



## Jimmy "Jim" Petty

October 5, 1942 - February 19, 2010

Passed away Friday, Feb 19, 2010, at his home. Jimmy was born October 5, 1942, in Milan TN, the son of Arthur and Pearl Petty. Jimmy Loved hunting, fishing, golfing, playing poker, and shooting pool. He had served the Bloomingdale community in many ways from being Village Clerk, firefighter, member of the Jaycees and being a lifetime member of the Bloomingdale Conservation Club. He is survived by his wife of 48 years, Shirley; 3 children, Mendy (Edward) Swearingen of Grand Junction, Tandy (Steven) Larson of Allegan, Carrie Levering of Grand Junction; 6 grandchildren, Jennifer, Michael, Eddie Elaine, Jenny Lynn and Robby; 5 great grandchildren, Andrew, Alyssa, Alex, Zack and Kory; a brother, Haze Petty of TN; Several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Inell Clardy. The family will meet friends Wednesday 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM at the BLOOMINGDALE CHAPEL, D. L. Miller Funeral Home [www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com](http://www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com), where funeral services will be held at 1:00 PM, Pastor Tim Secord officiating. The family suggests memorial contributions to the American Heart Association.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 24. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Bloomingtondale Chapel  
203 East Spring Street  
Bloomingtondale, MI

## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *THOUGH JIM WAS MY UNCLE, HE WAS ONLY 5 YEARS OLDER THAN ME AND IT SEEMED WE KIND OF GREW UP TOGETHER IN THE SAME GENERATION. KAREN AND I ALWAYS ENJOYED OUR VISITS WITH JIM AND SHIRLEY WHETHER THEY TOOK PLACE IN TENNESSEE OR MICHIGAN. WE REALLY HAD SOME SPECIAL TIMES TOGETHER - MT. BALDY, WINERY VISITS, LATHAM'S BARBEQUE, CAB RIDE TO BEALE STREET JUST TO NAME A FEW. THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES.##imported-begin##CHUCK & KAREN PETTY ##imported-end##*

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March 03, 2010 at 10:43 AM



“ My uncle, my friend..... I will miss him so much. We had many long distance calls between Michigan and Alabama. We'd have the best conversations and laughed a lot. Then after my beloved mother, Inell (Petty) Clardy passed away, Jim would call even more, wanting to check on his sister's "kids" and make sure we were ok. My mother and Jim were so much alike. They loved people and loved life; they never ever met a stranger; they lived, loved and laughed abundantly.

Jim, Shirley & family would go to Panama City, FL to the beach and visit with my mom/dad & 2 brothers & their families. My husband, 2 children and I would go to the beach at the same time so we could all be together. It was always so much fun. About 3 years ago, the last time Jim was on the beach, he and I were standing together and talking, watching the waves roll in, and with tears in his eyes, he told me it would probably be his last trip to Panama City. It broke my heart to hear his words, but he was right.... And at his funeral I heard his words in my heart once again... and remembered all the fun memories throughout the years. My heart is truly broken now, knowing I will never pick up the phone and hear his sweet, caring, loving, jolly voice again.

Shirley, Mendy, Tandy, Carrie, Eddie, I pray that God will lift you up and carry you in his loving hands, as only He can do. We love you.##imported-begin##Sande Carson##imported-end##

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February 28, 2010 at 06:13 PM



“ Tandy, sorry for your loss of your father the memorys of all the good times will always be with you. you and your mother is in my prayers.##imported-begin##franny mcnally##imported-end##

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February 27, 2010 at 08:55 AM



“ *The funeral was very nice, Jimmy Don was loved by his family and friends and will be missed by everyone.##imported-begin##Tammy Byess##imported-end##*

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February 26, 2010 at 09:08 AM



“ *Mendy,  
My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.##imported-begin##Judy Rainey##imported-end##*

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February 23, 2010 at 11:50 PM



“ *Dear Petty Family,*

*I hope you are able to find comfort in the good memories shared with Jim. My prayers and thoughts are with you all.*

*-Don##imported-begin##Don Underwood##imported-end##*

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February 23, 2010 at 01:59 PM



“ *Shirley, Mendy, Tandy, and Carrie...What a shock to hear of your Dad's passing. We feel very badly about the pain your family is experiencing right now. We will always remember Jim as a man who was friendly, fair in his business dealings, and who judged each person on their own merits...not their social standing. More than one family in our little community would not have their homes if Jim hadn't been willing to take a chance on them. He was a good man, and he will be missed by many.... God Bless.##imported-begin##Mary and Andy Potts##imported-end##*

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February 23, 2010 at 09:55 AM



“ To the Petty family....i am so sorry for your lose. i remmber when you guys use to babysit me when i was little and i remmber going into the bangor bank and always seeing Mr. Petty there and he would always wave at me and simle at me and ask me how i was doing and stuff like that....Mr Petty will be missed by so many...My thought and prayers are with you guys during this hard time...I will always remmber Mr Petty.##imported-begin##Mary Wendell##imported-end##

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February 23, 2010 at 09:29 AM



“ to the petty family,  
my heart,thoughts and prayers are with  
each and every one of you at this difficult time.

sincerely,Mary McKenna.##imported-begin##Mary  
McKenna##imported-end##

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February 22, 2010 at 05:08 PM



“ Shirley,Mendy,Tandy and Carrie i am sorry for your loss, you are all in my prayers at this difficult time, always remember the memories he left behind for all of us to smile and say Thanks Jim i remember. God be with you all.##imported-begin##Sandra Sincler##imported-end##

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February 22, 2010 at 10:37 AM



“ Dear Shirley & Family,  
Although it has been a few years since we saw you both, we often think about Jim and You. He was a gifted banker, whom we did many years of business together, most of all he was a very good friend. Shirley we really want to send to you our deepest condolences with the loss of your beloved husband. Also give our condolences to your entire family. Jim will be missed by us as well as many others. Our prayers are with you and your entire family. ##imported-begin## John & Kathy Koldenhof Lake Havasu City, AZ ##imported-end##

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February 21, 2010 at 09:48 PM



“ Our hearts go out to you in this time. Jim and I did not have a lot of time to get to know each other, but the memories will last a lifetime. My granny, Inell, loved Jim and spoke to me about him all the time when I was a child. We lost Inell (my Granny) nearly 14 years ago. I feel privileged to have spent the time we had together and I know you must feel the same about Jim. I only wish I could have spent more time getting to know Jim myself.

I'm sure they are somewhere playing cards and joking around like they always did right now. Let this not be the end, but only a new beginning. Live, love and remember the beautiful times we have together. We'll have plenty of time to join in the game when it's our time. Never forget our loved ones will always be near to us until then. ##imported-begin## Garry & Jennifer Barton ##imported-end##

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February 21, 2010 at 12:32 PM



“ Jimmy Don is a man I remember that was always full of life, love of his family and friends. Enjoyed the good things in life wether it was a great meal or a vacation with family. Loved his soul mate Shirley with all his heart. So very proud of his children Mendy, Tandy, and Carrie. I think of a line from a Jimmy Buffett song. Jimmy some of it was magic some of it tragic but I had a good life all the way. Jimmy Don now rest in the warmth of Gods grace free of pain, illness and worry. In the company of loved one who have gone before him. To help comfort him for the family he has left behind.

Ronald J. Clardy

115 Sioux Trail

Crawfordville, Fl. 32327###imported-begin##Ronald and Laura Clardy###imported-end##

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February 21, 2010 at 10:18 AM



“ Kathy and I love you all so much! Our hearts and prayers go out to the entire family during this time of great sorrow. The Lord broke the mold when he made Jim Petty and our world just won't be the same without him! I am confident he is a better place and definitely surrounded by the ones we all love and cherish in our hearts!###imported-begin##Dennis and Katherine Clardy###imported-end##

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February 21, 2010 at 08:11 AM



“ My heart and prayers goes out to Shirley and the Family. I will always remmeber the good times we had when we lived accross the street from each other. My Mom and Dad throught alot of Jim.###imported-begin##LuAnn Huggens Starbuck###imported-end##

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February 20, 2010 at 04:49 PM



“ *Our Thoughts and Prayers are with you and your family at this most difficult time. Jim was a great man, and I have fond memories of Jim. He always made me laugh and had the best jokes. We will never forget him.##imported-begin##Julie & Troy Hipps##imported-end##*

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February 20, 2010 at 03:53 PM



“ *My prayers go out to you, Shirley & family on the loss of Jim...he was one of the good guys...##imported-begin##JoAnn Stout##imported-end##*

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February 20, 2010 at 03:07 PM



“ *To the Petty Families & friends  
We will always remember the laughs we had at the Nascar parties. Jim was a great guy and lots of fun. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Love you all.##imported-begin##Jeff/Kim Otten##imported-end##*

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February 20, 2010 at 12:04 PM