



James Lawson Chapman

December 27, 1967 - June 8, 2025

James Lawson Chapman, 57, of Evansville, passed away on Sunday, June 8, 2025, in Rice Lake, Wisconsin while traveling home from a fishing trip.

Jim was born on December 27, 1967, in Grand Rapids, Michigan to Georgia (DuVall) Chapman and the late Roger Dennis Chapman. The family lived in several states before making Evansville their home in the mid-1980s. Jim was part owner and President of his family's business, Nova Polymers, Inc. Jim loved spending time with his family, above all else. He enjoyed scuba diving, fishing, and was an avid sports fan. Jim was a member of St. Boniface Catholic Parish.

Surviving Jim are his wife of 35 years, Jennifer (Geiser) Chapman; his children and their spouses, Jordan & Colleen Chapman and Abbey & Dylan Klipsch; his mother, Georgia (DuVall) Chapman; sisters, Kathy Hirsch and her husband, Bob, and Denise Bartholomew; grandchildren, Graham Lawson, Evelyn Louise, and Margot Ann Chapman, and baby Henry William Klipsch who is due in August; mother-in-law, Betty Geiser; sister-in-law Holly Rose; and several nieces and nephews.

Jim was preceded in death by his father, Roger; his grandparents, Irene and Vernon Chapman and Dee Dee and George DuVall; father-in-law, George Geiser; and nephew Dennis McLaughlin.

There will be a Mass of Christian Burial held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, June 14, 2025, at St. Agnes Catholic Church, 1600 Glendale Ave. Rev. Christopher Droste officiating. Burial will follow in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family from 2:00 until 7:00 PM on Friday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street, where there will be a memorial service at 6:00 PM. Friends may also visit the family from 12:00 PM until service time on Saturday at St. Agnes Catholic Church, 1600 Glendale Ave.

Memorial contributions may be made to the St. Vincent de Paul Society - St. Boniface Chapter, 1600 Glendale Ave, Evansville, IN 47712.

Condolences may be made online at www.pierrefuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 13. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 West Franklin Street
Evansville, IN 47712
(812) 423-6471
info@pierrefuneralhome.com
<https://www.pierrefuneralhome.com>

Memorial Service

JUN 13. 6:00 PM (CT)

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Visitation

JUN 14. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (CT)

St. Agnes Catholic Church
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Mass of Christian Burial

JUN 14. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pierre Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James Lawson Chapman*



Pierre Funeral Home - June 10, 2025 at 03:50 PM

RK

You were such a part of my life. You took a chance on me and gave me the life I have lived. You are such a friend and will be in my memories the rest of my life. I LOVE YOU MAN!!!

Robert Key - June 10, 2025 at 07:38 PM

BC

We had a short time getting to know each other like neighbors. What time i did spend with you was special. You sat and listened to my ups and downs in life. You gave me good advice. I will truly miss you my friend. I will never forget you Jungle Jim. 🤝🤝🤝🤝

Bob cooper - June 11, 2025 at 04:42 PM

DB

I've been a better person since I met you 43 years ago! I will continue to recount all our foiled capers, but the ones we got away are just for me. I love you brother!

David Bartholomew - June 11, 2025 at 06:57 PM

GC

What a wonderful son, husbnd, father and grandpa...so loving, kind an thoughtful to all who new him..my heart is forever sad.....Georgia/Nonnie

Georgia Chapman - June 30, 2025 at 02:28 PM

KK

“ We are so sorry to hear of Jim’s passing. (We’re sorry to miss his memorial service as we had a family member’s memorial service out of town.) Jim was a beautiful example of husband, father, and friend.

Kim and Paul Kuban - June 12, 2025 at 08:25 PM

KG

“ Kelli and Mark Gregor purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of James Lawson Chapman.



Kelli and Mark Gregor - June 12, 2025 at 05:47 PM

JB

“ I always enjoyed my time with Jim when my family would make our trips to Evansville for 4th of July reunions. Some of my favorite memories were spent with his family. My love goes out to you all.

Josh Bass - June 12, 2025 at 12:54 PM

LR

“ Larry Babcock and Jaime Redman purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of James Lawson Chapman.



Larry Babcock and Jaime Redman - June 12, 2025 at 12:39 PM

GW

“Gwen and Will purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of James Lawson Chapman.



Gwen and Will - June 12, 2025 at 09:38 AM

MF

“Mike and Robin and Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of James Lawson Chapman.



Mike and Robin and Family - June 12, 2025 at 08:51 AM

MF

“Mike and Robin and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Lawson Chapman.

Mike and Robin and Family - June 12, 2025 at 08:51 AM



“A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Lawson Chapman.

June 12, 2025 at 08:43 AM

BR

“ *Bob and Robin. purchased the Simply Elegant Sp
athiphyllum for the family of James Lawson
Chapman.*



Bob and Robin. - June 11, 2025 at 04:21 PM

DB

“ *10 files added to the album Pics from Chappy's big brother Bart*



David Bartholomew - June 11, 2025 at 03:09 PM

MR

“ *Jenny and family, I am so sorry for your loss. My heart breaks for
you. Prayers and hugs from your old teacher/principal. Martha
Render*

Martha Render - June 11, 2025 at 09:08 AM

JF

“ Joe and Pam and family purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of James Lawson Chapman.



Joe and Pam and family - June 11, 2025 at 08:22 AM

JF

“ Joe and Pam and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Lawson Chapman.

Joe and Pam and family - June 11, 2025 at 08:22 AM



“ Sweet Solace Spray was purchased for the family of James Lawson Chapman.



June 10, 2025 at 11:51 PM

JJ

“ Jim and Michelle Johnson purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of James Lawson Chapman.



Jim and Michelle Johnson - June 10, 2025 at 09:58 PM

JJ

“ Jim and Michelle Johnson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Lawson Chapman.

Jim and Michelle Johnson - June 10, 2025 at 09:58 PM

TC

“ The Chubbies purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of James Lawson Chapman.



The Chubbies - June 10, 2025 at 07:57 PM



“ My deepest sympathies to the Chapman family. May all the prayers lift James to heaven and help his family find peace in knowing he was loved by many.
Peace, Chris Schapker

Chris Schapker - June 10, 2025 at 07:41 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of James Lawson Chapman.



June 10, 2025 at 06:54 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Lawson Chapman.

June 10, 2025 at 06:54 PM



“ Jenny and family, praying for you for peace as only Christ can give! I offer my sincere condolences for the loss of Jim! In Christ,
Nancy Nelson

Nancy Nelson - June 10, 2025 at 06:05 PM



Dear Georgia please know you and your family are in my prayers and you have my deepest sympathy. You and Roger are part of my wonderful memories. Love you, TJ Keegan

TJ Keegan - June 10, 2025 at 08:15 PM



Thanks Frank and TJ - you were/and are wonderful friends from the South...loe ya Georgia

Georgia Chapman - June 30, 2025 at 02:36 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Lawson Chapman.



June 10, 2025 at 05:52 PM

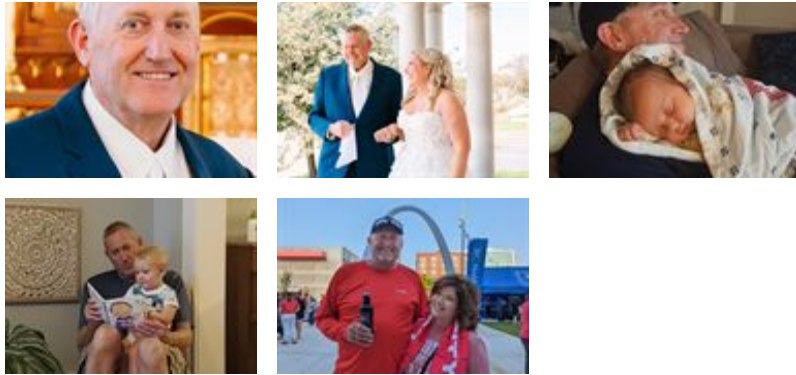


“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Lawson Chapman.

June 10, 2025 at 05:52 PM



“ 246 files added to the album LifeTributes



Pierre Funeral Home - June 10, 2025 at 03:36 PM



“ Mark Hedges purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Lawson Chapman.



Mark Hedges - June 10, 2025 at 02:58 PM



“ Mark Hedges planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Lawson Chapman.

Mark Hedges - June 10, 2025 at 02:58 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Lawson Chapman.*



June 10, 2025 at 01:29 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James Lawson Chapman.*



June 10, 2025 at 01:27 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Lawson Chapman.*

June 10, 2025 at 01:27 PM



“ *Tom and Bonnie Stowe purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Lawson Chapman.*



Tom and Bonnie Stowe - June 10, 2025 at 01:10 PM

MF

“ Abbey, I am so sorry to hear about your dad's passing. There are no words. Just know I am thinking about you and your family. Prayers for comfort and strength as you journey this unpredictable road.
Michelle Fulton

Michelle Fulton - June 10, 2025 at 01:07 PM

MH

Jim had a love for life & family that was so real it really impacted those that knew him. May God Bless Jim and entire Family. Mark Hedges

Mark Hedges - June 10, 2025 at 02:51 PM