



## James W Gries

April 12, 1948 - May 25, 2026

James William Gries, 78, of Evansville, passed away on Monday, May 25, 2026, at Ascension St. Vincent Hospital.

Jim was born on April 12, 1948, in Evansville to the late John and Luella (Schauss) Gries. He was a veteran of the United States Army in the Vietnam War. Jim very much looked forward to participating in the Honor Flight, but unfortunately, he was never able to do so. Jim was a longtime member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Vanderburgh County. He worked as a truck driver for ABF for many years and was an avid grass farmer.

Surviving Jim are his wife Connie (Ennis) Gries; daughter, Ashlie (Adam) Kinsler; sons, Terrance Jason (Rachiel) Eckert and Faim Zachary (Megan) Eckert; sisters, Betty Polk, Ruth (Dave) Ritzert, and Annette (Pat Wathen) Gries; brothers, Jerry Gries, Ray (Jannette) Gries, Danny (Carol) Gries, and Vernie (Connie) Gries; five grandchildren, Liam Kinsler, Bryce Eckert, Kayne Eckert, William Eckert, and Aubrey Lynn Eckert, as well as seven great grandchildren.

There will be a Mass of Christian Burial held at 10:00 AM on Monday, June 1, 2026, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rev. Eugene Schroeder officiating. Burial will follow in the St. Joseph Church Cemetery, where the Vanderburgh County Retired Veterans Memorial Club will conduct military rites.

Friends may visit with the family from 1:00 until 5:00 PM on Sunday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street and from 9:30 AM until service time on Monday at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 6202 W. St. Joseph Road, Evansville, IN 47720.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Red Cross, 29 S. Stockwell Road, Evansville, IN 47714.

Condolences may be made online at [www.pierrefuneralhome.com](http://www.pierrefuneralhome.com).

# Upcoming Events

## Visitation

MAY 31. 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM (CT)

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

## Visitation

JUN 1. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church (County)  
6202 W. St. Joseph Road  
Evansville, IN

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