



James "Jim" Elmer Foster

December 25, 1944 - January 28, 2026

James Elmer Foster, age 81, passed away peacefully at his home in Willow Oklahoma on January 28, 2026. He was born on December 25, 1944, in Lawton, Oklahoma, to Jackson James Foster and Audrey Lee Glenn Foster. James grew up in Seminole and Pottawatomie Counties, where he met Priscilla Jo Ann Thompson in 1960. They were married from 1961 to 2016 and devoted their lives to faith, service, and family. Together, they raised one son and three daughters. James spent 54 years ministering to various Church of Christ congregations, dedicating his life to preaching, teaching, and serving others through his faith. His ministry touched countless lives across the years. If you ever met James, you would often hear him say he liked things simple — “just call me Simple Jim.” That humble outlook guided every part of his life. On July 11, 2020, James married Linda Johnson, and together they spent the last five years living in Checotah, Oklahoma. In his quieter moments, James enjoyed metal detecting, tinkering on electronics, fishing, and antique hunting, hobbies that reflected his curiosity and appreciation for simple pleasures. James was preceded in death by his parents, Jack Foster and Audrey Foster Nona; his son, James Douglas Foster; and his wife, Jo Ann Foster. James is survived by his wife Linda (Johnson) Foster, of Checotah, Oklahoma; his brother, Chris Nona and wife Renee of Hebron, Kentucky; his children, Jo Rita and husband William Corless of Yukon, Oklahoma; Jo Nita and husband Steven Babek of Elk City, Oklahoma; and Jo Vonna and husband Kyle Wheeler of Dill City, Oklahoma; Laura Rogers and her husband Darin of

Checotah, Oklahoma Jarrett Johnson and his wife Kari of Eufaula, Oklahoma Jennifer Elkins and her husband Michael of Rogers, Arkansas; Four nephews, Timothy Nikoley, Jamison Nikoley, Thomas Nona, and Samuel Nona; Seventeen grandchildren, Brittany Cordray, Caleb Foster, Jacob Foster, Andrew Haden, Julie Haden, Randa Fransen, David Babek, Johnathon Wheeler, and Kody Wheeler; and eight more he loved very much. and nineteen great-grandchildren; and a host of other family members and friends. James will be remembered for his steadfast faith, gentle spirit, and lifelong dedication to serving others.

Public viewing for Jim will begin on Monday, February 2, 2026, 2:00 P.M. until 8:00 P.M., People's Funeral Home, located at 1400 W. Main, Lone Wolf, OK, 580-846-9018.

Family present to receive friends on Monday, February 2, 2026, 5:00 P.M. until 7:00 P.M. People's Funeral Home, located at 1400 W. Main, Lone Wolf, OK, 580-846-9018.

Chapel services for Jim will be held on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, 2:00 P.M., People's Funeral Home Chapel, located at 1400 W. Main, Lone Wolf, OK, 580-846-9018. Interment to follow at Willow Cemetery, Willow, OK.

Online condolences for Jim can be made by visiting www.peoplescooperativerfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Willow Cemetery

N1940 Rd
Willow, OK

Previous Events

Public Viewing

FEB 2. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Teresa & Chris Dyer & family purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of James "Jim" Elmer Foster.



Teresa & Chris Dyer & family - January 30 at 03:17 PM

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“ Teresa & Chris Dyer & family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Jim" Elmer Foster.

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“ Tori Cline and family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James "Jim" Elmer Foster.



Tori Cline and family - January 30 at 02:57 PM

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“ Tori Cline and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Jim" Elmer Foster.

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“ Jenny Moore and family purchased the Beautiful i
n Blue for the family of James "Jim" Elmer Foster.



Jenny Moore and family - January 29 at 01:25 PM

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“ Jenny Moore and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Jim" Elmer Foster.

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