



Mr. James T. Rutherford

March 2, 1935 - April 4, 2018

Rutherford, Mr. James T.
Saginaw, Michigan

Mr. Rutherford passed away peacefully on Wednesday, April 4, 2018, at the Cartwright Hospice Residence. Age 83 years. James Thornton Rutherford was born on March 2, 1935, in Saginaw, son of the late James and Myrtle (Thornton) Rutherford. Jim married Nancy Schram on September 7, 1957, at St. John's Amelith. Nancy survives him. Prior to his retirement, Jim was employed as a sheet metal worker in construction. His Christian affiliations included Peace Lutheran Church, Kairo's Prison Ministry, Via De Christo and Valley Lutheran.

Surviving besides his wife, Nancy, are their children, Susan Rutherford, James J. (Caryn) Rutherford, Eric (Stacey) Rutherford; grandchildren, JR, Graysen, Finley, Paul and James; great-grandchildren, Traeton and Ty; brothers, Warren (Judy) Rutherford, Jack (Vera) Rutherford, and sister, Patricia (Robert) Flathau; also several nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Jim was also predeceased by his daughter, Rebecca Lynne Rutherford and his brother, Roger Rutherford.

Jim's funeral and committal services will be held 11:00 a.m., Monday, April 9, 2018, at Peace Lutheran Church, 3427 Adams Ave., Saginaw. The Rev. C.

William Weis and The Rev. Matthew Hauser will officiate. Cremation will follow. Friends are welcome to visit with the family on Sunday at Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc., 1218 N. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., then at the church on Monday from 10:00 a.m. until the time of the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be considered to Valley Lutheran, Peace Lutheran, or Cartwright Hospice Residence. Memories and sympathies of Jim may be shared with the family on his memorial website at WakemanFuneralHome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 8. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Wakeman Funeral Home, Inc.
1218 N. Michigan Ave.
Saginaw, MI 48602
(989) 752-8531
wakemanfh@charter.net

Visitation

APR 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Peace Lutheran Church
3427 Adams Ave.
Saginaw, MI 48602

Funeral and Committal Services

APR 9. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. James T. Rutherford*

September 13, 2022 at 05:01 PM



“ *Mr. James T. Rutherford*

September 13, 2022 at 02:27 PM



“ *We are going to miss Jim's smile and laugh around the pool down in Florida. He made us feel welcome when first come to condo association. Always asked how the year was on the farm and loved talking about his days on the family farm and his career. We loved hearing him and Carl banter back and forth each getting their digs into each other at the pool . Our sympathies to the family what a nice man . rest in peace Jim. Alan and Cindy Fritz*

alan fritz - April 15, 2018 at 11:25 PM



“ *Rip Jim, thanks for the wonderful memories you created. We didn't see the obit until too late to attend showing or service, but our prayers are with you Nancy and family. Know he is resting in his well deserved peace, pain free and reunion with loved ones who went before him. Love to all! Keith and Darlene Moore*

Keith and Darlene Moore - April 09, 2018 at 12:57 PM

LM

“ *Lori Mollhagen lit a candle in memory of Mr. James T. Rutherford*



Lori Mollhagen - April 09, 2018 at 08:51 AM

DG

“ *Debra Guster sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James T. Rutherford*



Debra Guster - April 09, 2018 at 07:52 AM

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Debra Guster - April 09, 2018 at 07:50 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with u and your family*



Scott Sayers - April 09, 2018 at 07:47 AM



“ *Patrise Taylor-Harris lit a candle in memory of Mr. James T. Rutherford*



Patrise Taylor-Harris - April 09, 2018 at 07:44 AM



“ *You were a Great man Dad Rutherford, RIP Yolanda Medina-Spooner*

Yolanda Medina-Spooner - April 08, 2018 at 09:14 PM



“ *Rest In Peace Jim. Thank you for taking a moment out of your life to stop and chit chat with me when you were riding your bike. I will never forget your smile. The world needs more gentle souls like you buddy. Dawn Spooner*

dawn Spooner - April 08, 2018 at 04:49 PM

SD

“ Jim always had a smile on his face. He was a kind and generous man and an inspiration to all who knew him. He will be missed. Prayers for Nancy and the family.

Sue Dodge - April 08, 2018 at 12:03 PM

Jill
Minnett-
Glowacki

“ Jim always had a smile to share, and a story to tell. He had a passion for gardening and he love his family deeply. He has left many cherished memories for all of his family and friends. Peace be with the family of Jim Rutherford.

Jill Minnett-Glowacki - April 08, 2018 at 10:41 AM

MK

“ Michael & Lauren Glowacki, Michelle & Pete Knoll purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. James T. Rutherford.



Michael & Lauren Glowacki, Michelle & Pete Knoll - April 07, 2018 at 03:49 PM

GR

“ I remember my cousin as a warm , caring person. He always made time to talk with his younger cousins like me. He loved to shared a smile and a laugh with everyone. Jim was able to make all those he met feel special. He was a beloved cousin and brother in Christ

George Warren Rutherford

George Warren Rutherford - April 07, 2018 at 11:16 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. James T. Rutherford.*



April 07, 2018 at 09:24 AM



“ *Our family has lost its patriarch, and my heart feels heavy with sadness. Jim was such an extraordinary figure of kindness and love, and we will miss him. We really enjoyed the times we shared with him when we visited the family in Bradenton during the winter months. He kindly shared those Koegel hot dogs he carted all the way from Michigan, and whenever I see Koegel in the stores up north, I think of my oldest cousin, who brought them to Rutherford reunions, too. All my memories of Jim are warm ones. To Nancy, Sue, Eric and Jamie and the grandkids, and to my cousins Warren, Pat, and Jack, and families, I send my love and deepest sympathy. John, Johnny, and I are so sorry that we are unable to attend Jim's funeral. He was so special to all of us.*

Mary Skoglund - April 06, 2018 at 08:53 PM



“ *So many memories involving Jim come to our mind. He was a very caring, generous man who gave his all to EVERYONE. Rest In Peace Jim. We will see you soon.*

sue schram - April 06, 2018 at 06:17 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. James T. Rutherford.* ”



April 06, 2018 at 05:53 PM