



James Arlius Ford

May 4, 1946 - June 17, 2026

James Arlius Ford, 80, of Ozark, Arkansas, fell into the arms of Jesus on Wednesday, June 17, 2026. He was born on May 4, 1946, in Paris, Arkansas, to Rolland and Wanda Smith Ford. James was a Christian and a member of the Ozark First Baptist Church. He was an educator in Arkansas public schools for 40 years, a Junior High Principal for the Ozark Junior High School, an assistant Superintendent for the Ozark Public Schools, CEO of the Triple F Ranch, and a member of the Arkansas Cattlemen's Association. In his spare time, he loved to read, hunt, fish, and farm.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

James is survived by his beloved wife of 60 years, Janie Harper Ford of Ozark; one daughter, Gwen Faulkenberry of Ozark; one son, Jim Ford and wife Rene of Ozark; seven grandchildren, Grace Sadler and husband Kyle, Harper Faulkenberry and wife Brooklin, Madeline Ford, Sophia Ford, Adelaide Faulkenberry, Stella Faulkenberry, and Hunter Ford; two sisters, Brenda Walden of Cecil, Arkansas, and Linda Torres and husband Francisco of Ozark; one brother, Mike Ford and wife Kaye of Ozark; a sister-in-law, Vien Wimberly and husband Brad of Ozark; and numerous nieces, nephews, and dear friends.

Visitation will be 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., Sunday, June 21, 2026 at Shaffer

Funeral Home, 2315 W. Commercial Street in Ozark.

Funeral service will be 10:00 A.M., Monday, June 22, 2026 at the First Baptist Church, 304 West Market Street in Ozark, with Brother Ben Lairamore and Jim Ford officiating, with a private family burial under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home.

Serving as pallbearers will be Jim Ford, Michael Ford, Harper Faulkenberry, Hunter Ford, Kyle Sadler, Matt Williams, Mark Rippy, and Gary Langston. Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Bob Bond, Dr. Glen Fenter, Carter Coven, David Johnson, Wesley Sigman, and the First Baptist Senior Adult Class.

*In lieu of flowers, the family has asked that donations be made to Ozark Schools Student Lunch Debt.

To leave an online memorial visit www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com

Today's Events

Visitation

JUN 21. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Shaffer Funeral Home
2315 West Commercial Street
PO Box 680
Ozark, AR 72949
(479) 667-4147
shafferfuneralhome@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

Funeral Service

JUN 22. 10:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
304 West Market Street
Ozark, AR 72949

Private Family Burial

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Tribute Wall

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“ Prayers and love—Virginia C. Brown purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of James Arlius Ford.



Prayers and love—Virginia C. Brown - Yesterday at 11:07 PM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of James Arlius Ford.



Yesterday at 10:15 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Arlius Ford.

Yesterday at 10:15 PM



“ Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of James Arlius Ford.



Yesterday at 09:12 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Arlius Ford.

Yesterday at 09:12 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of James Arlius Ford.



Yesterday at 09:06 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Arlius Ford.

Yesterday at 09:06 PM