



## Jimmy "Sonny" Holyfield

September 23, 1940 - July 2, 2025

Jimmy "Sonny" Holyfield, a proud Navy veteran and retired banker, passed away on July 2, 2025. He was born September 23, 1940, in Martinville, Arkansas. He was the son of Clyde Earl Holyfield and Gennie Mae New Holyfield. A proud father, he found great joy in his family and his children's accomplishments. Sonny was an avid outdoorsman who loved hunting, fishing, and hitting the golf course whenever he could. Sonny cherished his time serving with the Lions Club in Texas. He cherished time spent with friends and family.

He is survived by his children, Eddie (Shannon) Holyfield of Texas, Natalie (Troy) Houghton of Texas, Jennifer (Andy) Coates of Texas, and Melissa Kelley of Arkansas; grandchildren, Brennan Holyfield, Taylor Houghton, Aiden Houghton, Nathan Coates, and Ambrosia (Alexander) Jeffery; sisters, Judy Roberson of Arkansas and Rhonda (Rick) Blackwood of Texas; and a numerous nephews, friends and other family members. Other than his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Shirley J. Shreiner.

A graveside service will be at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, July 24, at Martinville Cemetery with Bro. John Chapman officiating. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the CARTI Foundation for cancer treatment. CARTI Foundation, P.O. Box 55011, Little Rock, AR 72215.

# Cemetery Details

## Martinville Cemetery

Martinville, AR

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

JUL 24. 10:00 AM (CT)

Martinville Cemetery  
Martinville, AR

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Anna Maria McQuain lit a candle in memory of Jimmy Holyfield*



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**Anna Maria McQuain** - October 31, 2025 at 09:15 PM

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“ *Joe and Kay Fougrousse lit a candle in memory of Jimmy Holyfield*



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**Joe and Kay Fougrousse** - July 04, 2025 at 03:37 PM

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“ *Jim. &I joined the National Guard at15, joined the Navy together at 17, started College together at 21, started our Finance and Banking careers at 25 and never looked back  
RIP my friend  
Gary Lee*

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**Gary Lee** - July 03, 2025 at 05:21 PM