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My brother, LINK, gone 22 years. Killed by Agent Orange. I'm wearing his shirt.

<http://LAMKINS.tripod.com/Link.html>

Memorial To LINK LAMKINS



John Cumpston

So sorry, Jake. Peace to you and your Brother.

Norna Holm

So sad

John Cumpston

Love this remembrance of your dear Brother, Jake.

May his memory be a blessing to all who knew him.

Jake Lamkins

Thank you!

Melissa McCutcheon Milton

Jake, I believe I knew your brother in the late 70s. I worked at B & B Barbecue when I was in high school. I remember a Link who worked there as a cook. He looked just like the man in the Memorial photos.

I recently ate there with two of my own brothers. Here it is, decades later, and I was telling my brothers a funny story about Link. Back in the 70s he would crack us up laughing by getting on those orange phones people used to call in their orders from the restaurant booths. He'd disguise his voice and we'd think he was a customer. His voice would come over a loudspeaker in the kitchen. He's start off serious, then make the order more and more far fetched while we wrote furiously with a pencil on the notepad, trying to keep up. We'd begin to suspect something was up. Then he'd give himself away by adding... "and a bowl of chili, and a moon pie." We'd laugh and say, "Awww, it's Link. GET OFF THE PHONES, LINK!!"

I never connected the dots that he was your brother. Well, I know how funny you can be as well, Jake. I bet you two had an uproarious time growing up together.

I'm sorry for your loss. <hugs>

Jake LAMKINS

Oh my! Missy!

That is him!

How could we have known each other all these years and not made the connection. Outrageous & Uproarious are perfect adjectives for Link! This remembrance has made my day.

Link rented a trailer from the Bassetts on South College too. There are some hilarious and raunchy stories from his stay.

Thanks again for sharing. Hugs right back at you.

Dorothy Sealy

Sorry

Ann Fite Daniell

Sorry for your loss

Martha Chadwick Lindvall

So sorry!

Dorothy Johnson

Jake, Link would be so proud that you are wearing one of his shirts. Today, August 31, is my brother's birthday & he was killed by Agent Orange, as well. I've thought about Allen all day. The blues has me as well! Thinking of Link today! Purple Hearts: one for Link, one for Allen!

Jake Lamkins

Sending a big hug your way. I got a Rik shirt too for those days.

Dorothy Johnson

Jake Lamkins, I know, and I think it's cool that you wear their shirts!

Mary Frances Clark Edwards

Love how you remember and honor the ones you love! James, had he lived, would have been 76 this past Sunday, on the 27th! We never forget them as long as we live. Love you, cuz!

David Davies

It's so cool to see you in that shirt.

**Jake LAMKINS**

A July 1982 photo of me and Link at Newport, Arkansas. We were attending the LAMKINS Reunion which had a goodly turnout of many of our relatives that we had never met. Link was in a euphoric mood at the potluck lunch and demonstrated to one and all his prodigious talent for eating beans and cornbread without the use of utensils. All were mightily impressed, especially when he added a scoop of mayonaise on top .

That evening he kept us awake, and most of the other folks in our motel, going through his repertoire of animal sounds . He considered himself an expert animal mimic and failed to understand why we did not fully appreciate many loud renditions of his collection. I finally fell asleep near dawn while he crowed his rooster imitation.