



Ernest (Ernie) Dock James

February 11, 2010

Walhalla, SC—Ernest Dock (Ernie) James, 62, of 165 Redland Ranch Road, Walhalla, SC, died Thursday, February 11, 2010, at Oconee Medical Center.

A native of Richland, SC, Mr. James was the son of the late Ed and Austeen Scoggins James. He was retired from the South Carolina Army National Guard where he served for over 41 years and attained the rank of Command Sergeant Major, which is the highest enlisted rank in the military. He was also member and Past Master of Seneca Masonic Lodge 185. Mr. James was of the Baptist faith.

Mr. James is survived by his loving wife, Evelyn Mason James; son Michael James and his wife, Lindsay; grandson, Cody James; granddaughter, Ava James, all of Westminster; daughter, Stacey James of Seneca; brothers, Joe Burgess of Phoenix, AZ, Johnnie James of Seneca, Ronnie James of Demorest, GA; and sister, Barbara Moore of Seneca.

In addition to his parents, Mr. James was predeceased by daughter, Laura Michelle James; and brothers, Gene James and Donnie James.

Graveside services will be conducted at 2:00 p.m., Monday, February 15, 2010, from Oconee Memorial Park in Seneca.

The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Sunday, February 14, 2010 at Davenport Funeral Home.

The family is at the residence.

Tribute Wall



“ Ernest (Ernie) Dock James

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ Dear Family and Friends,
Earnie was one of the most approachable and easy going men one could find. He always presented a pleasant and caring heart to me and others. Earnie was a mentor and father-figure to a lot of folks in his circle for influence. He has touched many hearts and will always be lovingly remembered!##imported-begin##LTC Bill Berry##imported-end##

February 18, 2010 at 09:05 AM



“ My condolences Mrs. James on your husbands death the was a very dear friend and fellow soldier.##imported-begin##James E. Childress##imported-end##

February 17, 2010 at 06:34 PM



“ Evelyn,I was sorry to hear about Ernie.My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Marian Land McClure##imported-end##

February 16, 2010 at 11:56 PM



“ Evelyn and Family, We are so sorry to hear of your loss. I think I met Ernie when I was just a teenager and my Dad (Willie) worked with him at the armory in Clemson! They became great friends and Ernie was like the son my Dad never had! I just want to say thank you for all the love , support and friendship he gave to Dad! Although I didnt see him often , he seemed like a part of our family! Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time! He will be greatly missed! Shelley Scarborough Roper###imported-begin###Roger and Shelley Roper and Dot Scarborough###imported-end###

February 16, 2010 at 09:48 PM



“ Like so many others, I met Ernie while working for the Guard. Ernie was by far one of the kindest men you will ever meet in a lifetime. No matter what the situation was, he was always willing to help. There never was a time while passing by that he didn't stop just to see how you were doing. I am truly sorry for your loss and I know he will missed my many. My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this difficult time.

SFC(R) Ben Barrs###imported-begin###Ben Barrs###imported-end###

February 16, 2010 at 10:54 AM



“ CSM James was an amazing man, leader and Soldier. He will be missed by all those who knew him and worked with him. May God Bless him and his family.###imported-begin###Shawna Collier###imported-end###

February 16, 2010 at 10:30 AM



“ I was so sorry to hear of your loss. You and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers. Margaret is my sister so I know what a wonderful person he was.##imported-begin##MARTHA LAYFIELD##imported-end##

February 15, 2010 at 06:19 PM



“ I am sorry for your loss ; I met Ernie thru Lane Poore at the hospital ; he would always stop in when he was here visiting and always had a smile and a joke##imported-begin##Donnie Richardson##imported-end##

February 15, 2010 at 12:19 PM



“ To the James Family & Cody...The short time that We knew Ernie We could tell that he loved his Family very much. He was one of the kindest people that We have ever known. You are in our thoughts and prayers.
Debra & James(Slick) Chambers.##imported-begin##Debra Oates-Chambers##imported-end##

February 15, 2010 at 09:56 AM



“ CSM James was always a good friend in the SCARNG. He cared about the soldiers and helped them with their problems. He will be missed.##imported-begin##1SG (R) Jay Bobo##imported-end##

February 15, 2010 at 09:32 AM



“ My sincere sympathy goes out to your entire family. No words can take your emptiness away. Hang onto the wonderful memories and know that you will get to see your dad, papa, father-in-law, and husband again one day. With deepest sympathy, your are in my thoughts.##imported-begin##Shannon O'Kelley##imported-end##

February 15, 2010 at 08:47 AM



“ Your Family is in our thoughts and prayers, may God bless each one of you.##imported-begin##Kevin Gibson & Family##imported-end##

February 15, 2010 at 06:56 AM



“ James Family,

I am so sorry for your loss. Ernie was one of the kindest individuals that I have ever met. I had the honor and privilege of serving with Ernie in the National Guard but most of all, the privilege of calling him my friend. May God be with you and bless you during this difficult time in your lives.

*God Bless,
SGM Kevin Frick##imported-begin##SGM Kevin Frick##imported-end##*

February 14, 2010 at 08:45 PM



“ I served with Ernie in the CLemson National Guard unit for nine years and always thought of him as a good friend. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. John Royal###imported-begin###John and Dora Royal###imported-end##

February 14, 2010 at 08:41 PM



“ James Family, I would like to say that Erine was definitely one of a kind and will be missed. He always had a story to tell and a the famous greeting with a smile of "How you doin?". We will keep your family in our thoughts and Prayers.###imported-begin###SFC Sean Farmer and Family###imported-end##

February 14, 2010 at 05:22 PM



“ Your family is in my prayers during this time. Ernie's passing is a huge loss to all who knew him. I was in the SC Guard with Ernie for many years and consider him as one of the best leaders I have ever met. He helped me many times, sometimes working later than he had to to assure the paperwork was correct. 1Sgt Sam Banks (Ret)###imported-begin###Sam Banks###imported-end##

February 14, 2010 at 04:36 PM



“ *My sincerest condolences to the James family. I worked with Ernie for over 20 years in the National Guard. He was viewed with the utmost respect by all who came in contact with him. He will be greatly missed by everyone who was fortunate enough to have been associated with him.##imported-begin##Charles Shelton##imported-end##*

February 14, 2010 at 10:26 AM



“ *I was fortunate enough to become acquainted with Ernie early in my career. Our acquaintance quickly turned to a lasting friendship. He set the standard of my expectations of a leader and friend. Guidance and advice was always there for everyone as needed. He had a unique ability to bring professional counseling to the personal level. My life was blessed by having known Ernie, so, I can only imagine what he meant to his family. May our Lord bless and comfort you in your loss.##imported-begin##COL (R) Tommy D. Thompson##imported-end##*

February 14, 2010 at 09:49 AM



“ *Dear Family,*
We are saddened at the death of Ernie. He and Mac served in the National Guard for a long time. Also, he and our daughter Alison Hyder were in the Guard together. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
Love,
Mac and Elaine Horton##imported-begin##Mac and Elaine Horton##imported-end##

February 13, 2010 at 05:48 PM



“ Evelyn and family,
It is with fond memories that I send this note. Ernie was a good man and an excellent NCO and represented himself, his uniform, his state and country well. He will be missed by all. Please accept our heartfelt sympathy.
Victor and Brenda Griffin##imported-begin##Victor Griffin##imported-end##

February 13, 2010 at 03:58 PM



“ Ernie was a professional Soldiers and had the respect of all who knew him Our thoughts and prayers are with the family as they deal with this great loss.

SGM(R) Millard Allen##imported-begin##Millard Allen##imported-end##

February 13, 2010 at 12:13 PM



“ My condolences to the family. Ernie was one of the "good guys" and it was my privilege and pleasure to work with him.##imported-begin##Bruce Bennett##imported-end##

February 13, 2010 at 11:32 AM



“ Ernie was the best. He will surely be missed. Our prayers are with all The James Family.##imported-begin##TERRY GREENFIELD##imported-end##

February 13, 2010 at 09:51 AM



“ To the James Family,
My heart, thoughts and prayers go out to you all in this time of grief.
Ernie has been my dear friend and Chief Spirit Maintainer (CSM)
from the first day I met him in the Guard. He taught me how to take
care of Soldiers. I still have his picture in my office sitting on the
porch looking like he's from "Mayberry RFD."
He talks about you all the time. Feels like I know you.
Love and peace be with you now and always, because his talks of
you always end with "as long as they're happy."
I'm so glad that I got to make this journey with Ernie
James.##imported-begin##Vanessa Calhoun Lewis##imported-
end##

February 13, 2010 at 09:40 AM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. I thought so much of Ernie. You all are in
my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Lynn Cape
Morgan##imported-end##

February 13, 2010 at 07:46 AM



“ Ernie was a very close coworker for many years and a good
friend.##imported-begin##Ray & Sandra Calhoun##imported-end##

February 12, 2010 at 10:56 PM



“ Sorry for your loss, your family is in our prayers.
Joyce Laura, and Seth and Shawna Nix##imported-begin##Shawna
Nix##imported-end##

February 12, 2010 at 09:29 PM



“ I know I am like so many others that Ernie affected during his life. Just seems like yesterday that i joined Charlie Battery and Ernie was their taking care of Soldiers better than anyone Ive ever known, past or present. Everyone always looked forward to stopping the by unit and interrupting his work just to get the "pick me up" that Ernie so generously supplied. He was amazing. 26 years later I still looked forward to seeing him each and every time. He was truly one in a million and I will miss having him as my friend. God Bless##imported-begin##MAJ Marion R. Collins##imported-end##

February 12, 2010 at 09:27 PM



“ Lindsay, Michael, Cody, Mrs. James and family,

I am so very sorry for your loss. I know what a difficult time this is. Please know that God will ease the hurt with time and that you will see Mr. James again some day. May good memories and love for each other give you all comfort at this very difficult time. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.##imported-begin##Marla Barganier Lipham##imported-end##

February 12, 2010 at 08:12 PM



“ Lindsay, Michael, Cody, Ava, and family: Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this sad time of loss. Our fathers, too, died young; mine on Valentine's Day, so you have our deepest heartfelt sympathies. Thinking of you, Debbie and Ken Cox##imported-begin##Debbie and Ken Cox##imported-end##

February 12, 2010 at 06:21 PM



“ *Lindsey, Michael, Cody, Ava, and family: Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this sad time of loss. Our fathers, too, died young; mine on Valentine's Day, so you have our deepest heartfelt sympathies. Thinking of you, Debbie and Ken Cox* *Debbie and Ken Cox* ”

February 12, 2010 at 06:16 PM



“ *Gary La Follette* ”

February 12, 2010 at 05:34 PM



“ *James Family,*
It is so hard to believe that Ernie has gone to be with Jesus. Jane and I want each of you to know that you will be in our Prayers during this time of sorrow. Ernie was like the brother I never had. He and I enjoyed our time in Columbia together working for the Guards. I came to know Ernie as never before while living there with him. He was one of the most well liked men I have ever known. We will miss his sweet voice here on earth and I know Heaven is sweeter today because he has entered in. May God grant each of you His peace as you go through this time. We will keep each of you in our Prayers now and always. *Tony & Jane McAlister* ”

February 12, 2010 at 04:25 PM