



James E Pender

February 24, 1929 - August 26, 2014

James E. Pender, age 85, of Evansville, passed away Tuesday, August 26, 2014 at Deaconess Hospital.

Jim was born February 24, 1929 in Ventura, CA to the late Lewis and Irene (Parker) Pender. The family soon moved to Tucson, AZ where Jim graduated from Tucson High School.

After serving in the Falcon Regiment of the 82nd Airborne Division, he came to Evansville in 1954 as the agent of a jockey friend riding at Dade Park. Jim enjoyed Evansville and the lifelong friends he met. He left the nomadic life of horse racing in 1956 and took night classes at Evansville College and attended banking school at the University of Wisconsin. After spending 25 years in banking and finance, Jim spent the next 25 years in the plastics business, retiring from Matrixx Group in 2007 when the business was sold.

Jim enjoyed traveling, thoroughbred horse racing and golf. He bred horses and raced them mostly in Arizona, Louisiana, Texas and Arkansas. He loved and supported his children and grandchildren in every way possible. Jim especially enjoyed watching his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren in sports and activities.

Jim spent 58 years married to the love of his life, Jacqueline "Jackie" (Stocker)

Pender, who survives him along with a daughter, Keri (Steve) Anslinger and two sons, Jim (Dana) Pender and Daniel Pender, all of Evansville; grandchildren, Chase, Chloe and Carlee Anslinger, Amber (Kyle) Hamilton, Rusty Pender, Michelle (Tom) Schaefer and Jacob Pender; six great grandchildren; many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Jim was preceded in death by his siblings, Donna, Tom and Richard Pender and a grandson, Kevin Pender.

A Mass of Christian Burial will begin at 10:00 A.M. on Saturday, August 30, 2014 at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Rev. James Blessinger officiating. Entombment will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery, where the Vanderburgh County Retired Veterans Memorial Club will conduct military rites.

Friends may visit with the family from 2:00 until 7:00 P.M. on Friday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street, where there will be a memorial service conducted at 4:00 P.M. Friends may also visit with the family from 9:30 A.M. until service time on Saturday at Corpus Christi.

Memorial contributions may be made to Corpus Christi Catholic Church, the St. Vincent de Paul Society or to the Mater Dei Men's Club.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2500 Mesker Park Drive
Evansville, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **29**. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 West Franklin Street
Evansville, IN

Visitation

AUG **30**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Corpus Christi Catholic Church
5528 Hogue Road
Evansville, IN

funeral

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Tribute Wall



“ *James E Pender*

January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM



“ *Jackie and family--I am so sorry for your loss. May your memories of Jim bring you comfort and peace during this difficult time.*

Donna Ruckman-Nave - August 28, 2014 at 09:22 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of James E Pender.*



August 28, 2014 at 08:25 PM



“ *Jack and Arden will miss spending time with a wonderful man who loved his family. May god bless his soul and all who remain in his memory.*

jack and arden smith - August 28, 2014 at 07:13 PM



“ *So sad to hear of Jim's passing. Jim was a kind soul to all he knew. Jim will be missed by so many. Our love and prayers of comfort for your family. We are here for you always. Barry and Karen*



karen boren - August 28, 2014 at 06:46 PM

RW

“ *I had the pleasure and honor to work with Jim at National City many years ago. I was impressed with his honesty and the great love he had for his wife and children. He was a good man, I know he will be missed.*

Rhonda Wilson

Rhonda Wilson - August 28, 2014 at 03:12 PM

DH

“ *Jackie & Family,
Please accept our sincere sympathy. No words can touch what you're feeling. No person can soften the loss. Still we are thinking about you and hoping it helps in some way to know that we share in your sadness.*

Don & Adele Harris

Don & Adele Harris - August 28, 2014 at 10:50 AM



DK

“ *Keri, Steve and Family
Rusty*

*Our thoughts are with you during the sadness of your
father/grandfather's passing.*

*Our prayer is that he will continue to look lovingly, from heaven,
upon all of you left behind.*

*Sincerely,
Danny & Michele Knight
Aaron Knight*

Danny & Michele Knight, Aaron Knight - August 28, 2014 at 07:29 AM