



James A. Rhodes

December 4, 1945 - April 13, 2018

James A. Rhodes of Allegan, passed away Friday, April 13, 2018 at his home. Jim was born December 4, 1945 in Allegan the son of the late Jack and Olga Rhodes and had lived in the area his entire life. Jim honorably served his country as a member of the US Army where he served in Vietnam as a Military Police Officer from June of 1966-1967. He enjoyed working on race cars and raced in Kalamazoo for many years. Jim worked until retirement at General Motors where he was a maintenance welder. He was an avid fisherman and a true family man. Surviving are his wife of 50 years, Linda; daughter, Ellie Foster of Kalamazoo; 2 grandchildren, Jordan and Remi Densmore; siblings, Carl (Bonnie) Rhodes of Allegan, Brian (Tracy) Rhodes of Pullman, Teresa (Gary) Bronson of Grand Rapids; an Uncle, Bob Rhodes of Chesterfield, MI and an Aunt, Ann Dubas of South Haven; many nieces, nephews, and friends, especially his best friend, Lynn Zimmer. He was preceded in death by his parents and son-in-law, Kyle Foster. The family will meet friends on Tuesday, April 17, 2018, from 5 - 8 PM at the Bloomingdale Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home, where funeral services will take place Wednesday at 11 AM. Interment with military honors will follow in Rowe Cemetery. The family suggests memorial contributions be made to either Al-Van Humane Society or St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Cemetery Details

Rowe Cemetery

1050 42nd Street
Allegan, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 17. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Bloomingtondale Chapel
203 East Spring Street
Bloomingtondale, MI

Service

APR 18. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bloomingtondale Chapel
203 East Spring Street
Bloomingtondale, MI

Tribute Wall

SP

“ Jim was the oldest in our family and the one I knew the least about, being twelve years older than me.

I do have a fond memory though, when I was in High School, Jim and Linda took me and my boyfriend to the car races, we were to meet in Allegan, and the boy was late and had to be located, Jim drove around till we found him and never once complained about any time that was lost in getting to the races.

R.I.P.

Your sister; Susan Elinor Rhodes Payne

Susan Rhodes Payne - April 24, 2018 at 03:03 PM

TM

“ Sending Love & Prayers to the entire Rhodes Family.

~ Tim & Melissa McKee

Timothy McKee - April 18, 2018 at 05:38 AM

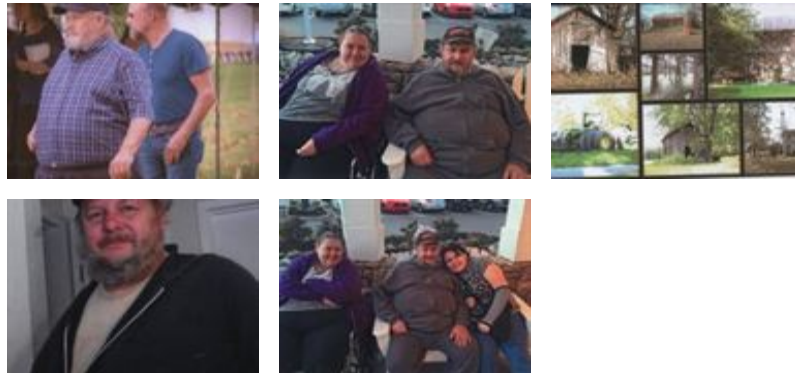
LP

“ very sorry to hear about the loss. Jim was like a 2nd dad as well as my good buddy. he helped me for many years with engine building and more. was always helping others where he could, big heart. His support and encouragement he gave me over many years will be missed. Always looked forward too his visits at my shop and conversations we had. I learned so much from Jim, gonna miss his company.....Lon

Lon Putnam - April 17, 2018 at 06:27 PM



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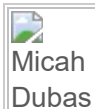
D.L. Miller Funeral Home - April 17, 2018 at 10:54 AM

DK

“ Please accept our sympathies & condolences to the Family of Jim Rhodes. I have many fond memories of working on stock cars that Jimmy gave to us to race at Kalamazoo speedway. Jimmy worked with my Dad at Fisher Body and was a good friend. Jimmy was a good man with a big heart, He was always willing to help anyone or lend a hand. Jimmy always had a smile on his face and always made you feel like family. I spent many a hour working with and learning from Jimmy about engines & race cars. Jimmy will be missed. R.I.P

Doug & Sally Kaylor

Doug Kaylor - April 16, 2018 at 08:27 AM



Micah Dubas

I just found out about this yesterday. I'm terribly sorry I won't be able to make it on such short notice. My love and prayers are with everyone.

Micah Dubas - April 17, 2018 at 10:50 AM

SB

“ *Brian, Tracey, and Family,
I'm very sorry for your loss. Please know you're all in my heart and
prayers.
Sincerely, Susan Busfield*

Susan Busfield - April 16, 2018 at 07:48 AM

NT

“ *I grew up in the country with Jim and he was always a kind and
gentle guy. Never talked about other people unless it was something
good. He will be missed by many. Prayers for him and his family ,
Frank and Nola*

Nola Tooker - April 14, 2018 at 05:50 PM

 Robin
Nielsen-
Williamson

“ *So very sorry for your loss. Larry will miss him
greatly.*



Robin Nielsen-Williamson - April 14, 2018 at 10:09 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the
family of James A. Rhodes.*



April 13, 2018 at 08:57 PM