



James Loyd Parnell Sr.

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James Loyd Parnell, Sr. affectionately known as "Red Eyes", age 77, of Fairview, Tennessee, passed away peacefully at home on August 21, 2025.

Born on October 30, 1947 in Nashville, TN, Loyd lived a life filled with joy, friendship, and love. He was a man who loved deeply, and his smile and spirit could light up any room. Loyd never met a stranger, and his generous heart touched countless lives.

He dedicated 57 years to the Masonic Lodge, 45 years to the Al Menah Clown Unit, and 34 years of service to the Metro Nashville Airport Authority before retiring. Loyd was also a proud member of the York Rite and Scottish Rite. Yet, above all his accomplishments, his greatest joy and devotion were to his beloved bride of 55 years, Rosalie, and their family.

Loyd is survived by his loving wife, Rosalie Vota Parnell; his son, James Loyd Parnell, Jr (Wheels); his daughter, Susan Parnell Hughes and son-in-law Travis Hughes; grandchildren, Hunter and Taylor Hughes; niece, Bonny Hopwood; nephew, Barney Hopwood; along with a host of cousins, extended family, and friends who will cherish his memory.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Neil Wallace Parnell, Sr. and Helen L. "Honey" Yates Parnell; his brother, Neil Wallace Parnell, Jr., and sisters, Mildred Hopwood and Nina Sue Hendon.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Shriners Hospitals for Children, a cause close to Loyd's heart.

Loyd's love for Jesus gave him peace through the end, and his legacy of love, kindness, and integrity will live on forever in the hearts of all who knew him.





Events

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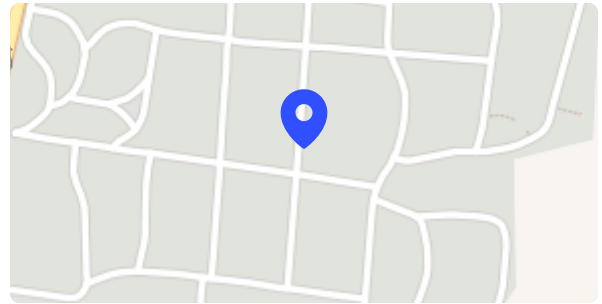
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Visitation

 **Friday**, August 29, 2025


 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM CT

 **Spring Hill Funeral Home**
5110 Gallatin Pike S, Nashville TN 37216

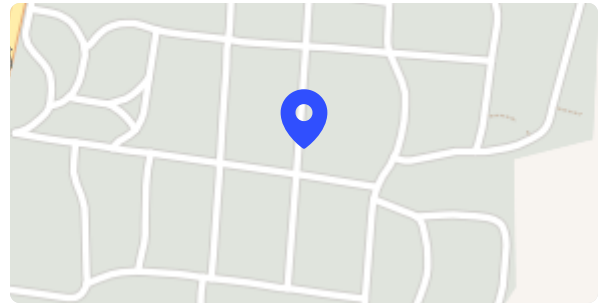


Funeral Service

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 12:00 PM CT

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Tribute Wall

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Spring Hill Funeral Home And Cemetery shared a **Video**.



August 29 at 11:18 AM



Fred Hinde posted:

Rose, Jimmy and Susan, my prayers, heart and thoughts are with you today and the days yet to come. I wish I could make it to the services today, but I'm laid up in bed. I'm going to miss my good friend of so many years, and Loyd will be missed by many, MANY in the community and his Masonic family. He was a great person, friend, mason and clown! You will be missed my brother, Fred Hinde

August 29 at 9:01 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Parnell family.



August 27 at 11:46 AM



Melissa Laster lit a candle in honor of James.

Susan, I'm so sorry for the loss of your dad. Praying that amazing memories will bring you some comfort & little bits of joy in the coming days as you navigate this colossal loss. 🙏



August 26 at 12:13 PM



Robbie Keeler posted:

Loyd was always a GREAT cook. Alont of memories at the Airport. RIP as you are missed.

August 25 at 11:16 PM



Media

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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring James by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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