



Mr James Warner Metcalf

November 3, 1940 - February 26, 2026

James W. Metcalf Obituary

James Warner Metcalf, 85, of Tuscola, MS, passed away on February 26, 2026, in Jackson, MS. He was born on November 3, 1940, in Kennett, MO, to Warner Bolling Metcalf and Aminell Sisk Metcalf. He grew up in Memphis, TN, graduating from Frayser High School before attending Mississippi State University. By his own account, though his early years were marked by hardship and regret, his life truly changed when he embraced a relationship with Jesus Christ, a faith that sustained him for the rest of his days.

James spent his career in logistics and specialized transportation machinery. Throughout his professional life, James was known for his ingenuity, attention to detail, and precision.

In his personal life, James loved working with his hands and creating. From woodworking, stained glass, iron work and more, he was a jack of all trades and frankly a master of most of them too.

When James retired from Barnhart Crane & Rigging, he and Carol moved to Tuscola, MS where they enjoyed the transition from city life to country life. James spent his days in his workshop, enjoying nature and birdwatching, sharing stories, watching westerns, listening to Scripture, and staying active in Tuscola Baptist Church and the community he loved.

James is survived by his daughters, Lisa (Mark) McEachern, Joy (Frank) Gilliam, and Martha (Marcos) Matias; his sons, Timothy, Joshua (Amelia), Caleb (Allyse), and Seth (Greg); and his grandchildren, Abigail, Emily, JJ, Annie, Libbie, Daniel, Caitlin, and Ella. James was preceded in death by his parents, Warner and Aminell Metcalf, and by his wife, Carol Joy Metcalf.

Visitation with the family will be from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, at Wilcox Funeral Home in Carthage, MS, and the funeral service will be at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, March 4, 2026, at Tuscola Baptist Church in Tuscola, MS, with Dr. Eddie Hamilton officiating.

While his passing was sudden, we take comfort that he has reunited with his wife, Carol and is in peace in Heaven. James will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him.

Cemetery Details

Tuscola Cemetery

Tuscola Cemetery
Tuscola M, MS 79562

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 3. 4:30 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

Wilcox Funeral Home
106 S Jordan Street
Carthage, MS 39051
(601) 267-8081
wilcoxfh@netdoor.com
<https://www.wilcoxfuneralhome.com/>

Service

MAR 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

Tuscola Baptist Church
Tuscola, MS

Tribute Wall

LL

“ La familia Lopez-Jimenez purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Mr James Warner Metcalf.



La familia Lopez-Jimenez - March 03 at 03:24 PM

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“ La familia Lopez-Jimenez planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr James Warner Metcalf.

La familia Lopez-Jimenez - March 03 at 03:24 PM

TF

“ The Montgomery Family purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Mr James Warner Metcalf.



The Montgomery Family - March 03 at 01:28 PM

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“ The Montgomery Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr James Warner Metcalf.

The Montgomery Family - March 03 at 01:28 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mr James Warner Metcalf.*



March 02 at 09:56 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr James Warner Metcalf.

March 02 at 09:56 PM



“ *James Warner was my cousin and I remember so many things as we were growing up. We were 6 weeks apart in age. I lived in the country and he lived in Memphis (actually Fraser). We would see each other at holidays when our families would share wonderful meals together. He was very quick to share his Christian thoughts and I admire him for that. I visited with Carol and James at their home in Memphis after we moved to Oklahoma. I'm sad to know that he passed away and am certain of his home in heaven. Love and prayers to all the family from Bob and me. Jane Mansfield*

Jane Mansfield - March 02 at 09:09 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr James Warner Metcalf.

March 02 at 07:54 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Mr James Warner Metcalf.*



March 02 at 01:15 PM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr James Warner Metcalf.*



March 02 at 05:28 AM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Mr James Warner Metcalf.*

March 02 at 05:28 AM



“ *Chad King & David Russell purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Mr James Warner Metcalf.*



Chad King & David Russell - March 01 at 07:52 PM

AT

“ Angela Trigg & JH Admin Team purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr James Warner Metcalf.



Angela Trigg & JH Admin Team - March 01 at 02:28 PM

YF

“ Your University Schools Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr James Warner Metcalf.



Your University Schools Family - March 01 at 02:18 PM

LB

“ Love, the Westers and Browns purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Mr James Warner Metcalf.



Love, the Westers and Browns - February 28 at 06:04 PM

LB

“ Love, the Westers and Browns planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr James Warner Metcalf.

Love, the Westers and Browns - February 28 at 06:04 PM