anne Bounds Sadak###imported-end##

January 06, 2012 at 10:54 AM



“ Louise&Jackie Im sorry for your loss my thoughts and prayers are with you.I have many great memories of James he was a great friend, coworker,&mentor to me .He will always be in my thoughts James may be gone but he wont be forgotten may Bubba rest in peace.Sincerly,Brian Tuttle###imported-begin###Brian Tuttle###imported-end##

January 06, 2012 at 09:31 AM



“ Louise, Jackie, and family, I am so very sorry to hear of your great loss. I have always enjoyed hearing about and seeing photos of James' great times with you and the very obvious love he found in his family and the joy he apparently found in life whether it was wonderful family time, a good catch that day, or whatever good news you were kind enough to share with the rest of us, Louise. Please know that I'm thinking of you and sending you lots of love.###imported-begin###Deanna Pierce###imported-end##

January 05, 2012 at 09:17 PM