



James "Jim" Bateman

August 14, 1941 - November 18, 2020

James "Jim" A. Bateman, age 79 of Clare, formerly of Lansing, passed away surrounded by his family, on Wednesday, November 18, 2020 in Midland. Jim was born the son of the late Donald and Josephine (Hickman) Bateman on August 14, 1941 in Alma. He was a graduate of Everett High School in Lansing, and served his country during the Vietnam War in the U.S. Army. Jim worked for General Motors as a Millwright for 36 years. He married Maymo Dawn Green in 1962, with which he had two daughters, Jeannie Clement, and Barbara (Terry) Murray. He then married Mary Lou Furney in 1965, with which he also had two daughters, Amy (Larry) Mason and Jennifer Schneider. Mary Lou preceded him in death in 2002. He was then united in marriage to Peggy Yats in 2005, who survives him. Some of Jim's favorite pastimes were hunting with family or friends, fishing on every lake he could, also with his family or friends, and there were many an hour spent tinkering in his pole barn. Jim could fix anything. Aside from Peggy and his daughters, Jim is survived by his step-children, Kirk (Kim) Yats, Karla (Mark) Shea, and Keith (Sharon) Yats, his brothers, Al Hickman, and Gene (Judy) Bateman, twenty four grandchildren and seventeen great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by brothers, Don and Phil. Dad, we will miss you and thank you for being such a great example and father. Visitation and services will be held on Wednesday, November 25, 2020 at the Clare Church of the Nazarene, with visitation beginning at 11 A.M. until the time of service at 1 P.M. led by Pastor Jim Young. Memorial contributions are suggested to the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements are being handled by the Clare Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman
Funeral Home. On-line guestbook at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **25**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Clare Church of the Nazarene
10160 S. Grant Avenue
Clare, MI 48617

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ We will always cherish Jimbo and his one of a kind personality, smile, and love of candy! We adored him and enjoyed fishing with him and spending time outside. He will be so missed!

Love,

David, Blake, and Rachel Schneider and the kids

Rachel Schneider - November 25, 2020 at 05:19 PM

BM

“ Dearest Peggy and my Michigan family. I send my love and prayers to all. I am grateful to my Dad and all the Heaven he created in my life and family. I appreciated the time together. I'll always love him and you. Aloha Barbara Keikilani Bateman Murray

Barbara K Murray - November 25, 2020 at 02:00 PM

DB

“ Dear Peggy, Kirk, Karla and Keith,
We were so very sorry to learn of Jim's passing. Please know that you are in our thoughts during this very sad time. Tula Brown,
Daphne, Diana and Angela

Diana Brown - November 23, 2020 at 05:55 PM

TB

“ To Peggy

Amy, Jennifer, Jeannie, Barbara, Kirk, Karla, Keith, Al & Gene your spouses and children.

I am so very sorry for your loss. Jim was a true gentleman.

I was his neighbor and sometimes baby sitter and we kept in touch over the years and I truly admired how kind he was to everyone. He loved his family, his community and his neighbors. He always had a twinkle in his eyes and a good story about fishing or something.

May Peace be with all of you.

My sincere sympathy

Tai Barnett

Tai Barnett - November 23, 2020 at 05:03 PM

JC

“ Uncle Jim, You are one of a kind. You are the most kind hearted loving family man. Always had a smile, pinch of of red man and some sort of hunting or fishing joke or story. Please know you will be deeply missed. We will treasure your memories and share your legacy. Bless those here Peg, Jeannie, Barbara, Amy, Jenn and the rest of your family and friends! Love Jim and Sherri



Jim and Sherri Claucherty - November 21, 2020 at 08:58 PM

GB

“ Brother, our lives are forever changed. We miss you already and are thankful for all of the times we have had together. We will miss your jokes, fishing and hunting stories along with all of our family time. May you watch over those of us here and comfort us during this time, including Peg, your girls and all family. Love you, Gene and Judy

Gene and Judy Bateman - November 21, 2020 at 08:37 PM

BE

Gene: I remember you and your brother Jim bringing over smelt as a small kid to my dad Matt Rens house. I remember all the visits you gave to my dad Matt, including in his later years, the last being his birthday party, and all the stories of fun and friendship, and craziness you had. . And not to forget the stories told to me of GM. I am so very very sorry to read of your loss and to your family as well. please accept my sincerest condolences. You were a great friend as was your brother to my dad. Just Know you guys gave my dad a lot of laughs. May your memories help to carry you through this rough time. Love Beek Rens (AKA Nancy).

Beek - November 23, 2020 at 09:13 PM

LO

“ My love, thoughts and sympathy is with the family. I have wonderful childhood memories being with Uncle Jimmy & Dad (Don). He was always so kind & treated me like family.
Lorie (Adams) Hieber

Lorie - November 21, 2020 at 06:27 PM

BA

“ Great people, both of them. Remember very well form the Clare Eagles.
Hugs to the families.
Barb & truman

Barbara - November 21, 2020 at 01:49 PM

JE

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Jeannie - November 21, 2020 at 01:20 PM

AF

“ *Peg and family. I am so sorry to hear about Jim. My prayers are with all of you. I think of all the years our families have been friends and Tom and Jim had so much fun in the hunting and fishing at their cabin in Clare. I can only imagine the stories they shared. Hope you will find comfort in many wonderful memories you have. God be with Jim and may his comfort and love bring you peace.*

Audrey Fabus

Audrey Fabus - November 21, 2020 at 08:55 AM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Bateman.*



November 20, 2020 at 09:02 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Bateman.*



November 20, 2020 at 08:59 PM