



Mr. Dennis Champion

April 30, 1956 - September 13, 2021

Mr. Dennis Champion, 65, of Worth County, died on Monday, September 13, 2021 at his residence.

The graveside service will be held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, September 15, 2021 at the Salem Baptist Church Cemetery. The Rev. Danny Story will officiate.

Mr. Champion was born on April 30 1956 in Albany, GA., to the late Jimmy F. "Jim", and Elma Lee Harris Champion. He had lived Worth County all of his life and was a farmer. Mr. Champion was on the Board of Directors for Mitchell EMC in Dougherty County for 15 years. He was the 1975 Young Farmer of the year in Dougherty County and the 2008 Senior Farmer of the year in Worth County. Mr. Champion enjoyed farming, and going to the lake. He also loved spending time with his friends and family, especially his grandchildren. Mr. Champion was a member of Salem Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Penny Champion of Worth County; children, Jim Champion (Mary), and Allison Sumner (Taylor) all of Worth County; step-children, Sim Bozeman (Allyson), Allye Lloyd (Grant), and Savannah Fields (Matt); grandchildren, Jackson Sumner, Ella Sumner, Austin Champion, Kinslye and Mabrye Lloyd, Mackenzie, Tucker and Colton Bozeman, LynneLee and Waylynee Fields; sister, Beverly C. Hendrix (Billy) of Sylvester; nieces, Jennifer McDougald, and Whitney Hendrix.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Georgia Sheriffs' Youth Homes, 3000 Hwy 42 N. McDonough, GA. 30253, or to the Salem Baptist Church Cemetery fund, 902 Jewel Crowe Road Sylvester, GA. 31791.

Please sign our online guest registry at www.banksfh.com.

Banks Funeral Home in Sylvester is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

SEP 15. 11:00 AM (ET)

Salem Baptist Church Cemetery
902 Jewell Crowe Road
Sylvester, GA 31791

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Dennis Champion*

January 28, 2023 at 12:53 PM

HW

“ *Allison, Jim, Penny, Beverly and family, we were so very sorry and saddened to hear about Dennis. He was always a pleasure to be around. Dennis had a way of making you feel special any time you were around him, and we will miss that a lot. We cherish our fond memories of visiting with him. Our thoughts and prayers are with all the family in the difficult times ahead.*

Hubert and Barbara Wood

Hubert and Barbara Wood - October 01, 2021 at 12:41 PM

MP

“ *So sorry to hear of Dennis passing I thought a lot of Dennis & his dad, the family will be in my prayers.*

melvin paulk - September 19, 2021 at 04:05 PM

CG

“ *Chad And Myla Gunter lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dennis Champion*



Chad and Myla Gunter - September 16, 2021 at 11:06 PM

DN

“ *I will miss Dennis and the times that we shared joking and cutting up. He always made me laugh he will be missed within our EMC family! Our thoughts and prayers are the Penny and Jim and the family.*

david norton - September 16, 2021 at 09:42 AM

JW

“ *So sorry for your loss. Keeping you all in our thoughts and prayers.*



Jason & Kristi Whittington - September 16, 2021 at 08:43 AM

FF

“ Jim, Allison, and family, I was so saddened to hear about Dennis. I know condolences are a small relief for the pain you must be feeling. I pray that God will wrap his loving arms around you and comfort you now and in the days to come.

Felecia Fincher - September 15, 2021 at 11:59 AM

BB

“ Keeping the Champion family in our thoughts and prayers today and in the days ahead. Our condolences to you all 🙏🙏🙏
Don and Belinda Bowman

Belinda Bowman - September 15, 2021 at 08:43 AM

DB

“ Praying for all of you at this most difficult time 🙏 For peace and comfort.

Debbie and Greg Bridges



Debbie and Greg Bridges - September 14, 2021 at 09:28 PM

SJ

“ Sandra Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dennis Champion



Sandra Jones - September 14, 2021 at 09:10 PM

RH

“ Dulce and I are both thinking of you all, prayers from Texas.
Rusty

Rusty Hardin - September 14, 2021 at 05:29 PM

MK

“ Martha (Coley) Katz lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dennis Champion



Martha (Coley) Katz - September 14, 2021 at 03:24 PM

LC

“ *Larry Crowe lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dennis Champion*



Larry Crowe - September 14, 2021 at 11:51 AM

KZ

“ *We will be keeping Champion family in our thoughts and prayers. We will miss Mr. Dennis coming by the Mitchell EMC office in Sylvester to pay the bills. May God be with you all during this time.*

Kathy Zipperer - September 14, 2021 at 11:46 AM

DP

“ *My husband, Thomas Williams, and I graduated high school with Dennis. We were fortunate to catch up with him this summer and meet some family members after a funeral for another classmate. Dennis was always smiling and such a nice guy! Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.*

Dimi Pace - September 14, 2021 at 08:46 AM

JF

“ *Jim, my deepest heartfelt condolences. Prayers for you and the family.*

Jeff Fowler - September 14, 2021 at 07:53 AM

BY

“ *Jim, I'm so sorry for your family's loss. Prayers for all of you during this time & for the days ahead.*



Beth Yonce - September 14, 2021 at 06:29 AM

KK

Penny I am sooo sorry for your loss. May God be with you and your family in all the days that come. Kandy Knight

Kandy Knight - September 14, 2021 at 11:08 AM

CH

“ Charlotte Souter Hall lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dennis Champion



Charlotte Souter Hall - September 14, 2021 at 12:20 AM

AP

“ Jim , I'm so sorry about your dad. Dennis was a wonderful person and will be missed. Prayers for your family.

Amanda Parr - September 13, 2021 at 09:56 PM

TM

“ It was a pleasure to know such a wonderful man and to listen to his stories. I'm so sorry. Prayers for each of you.



Tosha McDonald - September 13, 2021 at 09:28 PM

MM

“ To the Champion family! Dennis was my buddy! I loved eating lunch with Dennis and Jim and you and Mary if y'all got to come. I am so going to miss him. I have great memories in the stories he told us and him laughing at the stories and making fun of the ones I shared.

I am praying for y'all! I love y'all!!

Marilynn Hurst Mims - September 13, 2021 at 09:22 PM

RH

“ Ms. Penny, Jim and family,
Tracy and I would like to offer our condolences for your loss. Mr. Dennis was always a pleasure to see at our place of business and he will be greatly missed. Our prayer for your family is that God would give you the comfort and peace that only He can provide during this time.

Ricky & Tracy Harrell - September 13, 2021 at 08:58 PM

CY

“ *Carol York lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dennis Champion*



Carol York - September 13, 2021 at 08:07 PM

JM

“ *Beverly and family. We are so sorry to hear about Dennis. Our love and prayers to you all.*

Judy Stripling Martin - September 13, 2021 at 07:46 PM

JO

“ *June And Lee Odom lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dennis Champion*



June and Lee Odom - September 13, 2021 at 07:46 PM



“ *Tony Senkbeil lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dennis Champion*



Tony Senkbeil - September 13, 2021 at 07:31 PM

Denise
Watson

“ *I'm so sorry Beverly and family. I have such fond memories of Salem Baptist and the Chambless families. You're in my thoughts and prayers. Much love, Denise Watson and Michael Ruffin*



Denise Watson - September 13, 2021 at 07:03 PM

EC

“ So sorry to hear this news. Prayers sent to his family and friends. God bless you all!



Evelyn Fletcher Castleberry - September 13, 2021 at 06:44 PM

FD

“ I'm so saddened to hear this. A great man. Thoughts and prayers for the family and loved ones...



Frank Davis - September 13, 2021 at 06:40 PM

DJ

“ We have so many memories of Dennis and his family. He was a good friend. Our hearts go out to the family. Prayers for comfort. He will be missed.

Margie and Dennis James

Dennis and Margie James - September 13, 2021 at 05:48 PM

BP

“ Bonnie Potts lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dennis Champion



Bonnie Potts - September 13, 2021 at 05:10 PM

VH

“ So sorry for your loss he was a dear friend had good times with Dennis. Thinking of the family & praying for everyone. He loved his family.

Vicki Hart - September 13, 2021 at 03:53 PM

DB

“ I am so sorry my sweet friend. I am praying for you and your precious family. I love you, Dena Barkley



Dena Barkley - September 13, 2021 at 03:25 PM

EM

“ Eddie, Anita & Seth McKenzie lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dennis Champion



Eddie, Anita & Seth McKenzie - September 13, 2021 at 03:20 PM

SW

“ Sandra Watson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dennis Champion



Sandra Watson - September 13, 2021 at 01:40 PM

CJ

“ Carole Burkhart Jones lit a candle in memory of Mr. Dennis Champion



Carole Burkhart Jones - September 13, 2021 at 01:06 PM

DD

“ Danny and I are so sorry to receive this news. Our thought and prayers are with all the Champion family. With love, Danny and Debbie Dunn

Debra P Dunn - September 13, 2021 at 12:50 PM

DB

“ I'm so sorry to hear about Dennis... Thinking of you Penny as you try to deal with this premature loss... I'm positive your plan was to grow old together.. prayers to you and your families... Dennis and his family were always great neighbors and church family to us.

Donna Odom Broadaway - September 13, 2021 at 12:26 PM

EW

Sorry to hear of your lost. Prayers to you and your families.

Emma & Jesse Wright - September 16, 2021 at 08:16 PM