



## James Paul "Jimmy" Labar

June 7, 1946 - November 1, 2015

"Jimmy" was born on June 7, 1936 on the Harden Ranch in Harlingen, Texas to George Labar, Sr. and Cordie Labar. He was the fifth of their six children. He passed away on November 1, 2015.

He loved the outdoors, nature, and growing things; he also loved playing and coaching football. He knew the value of being a team player. He earned a B.S. in Agricultural Science at Stephen F. Austin University. After college, he taught school and coached for two years. Then he began his agribusiness. Over the course of his career, Jimmy farmed, ranched, raised pedigree cattle and goats, and cultivated field-grown trees and nursery stock.

Jimmy lived a life of service. Some of the organizations to which he dedicated time include: The Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Steer Committee and Board of Directors, Valley Baptist Hospital Board of Trustees, Trustee of Valley Baptist Academy, Valley Production Credit Association Board, and Rio Hondo Rural Water Supply Board. In addition to the community, he served his church throughout his adult life in many capacities, including Deacon. He especially enjoyed developing the couple's Sunday school class.

After moving to Frisco, Jimmy helped others through cancer encouragement groups at Stonebriar Community Church and Elevate Life Church.

Jimmy was a dedicated husband, father, and grandfather. He enjoyed his family and especially delighted in playing with the children. He is survived by his wife, Marylee, daughters Jamie Labar of Dallas, Melissa Kilgore and her husband Jim and their children Allyson and Michael of Harlingen, Virginia

Labar and her husband Niels Cordes of Frisco, son Stephen Labar and his wife Kim and their son Cameron of Bryan.

A memorial service will be held at Stonebriar Community Church in Frisco, Texas on Friday, November 6 at 7:00 PM.

An additional memorial service will be held at Calvary Baptist Church in Harlingen, Texas on Sunday, November 15 at 3:00 P.M.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to a scholarship fund. Checks can be sent to Jimmy Labar Memorial Fund Account # 8318588509 at Wells Fargo Bank / 12066 FM 423 / Frisco, TX 75034.

# Tribute Wall

RD

“ Jimmy was good natured, pleasant , positive and always a dependable friend. I have many good memories of Jimmy , especially our days of Cardinal football efforts together both in practice & Friday night games. He gave his very best efforts in blocking, tackling & protecting us as running backs. God bless Jimmy's family & friends as we morn the loss of an admirable good man!



*Ronny Daniels*

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**Ronny Daniels** - November 13, 2015 at 07:24 AM

EH

“ Marylee, I knew Jimmy through school. I remember in Oct 2013 at the school reunion riding in your car and visiting main street and the Stores, hangouts that are no longer there. Saddened of Jimmy's passing but praying God will give the family peace and comfort. Evelyn Moore Hartley

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**Evelyn Moore Hartley** - November 10, 2015 at 12:59 PM

JG

“ Marylee,  
I was saddened to hear that Jimmy had died. My prayers are with you and your family during this time of mourning. Jimmy was a fine man who lived a full and productive life and will be missed by those of us who were his high school classmates.  
Jim Griffin H.H.S. class of 1954

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**Jim Griffin** - November 10, 2015 at 09:59 AM

MF

“ Jimmy was such a good man and a great friend to all. He will be missed greatly. Sending many prayers for this special family. Randy and Connie Mercer

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**Mercer family** - November 09, 2015 at 10:16 AM

RG

“ Jimmy has always been the friendliest man I've ever known, or perhaps tied with my Dad. His smile and handshake will be remembered as long as I live. When my wife and I got married, 31 years ago, we couldn't afford much at our wedding. Several church members jumped in and helped make our reception wonderful! Jimmy and Marylee were helping! How could I NOT love people like that?

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**Randy Gritzner** - November 08, 2015 at 01:29 PM