



## Lonnie Gene Bateman

May 4, 1942 - June 6, 2025

Lonnie Gene Bateman, age 83, of Jerusalem, Arkansas, passed away Friday, June 6, 2025. He was born May 4, 1942, in Atkins, Arkansas, a son of the late Jessie Oscar Bateman and Bessie Orlena Dickey Bateman.

Survivors include his wife Virginia Aleda Mills Bateman of Jerusalem; son, Barry (Mallika) Bateman of Knoxville, Arkansas; daughter, Corinne (Matt) Keeton of Jerusalem; grandchildren, Jessie (Alyssia) Keeton, Makenna Keeton (Casey Jones), Shelby Bateman and Shannon Bateman; sisters, Mae (Robert) Flowers and Shirley Morin; brothers, Henry (Pam) Bateman and Tommy (Gail) Bateman.

Other than his parents he was preceded in death by sisters, Frances Lorton, Billie Gleich, and Mary Scroggins; brothers, Lee Roy Bateman, Donald Bateman, and Raymond Bateman.

Funeral services will be 2:00 p.m. Friday, June 13, 2025, at Cedar Creek Church of Christ located 1.8 miles west of Jerusalem on Highway 124, with Paul Collins officiating. Burial will be at Cedar Creek Cemetery. Arrangements are by Harris Funeral Home of Morrilton. Visitation will be 6:00-8:00 p.m. Thursday, June 12, at the funeral home.

# Cemetery Details

## Cedar Creek Cemetery

Jerusalem, AR

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 12. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Harris Funeral Homes - Morrilton  
1325 Oak St  
Morrilton, AR 72110  
(501) 354-4575

## Funeral Service

JUN 13. 2:00 PM.

Cedar Creek Church of Christ

# Tribute Wall

BJ

“ *Billy & Bonnie, David & Patricia, Janet purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Lonnie Gene Bateman.*



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**Billy & Bonnie, David & Patricia, Janet** - June 12, 2025 at 08:45 PM



“ *Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of Lonnie Gene Bateman.*



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June 10, 2025 at 02:10 PM

CF

“ *Clay Cole and Family purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Standing Spray for the family of Lonnie Gene Bateman.*



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**Clay Cole and Family** - June 10, 2025 at 12:46 PM

CF

“ *Clay Cole and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lonnie Gene Bateman.*

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**Clay Cole and Family** - June 10, 2025 at 12:46 PM

TB

“ When we were growing up Lonnie was my happy, kind, tough big brother. When the forestry guys stopped our school bus to ask for help lonnie was the first guy up to volunteer... when anyone needed help. Really will miss his phone calls on birthday, he did his best to keep in touch.

*Tommy Bateman*

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**Tommy Bateman** - June 09, 2025 at 05:53 PM

TB

“ Tommy & Gail Bateman purchased the Blue & White Sympathy Basket for the family of Lonnie Gene Bateman.



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**Tommy & Gail Bateman** - June 09, 2025 at 05:38 PM

TB

“ Tommy & Gail Bateman planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lonnie Gene Bateman.

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**Tommy & Gail Bateman** - June 09, 2025 at 05:38 PM

JP

“ We send our prayers and deepest sympathy to Aleda and the entire Bateman family at the passing of Lonnie. I count it a privilege to have known Lonnie as a friend. As we went our separate ways after graduating from high school, I kind of lost contact with Lonnie. However several years ago we renewed our friendship as Lonnie was instrumental in getting our graduating class together for class reunions. Lonnie took it upon himself to spearhead our class reunions. He kept in contact with as many of our classmates as possible. If you wanted to know something about one of our class members, Lonnie could probably tell you.

Over the past few years Lonnie and I often visited by phone and shared a lot of memories. Lonnie loved his family and just about every time we talked he would talk about his family whom he dearly loved. We would often talk about the Lord and church. Lonnie's death did not catch him unprepared. In our last conversation just a few weeks ago one of the last things Lonnie told me was that he was prepared to go to heaven.

I think every time we talked, Lonnie would say, "Call me any time. I would be glad to talk with you." I will have to wait until heaven to talk with him again, but I expect to continue our conversations where there will never again be sickness, death or separation.

"May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:7).

*James and Betty Pike*

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**James Pike** - June 09, 2025 at 05:01 PM

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“ Southern Oak Church Of Christ -Austin TX purchased the Classic Fireside Sympathy Basket for the family of Lonnie Gene Bateman.



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**Southern Oak Church Of Christ -Austin TX** - June 09, 2025 at 02:35 PM

MC

“ Milano Church of Christ purchased the Classic Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of Lonnie Gene Bateman.



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**Milano Church of Christ** - June 08, 2025 at 06:08 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Lonnie Gene Bateman.



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June 08, 2025 at 11:12 AM