



James Edward Ligney

September 23, 2019

James Edward Ligney, 78, of Essexville, our strong-willed and hardworking father, grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend was born into eternal life on the afternoon of Monday, September 23, 2019, surrounded by his three sons and joining his wife, Janet, exactly nine months from the date of her passing. Jim was born in Bay City on November 11, 1940, the son of the late Joseph and Louise (DesRosier) Ligney. While working his paper route, Jim met the former Janet Marie Karnath. They dated, fell in love, and were united in marriage on October 16, 1959. Jim proudly served in the U.S. Naval Reserves and retired from General Motors – Bay City Powertrain after 30 years of service. Those who knew Jim, will forever remember him for his love of woodworking and tinkering in the garage. Jim was a NASCAR fan and loved classic cars. In his younger years, Jim enjoyed hunting, and as he grew older, he enjoyed feeding the animals, and enjoying the outdoors. Jim will be deeply missed, yet lovingly remembered for years to come. He leaves to carry on his legacy, his three sons: Mike (Sandy) Ligney, Tim Ligney, and Kevin Ligney (Karen); granddaughter, Ashley Ligney (fiancée, Cody Block); brother, Larry (Vickie) Ligney; in-laws, Maureen and Margie Ligney, Kathy Moore, Ken Karnath, and Linda Karnath; beloved bird, Sunny; special granddog, Ella, along with many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents and his wife, Jim was welcomed home to heaven by his father and mother-in-law, George & Marie (Schubert) Karnath; siblings, JoAnn, Alvin, and Edward; niece, Shelly Moore, and brother-in-law, Virgil “Blue” Moore. Jim’s family will be present to receive visitors on Saturday, September 28, 2019 from 10:00 AM until Jim’s 11:00 AM Life Celebration at Skorupski Family Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 955 N. Pine Rd., Hampton Twp. A reception will follow in The Wesley Room. Private inurnment will be held in Floral Gardens Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be directed to the wishes of the family. Expressions of sympathy may be shared with the family online at <http://www.skorupskis.com>.

Comments



“ Dear Mike and Sandy and family, I'm so sorry for the loss of your dad. He sounds like he was a great man! He was in the U.S. Naval Reserves and was interested in a lot of cool things and he was married many years to your mom. He is with her now and happy. ?? My thoughts and prayers are with you and your brothers and other family members during this difficult time. I'm so sorry again.

Julie Williamson - September 26, 2019 at 12:00 AM



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Lisa Verhaeghe - September 26, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ Sorry to hear about your dad, Mike, Tim, and Kevin. He and my dad are back to playing horse shoes.

Michelle Windt - September 25, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ I'm so sorry to hear of the death of your loved one, James. It's so painful losing someone you love and it's something we can never get used to. Ecclesiastes 3:11 says God has "put eternity in their hearts." Yes, we desire to never die. The wonderful news is that those who do die have the hope of being brought back to life, right here on a paradise earth, a place in which God will "swallow up death forever." (Isaiah 25:8; 2 Peter 3:13) John 5:28, 29 further says: "Do not be amazed at this, for the hour is coming in which all those in the memorial tombs will hear his voice and come out." What a wonderful time we have to look forward to! Until then, may you find deep comfort in the "God of all comfort," Jehovah, and in his beautiful promises for our future. (2 Corinthians 1:3,4) Again, my deepest condolences go out to your family during this very difficult time.

Katy Velliquette - September 25, 2019 at 12:00 AM