



## Mr. Jasper C. Pinyan

July 16, 1929 - November 28, 2020

J.C. was born at the family home in Tarrant to Henry and Ethel (Cornelius) Pinyan. During the Great Depression his family lived on his grandparents' farm in Conn's Creek, Georgia. The five years spent there instilled in him love of family, strong work ethic and practical knowledge he would use the rest of his life. At age five, J.C. began school at the one-room school at Conn's Creek. In Alabama, he attended Rockwood, Gardendale, Mortimer Jordan, and graduated from Minor High. J.C. worked at U.S. Steel until Uncle Sam called, then he joined the Army. At the onset of the Korean Conflict, he was transferred to the 11th Field Artillery 24th Division where he saw action in five major battles, was promoted to Staff Sergeant and received the Bronze Star for valor. J.C. retired from U.S. Steel, then worked in construction, and was custodian at Snow Rogers Elem. School. Of the many milestones in his life, most important to him was his decision to accept Christ as Savior. He was ordained a deacon at Mineral Springs Baptist Church and later continued his ministry as a deacon at Beechwood Baptist. J.C. loved his family. He was married to the love of his life, Dora Jim Cupps, for 64 years and they had three daughters. He was a steadfast provider and a supportive husband and father. J.C. loved bluegrass music, University of Alabama sports, his John Deere, a big breakfast, and working with his hands.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Dora, parents Henry and Ethel Pinyan, and siblings Martha Templin and Roger Pinyan. He is survived by daughters

Sheila McAnnally (Terry), Sherri Pinyan, and Sandra Holmes (Darren); grandchildren Devin McAnnally (Brittani), Jordan Holmes, Jacob Holmes (Anna), and Jeb Holmes; great-grandchildren Mary, Claire and Sarah McAnnally; siblings Mary Salter and William "Bud" Pinyan (Dianne). Also surviving him are many nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, December 3, at Gardendale Heritage Funeral Home, with visitation to begin at 10 a.m. The family requests that masks be worn. Weather permitting, a graveside service will be held at Mt. Olive Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Gary Sinise Foundation, which supports our service members, veterans and their families.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Gardendale Heritage Funeral Home  
2214 Decatur Highway  
Gardendale, AL 35071  
(205) 631-8810  
gardendalefuneralhome2@gmail.com

## Funeral Service

DEC 3. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ 22 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Gardendale Heritage Funeral Home** - December 02, 2020 at 06:30 PM

TH

“ We are so sorry for your loss. We will miss him at the Pinyan Reunions in the future.



**Tim & Kathy Haley** - December 01, 2020 at 12:58 PM

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*So sorry for his loss but I know he had a great welcoming in heaven! We loved him very much. He had such a special place in my Heart. ❤️*  
*Love Donna & Scott Wilson*

**Donna & Scott Wilson** - December 02, 2020 at 02:33 PM

RM

*I'm sorry for your loss. I know how hard this is. I will be praying for your family.*

**Robin McSwain** - December 02, 2020 at 05:18 PM

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*So sorry for the loss of such a fine man. I have just now learned of J C's passing . May God comfort you all is my prayer.Loved your mom and dad.*

*Carl and Gloria Roberts ( neighbors for many years) .*

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**gloria roberts** - December 10, 2020 at 07:27 AM