



Jim Bob Askew

April 1, 1963 - September 2, 2021

Jim Bob Askew, 58, lifelong Ochelata resident, died Thursday in Bartlesville, OK, where he was born. He is now dancing in Heaven with Jesus but will be sorely missed on earth.

Jim Bob was born the son of Johnny Lee and Lettsie Ann (Ennis) Askew on April 1, 1963. He was raised on the family farm in Ochelata, and school was purely a good time to hang out with friends. He graduated from Caney Valley with the Class of 1982.

From a young age, Jim Bob nurtured a passion for hunting. Jim Bob fondly remembered family hunting trips to the Kiamichi Mountains in Southeast Oklahoma where the picturesque scenery was capped by soaring elevations. His parents instilled a strong work ethic in him, and he worked for his parents at Roho Feed and Supply for many years, even after it transitioned to new ownership.

One fine day, Jim Bob noticed he had a pretty new neighbor, and when he went over to introduce himself, he fell head over heels in love with Rhonda Charlene Morrison. From that day on, Rhonda remembers Jim Bob was over every morning and after work trying to spend time with her. They united in marriage on April 21, 1984, at her parents' home. Jim Bob and Rhonda made their home in Ochelata where they raised two daughters, Miranda and Jordi.

Jim Bob first went to work at a Phillips Service Station before transitioning to the mail room and then the Research Center for the next 35 years. finalized his career at Chevron Phillips Chemical Co. as a Senior Chemical Technician. Throughout this time, Jim Bob also maintained his second and third jobs which was working as an independent oil field pumper for 34 years, and raising cattle and baling hay.

Jim Bob loved the Lord and was active as a Deacon at Ochelata Baptist Church. He was instrumental in church expansion, particularly the new sanctuary and Family Life Center. Friday nights were for eating tacos at Senor Salsa, oftentimes with friends and family, but especially his sweetheart Rhonda.

Hunting was his time away, usually for deer, turkey or elk in Colorado. Jim Bob was especially looking forward to an upcoming hunting trip for mountain lions in Utah with the boys, JR and Jaron. Rhonda and Jim Bob also found time to travel, visit parks and enjoy trips all over, including a memorable trip to Alaska. They made time to make precious moments that cannot be replicated and memories that live on in the hearts and lives that Jim Bob touched.

More than anything else on earth, Jim Bob loved his family. The grandkids did things with Papa such as feeding the cattle and pumping leases. He could often be found with a sweet smile on his face and a grandchild in his arms. He was never too tired to hug and spoil them. Most of the time when you saw Jim Bob you also saw his partner in crime, Casey Lewis.

Jim Bob is survived by his loving wife of 37 years Rhonda; two daughters Miranda Prather and JR, and Jordi Leach and Jaron; mother in law Sharon Morrison Baecker and Ron; brother Michael Askew and Linda; sister Sandra Grimm and Peter; and five beautiful grandchildren, Coatney, Duke, Cora,

Ronnie and Bane. He will also be missed by a host of cousins, in-laws, extended family, church family, childhood buddies, colleagues and friends. He is preceded in death by his parents.

Jim Bob's family will receive friends at the Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory – Walker Brown Chapel, 918-333-7665, 4201 Nowata Rd, Bartlesville, on Tuesday, from 6-8 p.m. Visitation will also be held on Tuesday from 10-8. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Ochelata Baptist Church Building Fund, PO Box 290, Ochelata, OK 74051.

Funeral services will be held 10 a.m. on Wednesday, at the Ochelata Baptist Church. Interment will follow in the Ochelata Cemetery. Services are under the direction of Carter Davis and the Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory – Walker Brown Chapel. Online condolences and remembrances may be shared at www.DavisFamilyFuneralHome.com.

Cemetery Details

Ochelata

West 2900 Road
Ochelata, OK

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 7. 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory - Walker Brown Chapel
4201 Nowata Rd
Bartlesville, OK 74006
(918) 333-7665
davisfamilyfuneralhome@gmail.com

Family and Friends Gathering

SEP 7. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Davis Family Funeral Home & Crematory - Walker Brown Chapel
4201 Nowata Rd
Bartlesville, OK 74006
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Funeral Service

SEP 8. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Ochelata
290 N Ochelata St.
Ochelata, OK 74051

Tribute Wall



“ *Davis Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jim Bob Askew*



Davis Family Funeral Home - September 06, 2021 at 12:41 PM

CH

Absolutely excellent. I still can't believe that he is gone.

Charles - September 07, 2021 at 02:27 AM

LC

I always looked forward visiting him when he stopped in at my express tag agency a really great guy

Linda savage thurman craighead - September 09, 2021 at 05:07 PM

SH

“ *Praying for comfort for the family. Remembering that smile all through our school days.*

Sandy Hadley - September 09, 2021 at 07:22 AM

SF

“ *Beautiful tribute. He will truly be missed. Met him many years ago. Fly high Jimbo till I see once again.*

Sherry Foster - September 08, 2021 at 12:16 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jim Bob Askew.



September 07, 2021 at 08:32 PM



“ Errun Ding purchased the Simply Elegant Spathi phyllum for the family of Jim Bob Askew.



Errun Ding - September 07, 2021 at 02:01 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jim Bob Askew.



September 07, 2021 at 01:16 PM



“ Qing Yang purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jim Bob Askew.



Qing Yang - September 07, 2021 at 01:16 PM

JM

“ 7 files added to the album Memories Album



JJ Morgan - September 07, 2021 at 12:41 PM

ZC

“ It is a great honor to work closely with Jim Bob for almost three years. Jim and I work together to complete many research & development projects in this short period. He was always smiling and lighting me up and did bring me a lot of happiness. Jim taught me a lot, like, his knowledge, experience, work ethic and beyond. Jim is a great coworker and friend! You will live in our memories for ever! Still can't believe he is gone..

Zhou Chen - September 07, 2021 at 11:42 AM

ZC

“ Zhou Chen purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jim Bob Askew.



Zhou Chen - September 07, 2021 at 11:19 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jim Bob Askew.*



September 07, 2021 at 10:41 AM



“ *Amazing slides Rhonda you did an awesome job. He will be missed. I so enjoyed our PF Chang meals we all had together. He was the best*

Debbie Wittner - September 07, 2021 at 10:32 AM



“ *Are hearts goes out to the family.. Prayers 🙏 for each one of you. So sorry for your loss, Jim Bob was a good man !! always a smile from one ear to the other. I heard of so many good things that he's done he will be missed. We lived across the pasture from one another growing up, at times my parents would visit and us kids would play until late at night, a lot of good memories.*

Randy Moore & family

Randy Moore - September 07, 2021 at 07:57 AM



“ *Jim Bob was the Chairman of Deacons in our Church. A man that everybody loved.. He will be deeply missed, but the memory of who Jim Bob was & what he stood for will never die. I pray God will give peace & comfort to his wonderful family during this difficult time.*
Bro. Bill & Shirley Spencer

Bro.. Bill Spencer - September 06, 2021 at 08:36 PM

MP

“ I am so sad that Jim Bob has gone on to be with Jesus at such an early age. So sorry for you, Ronda and girls and all the family. I remember being his Headstart teacher.. I would drive by to pick him up on my way to school and he would be waiting on the porch for me with that beautiful smiling face. Always called me Teacher! What a fun year that was! We love all of you and will keep you in prayer.
Marvale and Jerry Parry

Marvale Parry - September 05, 2021 at 09:21 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jim Bob Askew.



September 05, 2021 at 08:58 PM

AK

“ I am sending my Prayers Daily for the family and will continue to do so since our Hearts are so sad for this tremendous Loss of this Christian Man, Husband, Father, Grand Father, and FRIEND to so many of us. I have so many memories of growing up with Jim Bob that I will Cherish going forward I only wish after high school I would have been able to get back more often to visit that is my only regret. I can at this time take Comfort in knowing he is in Heaven.

Love Alan & Sheila King

Alan King - September 05, 2021 at 04:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Jim Bob Askew.*



September 05, 2021 at 09:42 AM



“ *In these days of COVID my wife and I had the rare chance to visit our son and grandson in New York and deeply regret that we are not able to be with our "Work Family" at this time. For more than 25 years I worked daily with Jim and always appreciated his cheerful personality and hard work. He joked that he would have a project and be my boss and we shared that fantasy that he would have time after he retired. He always kept himself so busy with several projects that I admired his energy. There have been few times that I have ever felt such a deep loss. It is so easy to take things for granted and believe that everyone around us will be there and now I am both saddened and a bit angry with these times and at a great loss to express how I feel.*

Joel Martin - September 05, 2021 at 07:53 AM



Thank you d soooo much for these words ... they lift my soul❤️Rhonda

Rhonda Askew - September 05, 2021 at 10:46 PM



“ *Rhonda and family, words cannot express how I hurt for you. My heart is broken, Jim Bob was just about the cutest little guy and handsome man. Lots of hugs and prayers for you all.*

donna boling - September 04, 2021 at 08:00 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Jim Bob Askew.



September 04, 2021 at 06:09 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of Jim Bob Askew.



September 04, 2021 at 04:33 PM



“ *Serenity Wreath* was purchased for the family of Jim Bob Askew.



September 04, 2021 at 02:12 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Jim Bob Askew.



September 04, 2021 at 01:57 PM

MM

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Max McDaniel - September 04, 2021 at 01:46 PM

MM

“ *Jim-Bob was an incredible guy. Always friendly and helpful. Someone everyone liked. A smile on his face and a laugh in his voice. That's the way he always was and we will greatly miss him at work.*
Max

Max McDaniel - September 04, 2021 at 01:43 PM

RA

Thank you sharing the pic... and the wonderful, kind words of Jim ❤️
Rhonda

Rhonda Askew - September 05, 2021 at 10:48 PM

CD

“ *The Askew family is not just friends to us they are family! We love each one of you and are so sorry your family is going through this. My you feel Gods peace and comfort that only comes through his Holy Spirit!*
Steve and Cindy Dixon

Cindy Dixon - September 04, 2021 at 01:32 PM