



## James Ronald Blake

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There is a time for everything, a season for every activity under heaven:

A time to be born and a time to die,

A time to plant and a time to uproot...

A time to tear down and a time to build,

A time to weep and a time to laugh,

A time to mourn and a time to dance.... (Ecclesiastes 3:1-8)

James was a resident of Denham Springs, and he was a loving husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, uncle and friend. All that knew him also knew his heart. He was a "say what you mean and mean what you say" kind of man. He was a man with a huge heart and only saw the good in everyone and will be missed dearly by all who knew and loved him. He enjoyed many things, like boxing, racing, dancing, gathering with family and friends, and being silly as "Papa" with his grandchildren, who meant the world to him. He was a veteran who proudly served in the U.S. Navy with honor. James departed this earthly life at the age of 71. He is preceded in death by his parents Dorothy Kinchen and Leonard Blake of Leesville, Louisiana. He is survived by his loving wife and best friend of 32 years Shelia Kelley Blake, daughters, Sheila Blake and Kimberlee Blake, son, Nicholas Blake (Jill), stepson, Joseph Kelley (Rosanna), stepdaughter, Britney Hill (Clint), and his 8 grandchildren Kayden, Karson, Trystian, Brailyn, Atley, Torryn, Chris and Alexa, sister, Bonnie

Graves, nephew, Wyatt Graves, niece, Brittany Phillips and just like a son, Dustin Spurlock, along with close friends that were like family. Relatives and friends are invited to attend visitation from 11:00a.m. until the memorial service begins at 11:30a.m. July 21, 2017 at the chapel of McLin & Manley Funeral Home and Cremation Services, with a celebration of life to follow at a nearby location for close family and friends. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to his wife for funeral expenses. The family would like to thank everyone for their kind words during this time. Online condolences may be left at [www.mclinfuneralhome.com](http://www.mclinfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 21. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

McLin Funeral Home and Cremation Service  
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