



## James L. Scherer

June 5, 1944 - December 19, 2023

James L. Scherer

Age 79

Of Bloomingdale

Passed away Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at his home in Bloomingdale. Jim was born June 5, 1944 in St Joseph, the son of Louis and Angeline (Fello) Scherer. He farmed in Keeler where he was married to Andrea Springsteen and had 4 children. He moved to Bloomingdale to farm in 1979, where he owned and operated James Scherer Fruit Farms until 2023. He enjoyed duck hunting, farming, a good rocking chair, and was never very far from a good live band and a dance floor. He loved spending time with his family, especially on yearly trips to Florida, and special family gatherings. Surviving are his wife, Sandy whom he married July 31, 1998; 4 children, Gayle (Tim) Tidey of Keeler, Kathryn (Mark) Miller of Paw Paw, Julie (Brent) Shaefer of Paw Paw, Jeff (Magan) Scherer of Bloomingdale; step-children, Jill (Scott) Mitchell of South Haven, Jeff (Tanya) Bessler of US Navy currently in Stuttgart, Germany; 16 grandchildren, Marissa, Collin, Ross, Avery, Meagan, Stella, Andrew, Jack, Harris, Ben, Becky, Kayla, Sam, Abby, Ryan, Nick; 9 great grandchildren, Lucas, Colson, Reece, Brogan, Emersyn, Gideon, Naomi, Lily, Teddy; sister, Judy (Sonny) Hendrix of St. Augustine, FL; 2 brothers, Joe (Joyce) Scherer of St. Joseph, Bill (Linda) Scherer of Charlotte; sister-in-law, Carol Scherer of Marysville; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, and 2 brothers, Ronnie and Bruce.

According to his wishes cremation has taken place and he was laid to rest in Evergreen Cemetery next to the farm. There will be a memorial celebration in June of 2024, details will be posted at a later time. Arrangements were entrusted to the Bangor Chapel, D. L. Miller Funeral Home.

# Cemetery Details

## Evergreen Cemetery

CR 380 and 44th Street  
Bloomingdale, MI 49026

# Events

**Details are pending.**

# Tribute Wall

KR

“ *Krista lit a candle in memory of James L. Scherer*



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**Krista** - December 29, 2023 at 08:22 PM

KS

“ *Kelli Steinman lit a candle in memory of James L. Scherer*



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**Kelli Steinman** - December 28, 2023 at 04:23 PM

KI

“ *Jim was fun and easy to talk with. Our common interest were the Florida Keys. We talked of how much we loved Key West and Hemingway's favorite bar. He teased me every year when he was about to embark to (Key West) paradise and said I need to go back! He always talked about how he loved going there. Such a sweet man....every year dropping off a crate of apples for all of us to eat! He will be missed.*

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**kimmysue** - December 27, 2023 at 06:38 PM

SS

“ Susan Page Smith lit a candle in memory of James L. Scherer



Susan Page Smith - December 23, 2023 at 08:43 PM

DH

“ Prayers to Jim's family on his passing. Jim will be missed by so many, he was a wonderful and compassionate man. My husband Jim loved mowing orchards for Jim. He was funny and fun to be around. I am so glad I got to see him within the last couple of months. Rest in peace Jim.



Deana Hostetler - December 22, 2023 at 05:44 PM

DK

“ Jimmy was my best friend in high school and remained a great friend throughout our lives. My wife Penny and I had our first date, and shared our first kiss, in the back of his car when we double dated to our graduation dance with Jimmy and his girlfriend Andrea. Growing up, I spent many happy hours at the Scherer home, always crowded with the six siblings, and trying my best to beat him in our Saturday night drag races, duck hunting, and dancing with our girlfriends at Ramona. He will be sorely missed. I am sure he will be the life of the party up above as he was down here on earth. I hope they have a good band and plenty of ducks up there. Condolences to Sandy and the entire Scherer family.

David Klett - December 22, 2023 at 09:54 AM

DE

“ *Dan & Teresa Empson lit a candle in memory of James L. Scherer*



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**Dan & Teresa Empson** - December 21, 2023 at 09:00 PM

WN

“ *Jim danced to the music of my band Park Avenue many many times through the years. We consider Jim to always be our Number 1 Fan.*

*Our sincere condolences to Sandy, Jim's family, with a special shout out to his brother Joe and wife Joyce, who often danced to our music also. Jim will be missed.*

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**Wayne Nelson** - December 21, 2023 at 05:36 PM