



Jimmy Keller

June 22, 1954 - July 21, 2024

Jimmy Keller was born on June 22, 1954 and named James Herman Keller after his father James Carl Keller and uncle Herman Jones, He passed away on Sunday, July 21, 2024 at the age of 70.

He leaves behind his loving wife, Linda Jean Orr Keller; three children, Kristy Matherly & husband Steve of Lexington, KY, Sarah Mize & husband Josh of London, KY, Charlie Keller & wife Lucia of London, KY; one sister, June Woodyard & husband Medius; seven grandchildren, Marcus Matherly, Miles Matherly, Chloe Mize, Haley Mize, Reece Mize, Haydon Keller, Charlotte Keller; plus, a host of other family and friends to mourn his passing.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James Carl and Etsie Loretta Jones Keller; his sister, Charlotte Joan Keller; and by his eighth grandchild, Christopher Dunn Keller.

Jimmy was a devoted husband, loving father, and cherished grandfather. He leaves behind a legacy of love, hard work, and community spirit. A retired employee of CSX Railroad, Jimmy dedicated many years of service, forming lifelong friendships and earning the respect of his colleagues.

Jimmy's greatest joy was his family. He loved spending time with his children and grandchildren, teaching them how to work with their hands and instilling a

strong work ethic. He enjoyed fishing with them and creating cherished memories on rides in the golf cart. Jimmy also played a significant role in helping each of his children build or remodel their homes, demonstrating his commitment to their happiness and well-being.

He was instrumental in supporting his son-in-law Steve and daughter Kristy with their bakery business, his son-in-law Josh with his auto body shop, his son Charlie with his logging business, and helped his daughter Sarah build her barn for her animals. He was always ready with a helping hand and valuable advice. A proud Swiss descendant, Jimmy was known for his generous heart and willingness to help others in the community.

Jimmy served as a commissioner and treasurer of the Wood Creek Water District, where his dedication and leadership were greatly appreciated. He was also a farmer and gardener, finding joy in working the land and sharing his bounty with others.

Jimmy will be deeply missed by all who knew him, but his spirit and the lessons he shared will continue to inspire those he loved. His legacy of hard work, generosity, and love will live on forever.

A Celebration of Life honoring Jimmy Keller will be held on Saturday, September 14, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. at the Keller Clearing at the end of Hauselman Rd. All friends and family are invited to attend. Jimmy's family invites family and friends to reflect on what Jimmy meant to them and share their memories in a memory book at the celebration. Memories of Jimmy can also be shared on the House-Rawlings website [here](#) or personally with the family.

In honor of Jimmy, please consider doing random acts of kindness. Donations in memory of Jimmy Keller may be made to the American Cancer Society's

Hope Lodge in Lexington, Kentucky here. The family has entrusted House-Rawlings Funeral Home with the arrangements.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP 14. 5:00 PM.

Keller Clearing

Tribute Wall

BC

“ Jimmy was a very positive person. He was always glad to see us and made our day brighter! We sent a gift to Hope Lodge- a place for cancer patients to stay while having treatment! We have known the whole family for so many years and found all of them to be so loving and caring!! We have been Blessed to know them as part of our family!!!! He will be missed by so. so many!! !We pray for peace and comfort for the whole family! We claim the promise of seeing him again!!!!!! Love Bryan an d Kay Curto

Bryan and Kay Curto - September 14, 2024 at 04:33 PM

MT

“ I'm want to express my sincere sympathy to all Jimmy's family. What a heartbreaking loss for you and the Swiss Colony. Jimmy was always Jimmy Keller to me. I never just said Jimmy. That came from having a brother named Jimmy who happened to be good buddies with Jimmy Keller. Jimmy Keller was sort of my bonus brother. He was around a lot and fully participated in the shunning of the younger sister and her sidekick Jayna. And other shenanigans that I will not write about 😞. After I moved away I loved the warm welcomes I always received from Jimmy Keller when I saw him at the Swiss gathering or the fall pig roast. Rusty and I have fond memories of being on a cruise to Alaska with Jimmy Keller and Linda the year I turned 50. Especially when we all caught our limit on the salmon fishing excursion in Ketchikan. I pray each family member will find peace in his memories and that your lives are a testament to the legacy he leaves.

Martha Wesley Thompson - September 03, 2024 at 03:55 PM

BC

“ *Barbara Caudill lit a candle in memory of Jimmy Keller*



Barbara Caudill - August 30, 2024 at 12:24 PM

PH

“ *Pearl J Hughes lit a candle in memory of Jimmy Keller*



Pearl J Hughes - July 29, 2024 at 05:58 AM

BS

“ *Worked with Jimmy in the CSX Shop. He was a pleasure to work with and know. Rest well Jimmy. God Bless* 🙏🙏🙏🚂🚂🚂🇺🇸🇺🇸🚂

Bob Simpson - July 28, 2024 at 06:06 PM

GR

“ *GregMink lit a candle in memory of Jimmy Keller*



GregMink - July 28, 2024 at 09:46 AM

ES

“ Evelyn Smith lit a candle in memory of Jimmy Keller



Evelyn Smith - July 27, 2024 at 12:42 PM

TA

“ Mr. Keller always spoke to us at the Wood Creek office when he came in. Very nice & and kind man. Prayers for his family for your loss.

Tami - July 26, 2024 at 07:32 PM

AF

“ Jimmy was always such a nice person to me and my husband. He helped us a few times around our home. He made us some wood shingles for the house and just recently helped me with a tree I cut that got wedged. He brought a chain and helped me get it lose. He loved his family so much and was always driving the kids around on his golf cart. He will be missed.

Abbey Frutchey - July 26, 2024 at 03:26 PM