



## James M. Grashaw

March 4, 1940 - April 20, 2020

Grashaw, Mr. James M.  
Mt. Pleasant, Michigan

Our loving husband, father, grandfather, brother and uncle passed away on Monday, April 20, 2020, at the age of 80 years. James M. Grashaw was born on March 4, 1940, in Saginaw, Michigan, to the late Nelson M. and Emma P. (Gugel) Grashaw. Jim married Sandra H. (Alexander) Grashaw on July 28, 1962, in Saginaw, Michigan. He is survived by his wife, Sandy and their children, Todd Grashaw (Laurie Gilroy), Kurt Grashaw, Holly Blanco; seven grandchildren, Megan Grashaw, Tim Grashaw, Lauren Grashaw, Tyler Grashaw, Amanda Blanco, Jessica Blanco, Brianna Blanco, Ralph Ricciardi and Emma Ricciardi; his in-laws, Paul Alexander and his wife, Mary Anka, Jack Lobsiger and his wife, Betty Jean, several nieces, nephews, cousins, extended family and friends. Jim was also predeceased by his sisters, Barbara Wolters and Donna Lobsiger, and his brother, Gerald Grashaw. Prior to his retirement, Jim was employed in the banking industry; was in management with several of his positions; was Vice President of Detroit and Northern, where his start was to oversee the planning and construction of the new corporate headquarters of the Detroit and Northern building in Hancock, Michigan; also in charge of the new Marquette branch; was President of Family Savings and Loan in West Springfield, Virginia. After retiring, he wanted to open his own consulting company and did so for six years. His

coworkers and friends all have sent notes saying, "Jim was a leader in his field, fair, honest, kind and had a special rapport with his employees and workers." He had incredible work ethics. He was a good Christian man, a humble servant of his Lord and it showed. Several also commented, "No one even had a bad thing to say about Jim." His memberships included Faith Lutheran Church in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, Mortgage Lenders, Rotary, and was awarded the Paul Harris Honorary Award. Jim's hobbies and past-times were bowling, coaching his children's sports teams, reading and traveling. In accordance with Jim's wishes, cremation has taken place. The celebration of Jim's life will be held at a later date. Those wishing to express their love and sympathies are asked to consider a memorial contribution to Faith Lutheran Church, 1402 E. Preston, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan 48858, in loving memory of Jim. Memories and sympathies of Jim may be shared with the family on his memorial website at [WakemanFuneralHome.com](http://WakemanFuneralHome.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Holy Cross Lutheran Cemetery

4700 Brockway Rd.  
Saginaw, MI 48638

# Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall



“ *James M. Grashaw*

September 13, 2022 at 05:01 PM



“ *James M. Grashaw*

September 13, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ *Jim. Hired me at Family S and Loan. He was a good boss and a nice man Very active with Rotary and Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. He had a difficult job as S and L. President. It was a tough time in the banking industry. May he Rest In Peace. Frank Connors Springfield. Virginia*

**Frank Connors** - July 08, 2022 at 04:54 PM



“ *Sympathy to an old classmates family. We will continue to keep you in our prayers.*

*Bob and Mary Ruppel.*

**Robert Ruppel** - May 06, 2020 at 07:02 PM



“ *Well wishes and prayers for his family. Forgotten were Holly's wife Michele and daughter Jennifer and Todd's long term partner Laurie and her children Ralph and Emma. Blessings.*

**Holly Blanco** - May 06, 2020 at 07:26 AM

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“ I was raised with Jim at Holy Cross Lutheran Church and School -- our families worked together in and for the church for many years. The Jim I knew as a young person loved sports and had a great sense of humor. My family lived on West Michigan Ave., next to Sandy's grandparents, the Alexanders. I loved their kindness--called them Ander and Mrs. Ander before I could pronounce their last name. Sandy and I played together as children when she visited her grandparents.

*My husband Bill and I have lived in Grand Blanc, MI for almost 25 years. We keep ties with Saginaw where we both still have family members.*

*My husband and I extend our deep sympathy at Jim's passing to his wife Sandy and his family.*

*Emily ("Ginny") Johnson Beck*

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**Ginny Johnson Beck** - May 04, 2020 at 10:59 AM

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*Sandy & family, I was sad to hear that Jim had passed away. Jim was a very kind man. In the short time I knew him it was obvious how much he cared for other people. Jim will be missed. 🙏 For all of you.*

*Respectfully,  
Deb Nartker*

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**deb nartker** - May 21, 2020 at 06:07 PM