



James "Jimmy" Robert Rogers

June 18, 1933 - December 18, 2011

James Robert Rogers, 78, of 25 Lakeshore Drive, Walhalla, SC, died Sunday, December 18, 2011 at Oconee Medical Center. He was twice married, first to the late Lois (Judy) Longfellow Rogers and presently to Deborah Barton Rogers.

A native of Oconee County, Mr. Rogers was the son of the late Bobbie Lee and Mary Virginia Potts Rogers. He was the owner/operator of Jimmy Rogers House of Music and a lifelong musician. He was a veteran in the US Air Force and served in the Korean War. He attended Rocky Knoll Baptist Church and was a member of the Blue Ridge Masonic Lodge and the Hejaz Shrine Temple.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Rogers is survived by a son, Randy Rogers and wife Kristy of Mountain Rest, SC; daughters, Kathy Rogers of Walhalla, SC and Gina Whitten and husband Kent of West Union, SC; brother, David Rogers of Walhalla, SC; sisters, Margaret Nichols of Westminster, SC, Louise Elliott of Walhalla, SC, and Lynn Brennan of Seneca, SC; a step-son Tim Rowland and Denise of West Union, SC; step-daughters, Christie Jordan of Kodak, TN and Stacy Whittle and husband Jamie of Walhalla, SC; nine grandchildren, Matthew Whitten and wife Kitty, Chris Towe, Taylor Rogers, Bailey Whittle, Chandler Whittle, Joseph Jordan, Zachary Jordan, and Blake Rowland and Kelsey Rowland; two great-grandchildren Jane Whitten and Jena Rogers.

In addition to Mr. Rogers first wife and his parents, he was predeceased by a sister, Mary Ann Nix.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, December 21, 2011 at 11:00 AM at Davenport Funeral Home Chapel, with burial at Evergreen Memorial Gardens.

The family will receive friends from 6:00-8:00 PM Tuesday, December 20, 2011 at Davenport Funeral Home.

Flowers are accepted, or memorials may be sent to American Red Cross, Oconee

Chapter, 224 East Main Street, Walhalla, SC 29691.

Tribute Wall

RS

“ Horse was my mentor of my life. Not a day goes by where I don't think of him and thank God that I had such a wonderful influence in my life. I love and miss him. Horse, I'm still playing 'moving chords.' Miss you, Darlin.

Rev. Jack Ryan Sullivan - July 05, 2025 at 04:06 PM



“ James "Jimmy" Robert Rogers

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM

BD

“ I just learned that Jimmy died I saw him perform at the vfw hall in Anderson many times I was working for IBM Corp in Clemson when I met Jimmy we were very good friends and went fishing together a lot he was one terrific guitar player and a great entertainer I'm sorry to hear that he has died Bob Duckrtt

Bob Duckett - April 27, 2018 at 07:13 PM



“ Heaven received another wonderful person. Jimmy was always glad to see you stop by the store just to say hello. If it was lunch time, get you plate, we have plenty. Bless him for all the smiles he gave and shared with people. You will be missed Jimmy, oh what your music sounds like in heaven !!! RIP our friend###imported-begin##Gary Rogers###imported-end##

December 31, 2011 at 01:34 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with the entire Rogers family. May each of you find comfort in knowing the number of lives Mr. Jimmy touched, the number of smiles widened and the number of songs shared. With love to each of you, Amanda###imported-begin##Amanda Brock###imported-end##

December 28, 2011 at 04:08 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Jimmy. He was a good friend and will be missed.###imported-begin##Bill Scott###imported-end##

December 24, 2011 at 10:03 PM



“ We are so sorry for your lose .

Doug & Jean Boy###imported-begin##Doug Boy###imported-end##

December 22, 2011 at 09:10 AM



“ i just wanted to say that jimmy was a very wonderful man that had a special place in my heart and always will i love you all and if i can do anything please ley me know###imported-begin##steve williams###imported-end##

December 22, 2011 at 07:07 AM



“ WE WERE SAD TO HEAR OF JIMMY'S PASSING. WE DID NOT GET TO PAY OUR RESPECT TO HIM DUE TO BEING"UNDER THE WEATHER" BUT KNOW THAT WE RESPECTED HIM AND ARE THANKFUL TO JIMMY FOR BEING GOOD TO RYAN.KNOW THAT ALL OF YOU ARE IN OUR PRAYERS! GOD BLESS YOU ALL !###imported-begin##Joe, Evelyn(Ryan's mother) & Dylan Pearson###imported-end##

December 21, 2011 at 08:16 PM



“ To you all, you are in our hearts and on our minds. Jimmy will certainly be missed by us. He was one of the greatest people we have known. Cherish the many good memories he has given us all. We love you all, as always.
Pooch and Bernie###imported-begin##Pooch and Bernie###imported-end##

December 21, 2011 at 05:05 PM



“ I HATE TO HEAR OF THE LOSS OF ANOTHER GREAT FRIEND AND ONE HECK OF A MUSCIAN, JIMMY WILL BE MISSED BY SO MANY , I HOPE THAT THE FAMILY CAN GET THRU THIS I PRAY, I PRAY FOR KATHY FOR ANOTHER LOSS SO CLOSE TOGETHER, AND ALSO I PRAY FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY , I KNOW HE IS IN HEAVEN I JUST KNOW HE IS PLAYING THAT BEAUTIFUL MUSIC , JIMMY COULD PLAY ANYTHING WITH STRINGS ON IT AND HE WILL BE MISSED BY SO MANY LORD BLESS THIS FAMILY AMEN, WITH LOVE RED###imported-begin##STEVE GRIFFIN###imported-end##

December 21, 2011 at 02:44 PM



“ I am aware that mere words will not erase the pain the family feels when we lose those we love! You each and all, are in my thoughts and in my prayers! I have known James for a "lifetime" and he was my friend. He will be sorely missed! Rod Albertson###imported-begin###Rod Albertson###imported-end##

December 21, 2011 at 11:02 AM



“ I loved picking and talking about other mutual friends with Jimmy. He was a friend when I really needed one, for that I will never forget him. He was a gentleman a superior musician. That wanted everybody else to be able to play also. I will miss him dearly. I will pray for his family's strength and faith. You all have my deepest sympathy in your time of bereavement.###imported-begin###Jimmy Snead###imported-end##

December 21, 2011 at 10:58 AM



“ I HAVE BEEN FRIENDS WITH JIMMY FOR 30YRS AND BOUGHT MANY THINGS FROM HIM. HE ALWAYS DONE ME RIGHT I WILL MISS HIM LIKE SO MANY OTHERS. ROGER COBB AND FAMILY###imported-begin###roger e. cobb###imported-end##

December 21, 2011 at 10:52 AM



“ JIMMY WILL BE MISSED BY MANY, HE HAD A GREAT TALENT, MY SYMPATHY GOES OUT FOR ALL THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS, WILL NOT BE FORGOTTEN HAVE FUN IN HEAVEN MY FRIEND ,
RED###imported-begin###STEVE GRIFFIN###imported-end##

December 21, 2011 at 10:48 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the Rogers family at this time of sorrow.

Jim was a very special and kind man. There are many fond memories that will never be forgotten.

*Our Love,
Uncle Alan & Aunt Elouise Longfellow###imported-begin###Alan & Elouise Longfellow###imported-end##*

December 21, 2011 at 09:49 AM



“ Sorry to hear of Jimmy's passing. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family. May GOD bless you.

Harold, Marcia n family###imported-begin###Harold Lusk###imported-end##

December 21, 2011 at 07:18 AM



“ We wish to express our sympathy to Debby and the family . Jimmy was a wonderful and caring man he will be greatly missed,Our thoughts and Prayers are with you . Ernest and Bertie Seigler,Honea Path,sc###imported-begin###Ernest Seigler###imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 11:47 PM



“ All of us here at the Tire Barn send our deepest sympathy to the family.Winfred & Tony Campbell, Steve Griffin and Ray Hester were all regular patrons of the house of music.God Bless.

R.I.P from all the members of:

Midnite Outlaws Band

Outcast Country Band

Pure Country Band

Cateechee Creek Band###imported-begin###Winfred & Tony Campbell###imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 11:41 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you in your great loss and sorrow. H will be missed ever so much, and was always such a great man and friend to me. I love all of his family as my own, and pray for your peace with God's mercy and grace. LOVE. OUIDA###imported-begin###Ouida Jackson###imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 08:34 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. He will be missed. He was always so friendly whenever we needed something from the music store. We bought our kid's band instruments from him and we'd go back for reeds and books. He always treated us well.##imported-begin##Stan and Chima H. Martin##imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 08:00 PM



“ We are so sad to hear of your loss but we know he is with our Lord Jesus Christ. We enjoyed all the years of coming by and visiting and his entertainment and love. Debbie if you need anything please don't hesitate to call us. We love you and are praying for you and the family.
John, Toni, Carsyn and Dallas Little##imported-begin##John, Toni, Carsyn and Dallas Little##imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 06:12 PM



“ I Am so sorry to hear about Jimmy. God will give you strength. I am praying for you.##imported-begin##Lori chappelear##imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 02:51 PM



“ I spent almost 14 years of my life working for Jimmy at the House of Music. I was hired by Jimmy at his nightclub for my first paying music gig ever when I was 23 years old. I have never met a more caring and giving man than Jimmy Rogers. He was my mentor in music and life. He is missed. my sympathies go out to Kathy, Gina, Randy and their families.##imported-begin##Jerry Riggins##imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 02:27 PM



“ Jimmy was a good man and a fixture in the community!! He will be missed!! Our thoughts and prayers are will all of you.

Randy, Kim, Harper, Mary Claire and Brady Abbott##imported-begin##Randy Abbott Jr##imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 01:35 PM



“ I always enjoyed going by the music store and visiting with Jimmy. We always enjoyed talking, picking and singing. He always had a great Martin that he wanted to sell and I have bought several from him. I will miss him. I extend my symaathies to his family. Perry Donald###imported-begin###Perry Donald###imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 11:41 AM



“ debbie and all the rogers family i am sorry for your loss you are in my thoughts and prayers if theys anything we can do let us know hes gone to be with jesus now but he want never be forgotten.norma henry megan rowland###imported-begin###norma rowland###imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 11:41 AM



“ Kathy, Randy, Gina and Debbie

Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during this difficult time. Jimmy's smile, talent and all those jokes he told will be truly missed. We will always cherish all the time spent and memories made with him.###imported-begin###Phillip and Tracy Richardson###imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 11:01 AM



“ Jimmy sold my son Brandon his first electric guitar several years ago and was so wonderfully kind to give him lessons from time to time simply because he said he "loved him". Brandon always said Jimmy was like another grandpa to him...and I'm sure there are many others out there who feel the same. There'll never be another Jimmy. I'll always be thankful for such good memories.###imported-begin###Scott Kelley###imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 10:25 AM



“ We were so sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family today and in the days ahead. May each of you find peace as God enfolds you in His Arms of Love.###imported-begin###Larry and Sue Nichols###imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 10:02 AM



“ We send our deepest sympathy. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all during the difficult time of loss.

Allen, Sherry, Zeke & Pop##imported-begin##*The Allen Moore Family*##imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 09:53 AM



“ We were sure sorry to hear of the passing of Jimmy.

We have had the priviledge of knowing Jimmy for several years. I always enjoyed getting together for a "Jam" session at the "House of Music".

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family.##imported-begin##*Roy & Sandy Knight*##imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 09:41 AM



“ Though words, however gentle, cannot take your loss away. Still may these sent in sympathy help comfort you today.

Jimmy has been a longtime friend of ours He was a great man and friend. He will surely be missed by all. You all are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##*Lane & Avelene Brewer*##imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 08:46 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Jimmie will be missed by all he was a wonderful man.##imported-begin##*June and Mary Shobe*##imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 08:28 AM



“ My son Jake took lessons at Mr. Rogers business starting at the age of 10. He is now 19 and plays in a country music band. Mr. Rogers always made us feel welcome, and was a great encourager for Jake. He will be greatly missed. My thoughts are prayers are with you.

Teresa Broome##imported-begin##*Teresa Broome*##imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 07:44 AM



“ I have such wonderful memories of eating supper with Jimmy and our Nite Life family every Friday and Saturday before we went to work. Jimmy was a wonderful person and will be greatly missed by everyone who had the pleasure of knowing him.##imported-begin##Susan Worley##imported-end##

December 20, 2011 at 07:06 AM



“ As you know Debbie, I lost my husband, Fred, quite suddenly in 2005, so I can feel where you are right now. No one can really understand how you feel unless having gone through that situation. God has been so good to me and I know He is now and will be embracing you in His Love and peace. Sorry we cannot attend, have conflicts Tues nite and Wed at 11:00 but did want you to know I am remembering you in prayer and will be in touch will you later. God bless you and all of the family. Ann Ulm and Buddy Ulm##imported-begin##Ann and Buddy Ulm##imported-end##

December 19, 2011 at 11:43 PM



“ Our sincere and deepest sympathy at the passing of Jimmy. We know this will be an extremely difficult time, (even more so with the holiday season upon us). Please know that we are thinking about, and praying for the family, loved one's and friends of a man admired by so many.
In prayer, Larry & Kim Dickson##imported-begin##Larry & Kim Dickson##imported-end##

December 19, 2011 at 10:30 PM



“ Sorry for your loss Mr.Rogers was a good man and really loved his music.My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family.Please let me and Tammy know if we can do anything at all for you and your family.##imported-begin##Lamar Albertson##imported-end##

December 19, 2011 at 10:24 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.If there is anything at all I can do please let me know.Praying for you all.##imported-begin##Tarmmy Albertson##imported-end##

December 19, 2011 at 10:15 PM



“ Kathy and Family, There are no words to ease the pain at this sad time .I was a Daddys Girl and I know how you are feeling ,Bless you. My thoughts and prayers are with you.God chose a wonderful angel and now he is in Heaven playing music with My Pop,Love and Prayers,###imported-begin##Glenda Dillard###imported-end##

December 19, 2011 at 10:08 PM



“ ###imported-begin##The Wheeler Family###imported-end##

December 19, 2011 at 09:26 PM



“ To the family of Jimmy,
We are so sorry to hear about Jimmy. We have known him a little over 20 years and will dearly miss him. He was a very sweet, kind person. He was one of a kind, thats for sure. You are in our thoughts and prayers.
Bryan,Michelle,Austin,David and Dacota King###imported-begin##Michelle###imported-end##

December 19, 2011 at 06:41 PM



“ Uncle James will surely be missed Dwight and me. I know I didn't get home to see him very much but I sure did love him. He is no longer in pain now. He is with my Gramdmother and my Mother who are surely rejoicing in heaven. Give all our family a huge hug from me. I love you and will miss you. Daddy just told me that you were asking a out me the other day.###imported-begin##Cissy Porter###imported-end##

December 19, 2011 at 06:23 PM



“ Debbie-- I am so sorry to hear about Jimmy. He was a nice man and was always so friendly when you met him. You and your family will be in our prayers.###imported-begin##Cathy and Gregg Link###imported-end##

December 19, 2011 at 06:16 PM



“ I remember taking a trip with my dad to Jimmy Rogers House of Music to get my saxophone for band...he was a wonderful member of our community and will be missed.

To the family; I pray comfort for you. "Surely He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows."

Isaiah 53:4###imported-begin##Wendy Gibson-Pomeroy###imported-end##

December 19, 2011 at 05:13 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.##imported-begin##Leslie Carol Shealy##imported-end##

December 19, 2011 at 04:53 PM