



## James Raymond Mann

August 7, 1939 - August 5, 2024

James Raymond "Jim" Mann, aged 84, of Afton, Oklahoma, passed away on August 5, 2024. Born on August 7, 1939, in Big Spring, Texas to Louis and Mary (Smotherman) Mann, Jim lived a life marked by dedication to his family, his faith, and his passion for aviation.

Jim served honorably in the Air Force for over five years as a jet mechanic, a role that fueled his lifelong passion for aircraft. Following his military service, he joined Beechcraft Corporation in Wichita, Kansas, where he excelled as a test pilot before later in life delivering airplanes across the globe.

Known for his honest and caring nature, Jim was deeply committed to his community and his church, Lake Center Baptist Church on Monkey Island, where he was a devoted member. His hobbies included woodworking, reading, studying his Bible, and especially flying—his ultimate passion. He also enjoyed fixing up his home, always adding personal touches and improvements.

Jim is survived by his loving wife, Roberta; son, Ray Mann of Park City, Kansas; and one adored granddaughter, Alexis Mann of Wichita, Kansas. He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, two brothers, and his son, Brian Mann.

Services will be held at 10am on Friday, August 9, 2024, at Lake Center Baptist Church, 29020 S Highway 125, Monkey Island, OK 74331. Arrangements are entrusted to Nichols-Stephens Funeral & Cremation Services of Grove, OK.

The family requests that contributions may be made to the Lake Center Baptist Church Building Fund at the same address. Jim's legacy of kindness, service, and faith will be remembered by all who knew him.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

AUG 9. 10:00 AM (CT)

Lake Center Baptist Church  
29020 OK-125  
Afton, OK 74331-8062  
(918) 257-5202

# Tribute Wall

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