



James Williams Jr.

May 19, 1943 - December 24, 2018

JAMES WILLIAMS

James Leroy Williams, Jr., age 75, Stover, Missouri, passed away Monday, December 24, 2018 in Lake Regional Hospital, Osage Beach, Missouri. He was born May 19, 1943 in Sweet Springs, Missouri, a son of James Leroy, Sr. and Irene Marie (Kottman) Williams.

On August 8, 1964 in Sweet Springs, Missouri, he was united in marriage to Maxine LaRue. Together they shared the past fifty-four years of marriage.

James was raised in Sweet Springs, Missouri and was a graduate of Sweet Springs R-7 High School in the class of 1961. While in Sweet Springs, he owned Standard Service Station, was very active in the Jaycee's (having held many offices) and was a volunteer police officer. He and Maxine lived for many years in the Kansas City area. They spent many weekends at the Lake of the Ozarks throughout the years and became full-time residents there in 2008. He was co-treasurer of the Mallard Bay 2 Crime Watch and a member of the Sons of the American Legion Zack Wheat Post 624.

In his free time, he enjoyed anything to do with the lake, especially fishing, boating and teaching people how to water ski. He loved fast cars and fast boats. He liked to travel and he and Maxine spent winters in Texas. Most of

all, time spent with his family was special to him. He was a very loving father and grandfather.

Survivors include his wife, Maxine Williams of the home; two children, Teresa Conley and husband Terry Knight of Riverside, Missouri and Aaron Williams and wife Meghann Zanga of Blue Springs, Missouri; ten grandchildren (in age order), Amber Pilarz and husband Brian, Ashley Beam, Alexis Opfer, Andrew Opfer, Cynthia Jones and husband Adam, Monica Pennington and husband Randy, Tina Ditmars and husband Dan, Cheyanne Huenefeldt, Nicholas Williams and Lyric Zanga; twenty-one great-grandchildren; two brothers, Jerry Williams and wife Yo of Cibolo, Texas and Morris Williams of Cole Camp, Missouri; his mother-in-law, Mickie Hemme of Laurie, Missouri and a host of other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a step-mother, Ruth Williams and two brothers, Roger Williams and Jack Williams.

Services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, December 31, 2018 at Kent Memorial Lutheran Church, Sunrise Beach, Missouri. Visitation will be from 10:00-11:00 a.m., Monday at the church. A committal service and burial will be at 3:00 p.m., Monday in Fairview Cemetery, Sweet Springs, Missouri.

Memorial donations may be made to Kent Memorial Lutheran Church or the Parkinson's Foundation.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of the Kidwell-Garber Laurie/Sunrise Beach Chapel.

Cemetery Details

Fairview Cemetery

700 N. Locust
Sweet Springs, MO

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 31. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Kent Memorial Lutheran Church
184 Sunset Hill Dr.
Sunrise Beach, MO 65079
<http://www.kentmemorial.com>

Service

DEC 31. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Jim and I were toddlers together at birthday parties. We were school mates from kindergarten through high school. I am saddened to hear of Jim’s passing but know that he is in heaven rejoicing. Prayers for you, Maxine and your family, for comfort during this time and in the months ahead. There are several of us who graduated together who understand the grief of losing our spouses. 🙏❤️

Nancy Payne Weaver - January 02, 2019 at 12:02 AM



“ What a great and very sweet man, you two were always a delight to be around at the Legion Post....lots of great memories in the Legion kitchen with the SAL, may he RIP🙏

Pamela Baty - January 01, 2019 at 04:47 PM

LC

“ I find it too difficult to find only one memory to share. I have spent a great deal of time thinking about Jim and his impact on our family since hearing from Maxine about his passing. Our family has reminisced and shared a lot of laughs and a few tears during these days. Our families have been so connected for so many years, there will be a huge missing piece as we go forward, but I will cherish all of the times we have had together. Most of the memories center around water, boats and camping - like sunken cars and boats, learning to ski and slalom, storms, hiding under the front of the boat, Jim's new toy, moves to the lake and sooo many more. But, there are also memories of card games, cabinet painting, baton contests, getting a kitten, the bowling alley, riding in the grain truck, several new homes, and your generous hearts in letting me stay with you in the city. It doesn't seem like enough, but my thoughts and prayers are with all of your family during this unspeakably sad time and during the new reality to come. Please consider all of yourselves hugged. I won't be there in person to offer support, but I will be praying and offering support from afar. Much love and comfort to all of you.

Lori Carrender - December 29, 2018 at 01:03 PM

AD

“ Fred and I will miss Jim so much. Seeing him pull up to the dock in that Old Red Sea ray we knew we were going to have some fun. Visiting over a couple drinks at Red Fox was one of our good memories. Going to Uncle Earl and Aunt Betty's was a hoot. We will definitely miss Jim.
Fred and Ann Dean

Ann Dean - December 27, 2018 at 07:13 PM

DG

“ *Dookie And Ray Grimes lit a candle in memory of James Williams Jr.*



dookie and Ray Grimes - December 27, 2018 at 06:38 PM

DG

He will be missed. We grew up together in Sweet Springs. Jim was loved by many.

dookie and Ray Grimes - December 27, 2018 at 06:40 PM

SW

“ *Maxine, your life nor the RGV will ever be the same. We will miss his smile, sense of humor, and twinkling eyes. Thankfully we do not grieve as those who have no hope — 1 Thes 5:13. Heaven does grow sweeter with each passing. Peace and love to you and your family at this painful time. Jim and Sheryl Watts*

sheryl watts - December 27, 2018 at 01:12 PM

LG

“ *Jim, always ready for a good party or boat ride! Thank you Jim for having been one of best lake neighbors we could ever have. We will miss him buzzing around in his golf cart, starting that boat up for his evening cruise, and sharing his homemade peppermint schnapps, but most of all his caring way, friendly nature and spirited attitude He will forever have a place in our heart and memories!*



Lana Goodman - December 27, 2018 at 12:29 PM

DT

“ Jim loved to dance. That was my first memory of him in the RV park at Paradise South. He also love to swim and enjoyed the social events. Will miss your humor. Prayers your way as you enjoy your eternal journey.

Dale Thomas

RV Buddy

Dale Thomas - December 27, 2018 at 11:45 AM