



Mr. Leotis Velma

September 12, 1959 - October 3, 2025

We pause today and bow in humble submission to the memory of one so dear, whose life stood forth as a shining light for everyone to see. His kindness and gentle love will forever be remembered by us all.

Mr. Leotis Velma was born September 12, 1959, in Hughes, Arkansas, to the late Cornellius “Jimmy” Velma and Ida Lee Velma. He departed this life on October 3, 2025, at his home in Widener, Arkansas.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Cornellius (Jimmy) Velma and Ida Lee Velma; three brothers, Loyd T. Moore, Cornellius Velma, and Joe Velma; and one sister, Martha Jean Velma McKinney.

Leotis was a devoted father, loving family member, and a faithful friend to many. He will be remembered for his hard work, generous heart, and dedication to helping others. For over 20 years, he worked faithfully alongside Derrick Spears with Bad Boy’s Transmission, where he was respected for his skill and dependability. In addition, he labored diligently on the farm for more than 20 years, finding joy and pride in honest work and the satisfaction of providing for others.

He leaves to cherish his memories: his sons, Otis Mason of Forrest City, Arkansas; Keith Velma of Omaha, Nebraska; and Kendrick Britt of Forrest City, Arkansas; his brothers, Henry C. Velma of Colorado Springs, Colorado, and Lewis Clay (Patricia) Velma of Forrest City, Arkansas; his sisters, Lula Mae Leaks of Camden, Arkansas; Diane (Henry) Lee of Madison, Arkansas; Flordia Mae Kinnard of Fort Smith, Arkansas; and Della Mae Spencer of San Bernardino, California.

He also leaves behind six grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives and friends who will forever cherish his memory.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 17. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

Miles J. Kimble Mortuary & Cremation
1900 South Washington Street
Forrest City, AR 72335
(870) 633-1914
mjkimble@yahoo.com
<http://www.mjkmortuaryandcremation.com>

Service

OCT 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

AC

“ *Angela Crippen lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leotis Velma*



Angela Crippen - November 03, 2025 at 08:52 PM



“ *Keisha Lawless lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leotis Velma*



Keisha Lawless - October 18, 2025 at 02:44 AM

ST

“ *Velma family and friends, Heartfelt condolences to you at this most difficult time.*



Shirley Williams Thorn - October 17, 2025 at 07:53 PM

BW

“ *Bonnie Watson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leotis Velma*



Bonnie watson - October 17, 2025 at 03:24 PM

RW

“ *Rene' Ward lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leotis Velma*



Rene' Ward - October 13, 2025 at 10:18 AM

TF

“ Thompson Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Mr. Leotis Velma.



Thompson Family - October 12, 2025 at 02:40 PM

JB

“ Our sincere condolences and prayers for the family. You were a hardworking man. Many memories of you during our ginning season in Widener.
~Daniel Perez Jr & J.Alicia Badillo



J Alicia Badillo - October 11, 2025 at 10:24 PM

RE

“ Reese Edwards lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leotis Velma



Reese Edwards - October 11, 2025 at 05:58 AM

TW

“ Tabitha Watkins lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leotis Velma



Tabitha Watkins - October 10, 2025 at 10:05 PM

LJ

“ Lee Williams Jr lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leotis Velma



Lee Williams Jr - October 10, 2025 at 07:22 AM

JT

“ *Condolences to The Family*

Jerry Thomas - October 09, 2025 at 07:57 PM

AN

“ *Praying for my family...Sending prayers and love*



AnnaBritt - October 09, 2025 at 07:15 PM

IM

“ *Irene Moore lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leotis Velma*



Irene moore - October 09, 2025 at 06:53 PM

TK

“ *Travis Kimble lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leotis Velma*



Travis Kimble - October 09, 2025 at 05:14 PM

KL

“ *Katherine Lyons lit a candle in memory of Mr. Leotis Velma*



Katherine Lyons - October 09, 2025 at 03:27 PM

DA

“ *Della Allen sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. Leotis Velma*



Della Allen - October 09, 2025 at 03:03 PM