



## W. D. CROWDER FUNERAL HOME

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**ARRANGEMENTS: VIEWING AND VISITATION: THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2022, 10 AM-1 PM. FUNERAL TO FOLLOW 1 PM AT FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH, 2871 FRIENDSHIP ROAD, CROSS PLAINS, TENNESSEE 37049; INTERMENT, FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH CEMETERY.**

**James Terry Groves was born August 7, 1942, to the late Rogied and the late Robbie Groves of Cross Plains, Tennessee. On Friday January 1, 2022 at the age of 79, the Lord called him home to take his rest.**

**Terry accepted the Lord at an early age at the Friendship Baptist Church. Terry took the role of the Deacon with sincerity and commitment. He served as the Chairman of the Deacon Board for a number of years. He was a true born leader and taught others to do the same. He was a devoted member of the Male Chorus. James never met a stranger and had the heart of a true servant. If you needed him all you had to do was call and he would be there.**

**Terry was educated in the Robertson County School System, where he was a graduate of the 1960 Class of Bransford High School. He was a member of the high school band where he played the trombone.**

**Terry worked at The Peterbilt Motors Company for thirty -three years where he received numerous certifications one being in blueprint reading. He received other certifications from the Auto Diesel College in large machine repair and welding. He was an entrepreneur as a small business owner, "Handy Man Service" where he acquired major contracts with Dollar General. He became the go to person for whatever was needed in the home, where he serviced the local community. He was always available to fix whatever was needed. Terry was the type of person you would love to be around. You never heard him have cross words or argue with anyone. If he said he would be there, you could take him at his word. Anything that needed fixing around the church, he was there to take care of it.**

**Preceding him in death were his parents, Rogied and Robbie Groves; two brothers, Robert Lee and Lee Hitler Groves; and one sister, Catherine Woodard.**

**He leaves to cherish his memories: a loving and devoted wife of fifty -seven years, Sue Groves; three sons, Reverend Arneal (Kimberly) Strain, Jason and Terry Allen (Tammy) Groves; grandchildren: Denae, Daterria, Kylah, Kimauri, Taylor, Shaun, Cason and Katen Groves; great -grandchildren, Laiken and Tyler Groves; niece, Edna Dowlen who was raised as his sister of Cross Plains, TN; two sisters -in -law, Martha Groves of Indianapolis, IN and Emma Strain of Nashville, TN; uncle, Jim Thomas Groves (Emma Groves); a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.**