



## James (Jimmy) Owen Reeder

June 4, 1957 - March 24, 2025

James “Jimmy” Owen Reeder, of Forney, passed away on March 24, 2025. Jimmy was born in Terrell on June 4, 1957, the youngest of five children, to Willie Owen and Juanita Evelyn (Hickson) Reeder, both of whom preceded him in death along with his brother, Tommy Reeder, and brother-in-law, Jerry Cates.

He lived his whole life in Kaufman County where for many years he worked alongside his dad on their farm in Forney. Jimmy was happiest when working the land and driving all types of heavy farm machinery to help with baling and harvesting cotton and other crops, including their famous and well known cantaloupes. Seeing the sun rise on the fields and set on a hard day’s work was the ultimate in happiness for Jimmy and he truly loved what he did every day.

Jimmy is survived by his former wife, Cindy Reeder; son, Beau Reeder; granddaughter, Laila Reeder; three sisters: Patricia Cates, Sally Richmond and husband, Michael, Susan Clark and husband, Ray, as well as many nieces and nephews along with his beloved dog, Charlie.

Jimmy’s life and legacy will be celebrated with a future memorial that will be announced at a later date.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Michael M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James (Jimmy) Owen Reeder.

Michael M. - June 16, 2025 at 08:52 PM

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“ We lost a great soul . He was one of the kindest people I know. He loved all his friends A LOT. Not to mention his love for his best friend(Charlie). They had a bond that was more priceless and most people will never experience love like they had as humans. He was there for me when no one else was and I hope he is the Lord's right hand man cause heaven just got a blessing with his presence. Rest in piece my dear friend. Save me a seat right beside you Jimmy reader. Miss you so much.



Alicia Stilwell - April 10, 2025 at 08:22 AM

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“ So many years had past since our youth. There are so many memories of the youthful days at the old Reeder farm and growing up together. Some include Granpa Reeder letting us jump into the cotton seed bins and running all over the property. Then as we grew into teenagers. Jimmy always had a smile on his face and always full of joy and love. He will be missed very much. But knowing that he is in heaven celebrating now makes us know that everything is okay. Thank you Jimmy for sharing your love with us.  
Rick

Rick Welborn - March 28, 2025 at 09:09 AM



*Yes thank you*

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**Alicia Stilwell** - April 10, 2025 at 08:27 AM