



Mr. Jimmy Lee Sherrod

December 17, 1946 - February 16, 2026

Obituary

Jimmy Lee Sherrod was born December 17, 1946, in Noxubee County to the late Fred and Emma Sams Sherrod. Jimmy Lee departed life on February 16, 2026. He spent that entire day surrounded by his family and friends.

Jimmy Lee was born and raised in Noxubee County, but later moved to and lived in Columbus, Mississippi. He confessed Christ during his life and was a faithful member of The Word Church. He served as an armor bearer there until he was unable to. He took that responsibility seriously and stood with watchful pride — guarding and serving with the focus and dedication of the Secret Service, but always with a warm smile. Jimmy Lee was a man who worked with his hands for many years in construction. He built fences and installed pools for local companies. He built things that lasted and filled backyards with love and laughter for many families. He absolutely loved rabbit hunting with his friends and if there was some water

nearby with some fish in it, he was going to go fishing. Jimmy Lee was a construction worker by trade but a provider by nature.

Beyond his work and hobbies, Jimmy Lee was a steady presence and a father figure to many of his nieces and nephews. He loved them deeply and took his role in their lives seriously. If they needed guidance, correction, or just someone to listen, Uncle Jimmy Lee was there. His sisters trusted him to help keep the children straight, and more than once, a phone call would come when someone needed a firm but loving word. He carried that responsibility with pride.

Even in correction, his humor was never far behind. Jimmy Lee had a quick wit and a playful spirit that could lighten any room. He could make you laugh even when you were trying to stay serious, and his laughter was the kind that made everyone else join in. His sense of humor, combined with his strength and steady love, left a lasting mark on everyone blessed to know him.

He is preceded in death by his loving wife, Mary Jean Sherrod; his father, Fred Sherrod; his mom, Emma Sams Sherrod; his brothers, James Sherrod Sr., Jessie Lee Sherrod; his sisters, Edith Sherrod, Freddie Mae Summerville, Rebecca Blevins, Rosie Lee Thomas, Emma Sherrod, Mollie Jenkins, and Callie Ruth Williams.

He leaves to cherish his memory three sons, Fredrick (Tanya) Lee Porter and Derrick Porter,

of Columbus, MS, and Wardell (Latrina) Crockrell of Atlanta, GA; three daughters, Stephanie Gandy, Joanne Porter Jones, Charlotte P. Williams, all of Columbus, MS; three sisters Fannie Sherrod, Betty (D.C.) Mitchell of Columbus, MS, and Susie (Eddie) Hendricks of Bridgeport, CT; 13 grandchildren; and a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church Cemetery

5110 Union Bluff Road
Brooksville, MS 39739

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 27. 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Hairston & Hairston Funeral Homes - Columbus
1123 5th Ave N
Columbus, MS 39701
(662) 328-1730

Funeral Service

FEB 28. 12:00 PM (CT)

Word Church International
366 Carson Road
Crawford, MS 39743

Rev. John Sanders, officiating

Tribute Wall

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I love you Uncle Jimmy Lee ❤️ take your rest.

Valarie Williams - February 26 at 01:23 AM