



James E. "Jim" Butt

February 26, 1937 - May 17, 2022

James E. "Jim" Butt, 85, of Elgin, passed away Tuesday, May 17, 2022, in his home surrounded by his family.

He was born February 26, 1937, in Geneva, IL the son of Charles and Arlene (Stuart) Butts. Jim was a proud veteran of the U.S. Army serving from 1955-to 1958. He married Linda Miller on October 2, 1965, in Elgin. Jim drove semi for Burren Transfer for just over 30 years, and on the weekends, he drove for Keen Limousine. He loved the outdoors, either hunting, riding horses, golfing, enjoying the flowers and birds, spending time with his children & grandchildren, and sitting by the pool with his dogs, Maggie & Molly. He will be deeply missed by all.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Linda; his daughters, Debra (Lenn) Knutsen, Michelle (Rick) Almond, Sheree (Steve) Collins, and Julie Buttrum; grandchildren, Andrea (Michael) Butler, Brandon Knutsen, Nicole (Dan) Ferrille, Robert (Jennifer) Watzlawick, Tyler Watzlawick; Samuel (Bi) Collins, Alexander Collins, Sydney Collins, Sadie Collins, Logan Butt, and Aidan Buttrum; and six great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; and two brothers, Gerald and Kenneth Butts.

Funeral Services will be at 12 PM on Wednesday, May 25 at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 43W301 Plank Road, Hampshire. Burial with Military Honors will follow in the North Plato Cemetery.

Visitation will be on Tuesday, May 24 at the church from 4-7 PM and continue on Wednesday prior to services from 11-12 Noon.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in Jim's name may be directed to the church or the Hampshire American Legion.

Cemetery Details

North Plato Cemetery

43W301 Plank Road
Hampshire, IL 60140

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **24**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

St. Peter's Lutheran Church
43W301 Plank Road
Hampshire, IL 60140

Visitation

MAY **25**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Peter's Lutheran Church
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Service

MAY **25**. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

GI

“ Jim was such a special man. We worked together at Keen Limousine. I was starting work when he was finishing up. I was 25 & going through a hard time when I started, he was 70 & was always there to listen when I needed a friend. He had the best advice, the best hugs, & the best laugh. He had a such a twinkle in his eye when he smiled. There is no better friend than Jim. He will be sorely missed by all.

ginevra - May 25, 2022 at 11:10 PM

OD

“ Old Second National Bank Mortgage Dept. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James E. "Jim" Butt.



Old Second National Bank Mortgage Dept. - May 24, 2022 at 02:09 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of James E. "Jim" Butt.



May 23, 2022 at 12:37 PM

HN

“ I have so many great memories of my Uncle Jim, Aunt Linda and their family. He'll be truly missed. Thank you for everything you did for me, Uncle Jim. Especially after my parents passed away. I'll share one great memory. My mom and I placed an order online for 2 sisters pug puppies. They were flying into O'Hare airport. So, my mom asked my Uncle Jim to see if he could help us out. He agreed to it. When we arrived in there. Uncle Jim parked the car. And asked me to hop up front. And sit in the driver's seat in case we had to move the car. He was back within 5 minutes. Then we went back to Uncle Jim's house so, Aunt Linda can meet our new family members. That was fun and great event. My Uncle Jim loved his family and relatives. Uncle Jim was a second dad to me after I lost dad. Thanks for everything. Please say hello to everyone up in heaven for me. And say I love you. I'll always love you. Till we meet again. You're very special and dear to me always.



Heather Butts (Jim Butt's niece) - May 20, 2022 at 05:56 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James E. "Jim" Butt.



May 20, 2022 at 03:37 PM

JB

“ John & Roxanne Bradley lit a candle in memory of James E. "Jim" Butt



John & Roxanne Bradley - May 20, 2022 at 08:36 AM

JB

*Our thoughts & prayers are with you Linda and your family. My most precious memory of Jim is what a giving, caring person he was. Also how much he loved you it showed in his actions and they look on his face whenever I seen the two of you together. Linda you had something most couples will never have. Love always.
RIP Butts*

John & Roxanne Bradley - May 20, 2022 at 08:48 AM

DJ

So sorry to hear about your father, Julie. My condolences.

Darrel Johnson - May 20, 2022 at 02:24 PM