



James Howard Gerard, Jr.

November 9, 1942 - January 20, 2026

James Howard Gerard, Jr., known as Jimmy to friends and family, passed away peacefully on Tuesday, January 20, 2026, at his home in Sharpsburg, surrounded by his wife and children. Jimmy was born in New Orleans, Louisiana, on November 9, 1942, to the late Margaret Brown Strassel (Pete). Friends and family are invited to attend a funeral mass celebrating Jimmy's life on Wednesday, January 28, 2026, at 11:00 AM at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church, 3 Village Road, in Newnan, Georgia. The family will receive friends at the church on Wednesday from 10:00 AM until service time. Burial will follow the mass at Oak Hill Cemetery in Newnan.

Along with his parents, Jimmy is preceded in death by his son, James H. Gerard, III (Mary), and sister, Marjorie Strassel. He is survived by his beloved wife, Janice Kerley Gerard; children, Gregory Gerard (Tara), Warren Gerard (Jill), Suzanne Lenning (Justin); grandchildren, Jessica Sexton (Jeremy), James Gerard IV, Elizabeth Gerard (Christian), Merideth Gerard, Gregory Gerard, Jr., Angelica Skinner (Matt), Emily Lenning, and Erin Lenning. He is also survived by great-grandchildren, Chloe, Gracen, Amelia, Skylar, Willow, Zoey, Collins, and Grant.

Also, sisters Diane Leake (William), Marie Sanders (Duke), and Mary Strassel. Condolences may be expressed to the family online at www.mckoon.com.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory 770-253-4580

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

96 Jefferson Street
Newnan, GA 30263

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 28. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church
3 Village Road
Newnan, GA 30265

Funeral Service

JAN 28. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church
3 Village Road
Newnan, GA 30265

Tribute Wall

TM

“ *The Markeys purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of James Howard Gerard, Jr..*



The Markeys - January 27 at 03:15 PM

TM

“ *The Markeys planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Howard Gerard, Jr..*

The Markeys - January 27 at 03:15 PM

MM

“ *Mary and Marie purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of James Howard Gerard, Jr..*



Mary and Marie - January 27 at 09:32 AM

MM

“ *Mary and Marie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Howard Gerard, Jr..*

Mary and Marie - January 27 at 09:32 AM

GG

“ Greg & Tara Gerard purchased the A Full Life for the family of James Howard Gerard, Jr..



Greg & Tara Gerard - January 24 at 07:07 PM

JM

“ Joan Mullinax purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James Howard Gerard, Jr..



Joan Mullinax - January 23 at 03:01 PM

JM

“ Joan Mullinax planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Howard Gerard, Jr..

Joan Mullinax - January 23 at 03:01 PM

FF

“ From your Gallopade Family. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Howard Gerard, Jr..



From your Gallopade Family. - January 23 at 02:15 PM

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“ From your Gallopade Family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Howard Gerard, Jr..

From your Gallopade Family. - January 23 at 02:15 PM

PH

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of Mr Gerard we will keep you in are prayers. The Hughes Family

Patricia Hughes - January 22 at 11:05 AM