



## Willie Jay Spears

February 28, 1935 - December 24, 2008

WILLIE JAY SPEARS, AGE 73

And a resident of Thomas died at noon Wednesday December 24, 2008 at St. Tammany Parish Hospital. Mr. Spears was a member of Thomas First Baptist Church, a retired dairyman, and served as Constable of Ward 8 having been elected 20 years, which he thoroughly enjoyed. He was a devoted husband, loving father, grandfather and father-in-law and a dear friend to those who knew him. Survived by:

Wife of 52 years: Billie Sue Terrell Spears of Thomas

3 Daughters and Sons-in-law: Donna and Randy Adams Kim and Darryl Cooper Heidi and Randy Woodward all of Thomas

6 Grandchildren: Trenton and Coby Adams, Brett and Brittney Cooper, and Chance and Caden Woodward

2 Brothers: Leslie, Jr. and Cynthia Spears of Sheridan Willard Spears of Thomas

2 Sisters and a Brother-in-law: Rita and Louis Breland, Marylou Bufkin all of Thomas

Mother-in-law: Lendorse Terrell of Pine

An Aunt: Elizabeth Creel of Thomas

A Special Friend: Leroy Nielson of Thomas

Also Survived by many more brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews, other family and friends

He was preceded in death by his son Danny Raymond Spears, parents Leslie

“Buss” and Frances Creel Spears, 2 brothers and sisters-in-law Richard and Nell Spears and Landers and Bobbie Spears, brother-in-law Clyde Terrell and father-in-law William Terrell

Visitation will be at Crain Funeral Home Friday December 26th from 5 pm until 10 pm and after 9 am on Saturday. A funeral service will be held at 11 am Saturday in the funeral home chapel with Eld. Clyde Cooper, Rev. Denny Brumfield, Eld. Richard Magee and Rev. Bobby Ray Spears officiating. Burial will follow in the Nobles Cemetery.

Pallbearers: Dewayne Terrell, Lindy Terrell, Garland Spears, Randy Spears, Richie Spears, Landers Spears, Jerry Lane Creel, Steve Terrell

Honorary Pallbearers: Larry Terrell, Glynn Haley, Leroy Nielson, Mike Miller, E.T. Spears, Ocie Magee, Chris Lewis, David Scott, Johnny Crain, Wayne Kuhn, Ed Deas, Monroe McElveen, Arlie Bryant, Van Thomas, Lloyd Ball, Dewey Thomas, Phillip R. Thomas, Dr. Jerry Thomas, Tommy Terrell, Louis Breland, Harold Ritchie, Eugene Martin, Michael Williams, Daniel Gill, Alice Terrell, Billy Wayne Spears

# Tribute Wall

DS

“ You will be missed but never forgotin...love you Uncle Willie J

Dane' Spears - March 06, 2009 at 07:23 PM

EM

“ I am so sorry for your lost. I have been thinking about all of you. Sorry I didn't get to come. Sincerely, Eloise Magee

Eloise Magee - January 05, 2009 at 11:08 AM

EC

“ Kim and family So sorry for your loss. You and your family are in our prayers. We love you. Jon, Elaine, Eric and Matt

Elaine And Jon Crain - January 02, 2009 at 07:04 PM

AW

“ We were really sorry to hear of Mr. Willie J's passing, you all are very dear people and our thoughts and prayers are with you. I am most sure he will truly be missed and we sincerely pray God will bless and give you the comfort you are in most need of at this trying time.

Adney & Carolyn Whaley - December 29, 2008 at 08:01 PM

JR

“ Kim, I had the utmost respect for your Dad. My fondest memory was his steadfast support of the Lady Raiders in my coaching days at Pine High School when you and your sister played there. He was a kind man who supported and loved you, your mother and your wonderful family. His memory will give you solace as you look to God for strength. My prayers will be with you in these days.

Jim Richardson - December 29, 2008 at 06:38 PM

MS

“ *Willie Jay Spears*

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**Mark and Gerry Schroeter** - December 29, 2008 at 05:57 PM

MS

“ *Hedi & Family, I am truly sorry for your loss, you have my deepest sympathy. You are in my prayers, love Melinda.*

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**Melinda Stafford** - December 29, 2008 at 01:45 PM

JM

“ *Kim, I was so sad to hear about your dad. You and your family are in my prayers.*

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**Jennifer jackson Mizell** - December 27, 2008 at 09:14 PM

TS

“ *Our deepest sympathy are with all of you during your time of loss. God bless you. Larry and Sharon Spears*

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**The Spears** - December 27, 2008 at 06:50 PM

TF

“ *Our prayers and thoughts are with you all. God bless you! Scooter, Amanda, Dylan and Harlie Jordan*

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**The Jordan Family** - December 27, 2008 at 06:48 PM

LV

“ *so sorry to hear about the passing of mr. willie j. god bless your family during this time.*

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**lorie tynes vernon** - December 27, 2008 at 12:51 PM

DF

“ *Our sympathies - sorry I was not able to come by the funeral home.*

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**Dr.,\ Gerald Foret** - December 27, 2008 at 11:55 AM

DT

“ *Our condolences to your family during this time of grief. Our thoughts and prayer are with you!*

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**Dean and Becky Thomas** - December 26, 2008 at 05:52 PM

TS

“ *You will be missed you have always been a very honest and loving man. I was very sad when I heard of your passing. Lots of love and prayers from Tina Spears*

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**Tina Spears** - December 26, 2008 at 04:49 PM

SM

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. He was a sweet man. Your family will be in my prayers.*

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**Sandra Penton Mohon** - December 26, 2008 at 02:38 PM

RS

“ *I am sorry about the loss of Mr. Willie J. He was a good man and I appreciate him and the concern he had for others. You are in may prayers. Randy & Sheila Seal*

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**Randy "Country" Seal** - December 26, 2008 at 02:32 PM

BL

“ *Kim, I am very sorry to hear about your loss. I will pray for you and your family. Becky Penton Ladner*

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**becky ladner** - December 26, 2008 at 01:34 PM

RS

“ I had the utmost respect for Willie J., and am saddened to learn of his demise. I am convalescing from heart bypass surgery, but wish I could come see you and the family to properly pay my respects. I thought of Willie J. as a strong ole guy who would live forever, and thanks be to God that he will-in Heaven, where we will all meet again. May God bless you through your time of mourning, and remember that Willie J. is in a much better place than we, so there is no fear for him. Yours in Christ, Reggie Simmons

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**Reggie Simmons** - December 26, 2008 at 10:54 AM

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“ TO ALL THE SPEARS WE WILL MISS MR WILLIE J. HEIDI ,  
ILOVE ALL OF YOU MRS MARGUERITE LIPANI

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**marguerite** - December 26, 2008 at 10:48 AM