



James L. Sparks

December 19, 1935 - August 24, 2022

James L. Sparks, 86, of Evansville, passed away Wednesday, August 24, 2022 at the Golden Living Center Woodlands.

Jim was born December 19, 1935 in Greenville, KY to the late Rufus Estel and Marjorie Isabelle (Revo) Sparks. He was a graduate of Bosse High School where he played basketball. He also played basketball for and attended Vanderbilt University. Jim was a gentle giant who loved his family; he was adored by his grandchildren.

Surviving Jim are his wife of 50 years, Mary O. (Bassemier) Sparks; a son, Eric (Debbie) Sparks; three stepdaughters, Rita (Steve) Moore, Becky (Lenny) Babb and Judy (Marvin) Feldhaus; grandchildren, Mary North, Kevin Moore, Stephanie Good, Holly Wahr, Ryan Babb and Nichlas Babb and fourteen great grandchildren.

In addition to his parents, Jim was preceded in death by a daughter, Julie Sparks.

Funeral services for Jim will be held at 2:00 PM on Friday, September 2, 2022 at Pierre Funeral Home, Rev. Theodore Tempel officiating. Private burial will follow in St. Joseph Cemetery.

Friends may visit with the family from 11:00 AM until service time on Friday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street.

The Sparks family would like to extend a special thank you to Kindred Hospice, Dr. Michael Allen and staff for their kind and compassionate care.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital in Memphis, TN.

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

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery

2500 Mesker Park Drive
Evansville, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 2. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 West Franklin Street
Evansville, IN 47712
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Funeral Service

SEP 2. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *James L. Sparks*

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“ *Mary and all your family, you all are in our thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time. Mike and I both so enjoyed working with Jim at Heritage Custom Fab. Jim brought fun and laughter to our work place. And we so enjoyed the times having dinner with you and Jim and Russell and Carolyn Butts at your home. You both gave to us love and friendship. May the Lord comfort you and your family. Love, Mike and Kim Woods*

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“ *Mary, this is John Shoaff. I know we haven't kept up over the years but I thought of you and Jim often . You hold a special place in my heart. So sorry to hear about Jim's passing. I will surely keep him and you in my prayers. God bless!!*

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