



## Jamie Jinks Best, Jr.

June 15, 2004

Jamie M. Jinks Best, Jr. , age 79, of Pee Dee Road North, died June 15, 2004 at the Conway Medical Center. Born January 12, 1925 in Horry County, he was a son of the late Jamie M. Best, Sr. and Laura May Wingard Best. He was predeceased by his wife of 50 years, Jean Altman Best and by one sister Edna Earle Lewis. Mr. Best graduated from Aynor High School where he was an outstanding basketball and baseball player and was a member of the Athletic Hall of Fame. He attended Wofford College before volunteering to join the U.S. Marine Corps after the attack on Pearl Harbor. He was a Sergeant in the 22nd Marines and saw action in the South Pacific. He was wounded on Guam, received the Purple Heart, Good Conduct Medal, and a Presidential Merit Commendation. For five years he was the Veteran's Service Officer for Horry County. In 1953, he was appointed Rural Letter Carrier at Galivants Ferry with a route of 95 miles. He enjoyed serving the patrons until his retirement in 1988. He was a member of Aynor United Methodist Church and the Friendship Bible Class. Formerly he was a member of Sandy Plain United Methodist Church where he served as Sunday School Superintendent, Chairman of the Administrative Board and youth leader for numerous years. He retired from 30 years service on the Board of Horry Electric Cooperative, Inc. of Conway, SC where he was Chairman for many years. He also served for 17 years on the Board of Pee Dee Farm Credit and was Chairman for a number of years. He was a member of the Aynor American Legion Post #81 and Waccamaw Voiture 1316 of the 40 & 8, serving both as Commander and

Chef de Gare. He was Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #7259 of Conway, SC. Surviving is one son, Jamie M. Best, III and his wife Tracy of West Columbia; two daughters, Lynne Best Atkinson and her husband Ralph of Marion, SC and Allison Best of Galivants Ferry; five grandchildren, Ernest Johnson Atkinson, Catherine Atkinson Johnson, William Pressley Best, Jeremy Carlton Best and Aubrey Rae Best; two brothers, Fred G. Best of McClellanville, SC and Pressley Dorn Best of Galivants Ferry; three sisters, Hattie Best Polk of Waynesville, NC, Miriam Best Altman of Summerville, SC and Barbara Best Shelley of Greenwood, SC. Funeral services will be held 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Aynor United Methodist Church with the Rev. Dennis Mardis officiating. Burial will follow in Sandy Plain United Methodist Church Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Wednesday from 6 to 8 p.m. at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel. Memorials may be made to Sandy Plain United Methodist Church Cemetery Fund, c/o Pressley Best, 17475 Pee Dee Rd. North, Galivants Ferry, SC 29544.

# Tribute Wall



“ My sorry goes out to the family of US Marine, Jamie Jinks Best Jr. My Dad was in the 6th Marine corps. Div. in the south pacific, WWII. I am the Service Officer for Post 178 American Legion in Murrells Inlet, SC. The Officer's and members of Post 178 are very sad at the loss of our beloved and honored comrade.##imported-begin##Brent E. Davidson##imported-end##

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March 05, 2005 at 12:00 AM



“ Lynne, I am very sorry to hear about your dad. Please know I was thinking of you even though I couldn't be there in person.##imported-begin##Twyla Altman##imported-end##

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June 20, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ Jamie, Certainly was sorry to hear about your dad. I can't even imagine how you might feel having lost both parents in such a close time period. Jennie and I send our best and wish we had been able to get down to see you during this time. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Emmett Tolson and Boo Jennie Smutz##imported-begin##Emmett Tolson##imported-end##

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June 19, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ To Jamie, Tracy and the children: Please know we are praying for you at this difficult time. You have our sincere sympathy. We are so sorry we cannot be at the service. We will be watching for you as you return home. God bless you. Your neighbors across the street: Lonnie and Hazel.##imported-begin##Lonnie & Hazel Shull##imported-end##

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June 17, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear about Jinks. My heart goes out to you. What a great and generous man. Please let me know if I can be of any help. Chuck##imported-begin##Chuck Niemeyer##imported-end##

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June 16, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Lynne, Jamie and Allison, I love you and want to express my love of your father, my uncle. Uncle Jinx was so kind, gentle and generous. I just loved the times at Lake Greenwood and attending Uncle Jinx's square dances every Thanksgiving. I will miss his warm smile and loving hugs. Love to you, Deborah##imported-begin##Deborah Lewis##imported-end##

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June 16, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ Mr. Best was my mail man when I was a teenager. He was always very friendly. I also worked with Miriam. My prayers are for all of you.##imported-begin##Joel Strickland##imported-end##

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June 16, 2004 at 12:00 AM



“ *To the Best Family, I was very sorry to hear of Mr. Best's passing. I know losing two wonderful parents in such a short time is very heartbreaking. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Fynette Rabon and family##imported-begin##Fynette Rabon##imported-end##*

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