



James "Jimmy" A Ecker III

June 16, 1952 - July 24, 2020

James A. Ecker III (Jimmy), age 68, died at his home at 9:30 AM on Friday, July 24, 2020, succumbing to idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis. He was surrounded by family when he passed.

Jimmy was born on June 16, 1952 at the Army Navy Hospital in Hot Springs, AR to James A Ecker Jr. and Patsy Austin Ecker.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Kris Ecker.

Jimmy is survived by his wife, Shellee Ecker. They were married for over 47 years. He also leaves behind two sons, eight grandchildren, and one great grandson: James A. Ecker IV (Jake) and his wife, Michelle, and grandsons, Carson and Ryan Ecker; Christopher J. Ecker (Josh), and his wife, Erin, and grandchildren, Ariel, Matt, Seth, Cassie, Abby, and Katie, and great grandson, Gage Ecker, along with many loving cousins and friends.

Jimmy graduated from Hot Springs High School in 1972, and served in the US Army at Fort Monroe, VA, at the end of the Vietnam War. Jimmy worked for Union Carbide for ten years, and then at B & F Engineering until he retired.

Jimmy was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend, and he will be sorely missed.

Tribute Wall

VS

“ I was saddened to read of Jimmy's passing ,He was my first boyfriend when we went to school together in Hot Springs,Arkansas. I left Hot Springs in 1976, and moved to Waterloo, N.Y. I was saddened to hear of the passing of several of our mutual friends , my biggest regret is to have not stayed in touch . I relocated to Florence,Colorado in May of 2025 after loosing the love of my life, Roger Bruce Crane my husband of 36 yrs.in Waterloo,N.Y.

Violet L. Sleeper,Crane - October 21, 2025 at 04:05 PM

SH

“ A gentle, giving, and generous man he was always there for my family. He can not be replaced only very fondly remembered. Love you man.

Shawn - July 30, 2020 at 12:02 PM

LD

“ I worked with Jim for many years at B&F, He was a hard worker and always had a kind word about everyone. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Laurel Dykes - July 27, 2020 at 03:19 PM

GR

“ Sad to read Jim has passed away. Jim was a loyal employee at B&F Engineering. We will be praying for you.

GARY RYLES - July 26, 2020 at 10:08 AM

CF

“ Jimmy you are the only person on the planet that could verify that in a horseshoe game we were in we discussed the rules inside the horns is 2 points a leener 3 points a ringers 5 points I said what if the shoe lands on top of the stob and you said they would be lifetime champions

The very next toss I landed a shoe on pot of the stob the stob was a 3/4 inch pipe and the horn on the shoe hung in the hole of the stob
YOU THEN PRONOUNCED ME LIFETIME CHAMPION OF HORSESHOES

Charlie Faulkner - July 25, 2020 at 10:56 PM

JB

“ Jim I'll miss you forever. We've been friends for almost 60yrs. I can't accept your not being here. The times we've shared I'll remember forever. I love you man!

Jimmy Bennett - July 25, 2020 at 10:38 PM

DM

“ Great memories drinking coffee on the front porch at the farm, listening to Jimmy and Dennis telling stories about growing up. Rest In Peace.

Darlene Millard - July 25, 2020 at 08:09 PM