



James C Roberson

October 8, 1940 - April 29, 2024

James C. Roberson, 83, of Evansville, passed away on Monday, April 29, 2024 at the Solarbron Terrace.

Jim was born on October 8, 1940 in Evansville to the late James Ulyes and Myrtle (Balentine) Roberson. Jim was an officer on the Evansville City Police Department for over 20 years and also worked as a driver for Evansville Concrete for many years.

He is survived by his wife, Marcia Starr Roberson; sister, Shirley Wade; grandsons, Brian J. Roberson and Brandon L. Roberson and step sisters, Derethea Tevault, Angela Wall and Rose Campbell.

In addition to his parents, Jim was preceded in death by his son, Brian Roberson in 2017 and by an infant sister, Mary Catherine Roberson.

Funeral services and burial for Jim will be private. Condolences may be made online at www.pierrefuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Park Cemetery

2200 Mesker Park Drive
Evansville, IN

Tribute Wall

SY

“ Jim was not only my cousin , but my neighbor. We lived two houses down. We shared many good times together; Since I was 7 years younger, I always loved spending time with Lightning. He taught me a lot about life. Mom would pop corn, and before TV came along , She would listen with us to Reitz basketball games. On the radio. He will be truly missed by all ! Love to all his family

Steven York - May 08, 2024 at 11:35 AM

PS

“ So sorry to learn of Jim's passing, All of us L.E.O.s who knew him will always remember that gravelly voice and the accompanying jokes and the smile that came with it. You taught all of us a lot about the other side of police work.

Peter M. Swaim - May 04, 2024 at 01:31 PM

GK

“ Me on the Sheriffs Department came into contact with Lightning many times and it was always a pleasure to spend time with him. He was always upbeat And ready for anything that came along. I'm sad to see that he has passed away. He was a friend to me along with being a brother in law enforcement. Another good man gone but not forgotten. 🤝👍
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Gary Kassel - May 03, 2024 at 09:35 PM

JH

“ I remember all of the good times on 3rd shift and our supplement cb radios. Jim had a Linear hooked up to his cb. I remember he blew everybody elses radio up when he keyed his microphone. Jim was a good guy and a hoot! Very sorry to hear that Jim has passed.

Jerry Hudson - May 03, 2024 at 07:02 PM

JM

“ Lightning was a friend and a valued customer of Hagedorns. He was a member of the table of knowledge there for many years. We always enjoyed his quick wit and his very vocal expression of his beliefs . So sorry for your loss of him.

Jim & Barb Mosby - May 03, 2024 at 02:20 PM

SP

“ to Jim's family my condolences. To Lightning wish you the best, patrol heaven till the rest of all your OLD friends get there. Shirley Powers

Shirley Powers - May 03, 2024 at 12:32 PM

KP

“ Jim made the CB radio the unofficial communications tool of third shift motor patrol. We had a blast! It didn't matter what side of town you were on if you gave him a shout Lightning, The Aphalt Aviator would be there for you. He was appreciated and will be greatly missed.

Kurt Pritchett - May 02, 2024 at 05:36 PM

WW

“ *'Lightning' was a veteran officer when I joined the police department. Jim was always helpful and was quite the character. My condolences to the family.*

William Woods - May 02, 2024 at 12:06 PM

JW

“ *Since I have retired, every time an Officer has passed away, I have seen Jim at the funeral home. Sadly, that will be no more. RIP Lightning!!*

John Warren

John Warren - May 02, 2024 at 08:45 AM

ML

So sorry to hear about Jim. He was on my platoon when I came on the Department and he would look out for you. RIP to a great guy. Mike Lewis

Michael Lewis - May 03, 2024 at 09:58 AM

TA

“ *When I joined the police dept. They assigned me to motor patrol working with Jim in old car 5 west of the creek. With the exception of Bill Price no one knew more about policing the west side than Jim. In the time I worked with Jim I got a whole new perspective of police work. It wasn't all about enforcing the law but building relationships with people in the community. I thought how can a job that's so stressful be so much fun. Jim was a wild and crazy guy and he taught me it takes more than a uniform to make a policeman. Rest in peace my friend I'll always cherish the times we rode together. Condolences to the family.*

Terry Appell - May 02, 2024 at 07:05 AM