



James Ronald Brown

February 3, 1954 - March 10, 2016

James Ronald Brown, 62, a resident of Grand Prairie, died on Thursday, March 10, 2016 at a local hospital.

Graveside service: 2 p.m. Thursday, March 17, 2016 at DFW National Cemetery. A Memorial Service will follow at 3 p.m at Faith Lutheran Church, 2200 SW 3rd Street, Grand Prairie, TX, 75051, where he was a member.

James, or Jimmy as he was known to friends, was born on February 3, 1954 in Omaha, Nebraska. He was the son of a military family, moving often when the Air Force would transfer his father. The family would eventually settle in Grand Prairie where he would graduate from South Grand Prairie High School, where he was active in sports with a particular passion for baseball.

He was a talented player with a promising career. As a youth his abilities would allow him to meet Mickey Mantle, an honor he would cherish for the rest of his life. A knee injury would end his dream of becoming a major league baseball player.

Jimmy would enlist in the US Army, serving honorably for 4 years. His service would include time spent in Louisiana as well as Germany. He would earn several commendations, including expert badges for .45 caliber and the M-16 rifle, Army Commendation Medal and Good Conduct Medal.

Jimmy's work life led him to really enjoy driving trucks, especially the long-hauls over the road. He also enjoyed working in the yard and doing carpentry projects.

Survivors: mother, Yoshie Takahara Brown; siblings, Gwendolyn Brown Reynolds and her spouse Reggie, Bob Brown and his spouse Carla, Michael Brown and his spouse Lori; nieces and nephews; Robyn, Rachel, Robby, Alisa, Makenzie, Christian, Chloe and Amelia. Also survived by great-nieces and nephews, all whom he loved dearly.

He was preceded in death by his father, Waymond Jolly Brown and a nephew, Christopher Allen Reynolds.

Cemetery Details

DFW National Cemetery

2000 Mountain Creek Parkway
Dallas, TX 75211

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAR 17. 2:00 PM - 2:30 PM (CT)

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