



James E. McCarthy

June 2, 1940 - June 15, 2013

James “Jim” McCarthy was born on June 2, 1940 in Pontiac to John and Pearl McCarthy. Jim was raised in Pontiac along with his two sisters Marilyn and Patricia. Jim married his wife Karon on August 26, 1967; they resided in Clarkston. Jim worked for General Motors Truck and Bus for 38 years, where he held multiple positions until retirement in 1996. Jim had an impeccable work ethic and took pride in the work he produced. Upon Retirement, they moved fulltime to Lake George and spend their winters in Naples, FL.

Jim could never sit still, he always had a project in hand and took great pride in what he was working on whether it was; landscaping his yard, remodeling, or working on something mechanical, he could always fix anything or he’d find out how to fix it. Jim was always lending a helping hand to family, friends and neighbors. He was an active member in the Lake George community for 30 years, who also volunteered his skills and time at Marco Shores Estates, his winter home in Florida. Jim was an avid golfer and belonged to multiple golf leagues over the years. He enjoyed traveling locally and abroad, boating, fishing, friends, and being outdoors. Jim was member of the Clare Eagles, Elks, the Harrison Moose and American Legion.

Jim will always be remembered for being a kind, loving, and generous; husband, brother, father, grandfather, and friend. With his easy going approach Jim had a way that made you instantly feel welcomed and comfortable; you knew you were in the presence of a truly genuine person with a big heart. Jim had such a warm and infectious smile that you couldn’t

resist smiling back at him. He made an impact on everyone he met; a kind word was always spoken when talking about Jim. He had an active life full of fun times, adventures, great friends, and a loving family. Jim truly loved and cared about all the people that surrounded him.

Jim leaves behind his loving family, wife; Karon McCarthy, Daughters; Karie Gilbertson-Domeier and Michelle McCarthy, Son; Kevin McCarthy, Grandchildren; Melissa and Eric Dusten, Heather Domeier, Ryan Domeier, and Sisters; Marilyn Dowler, Patt Christofferson.

Jim was loved by all who knew him. He will be remembered as our "Dancing Bear" and a dear friend we lost too soon. Words will never express how greatly he will be missed by his family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to the Lake George Boosters Club.

Services will be held at the Farwell Chapel of Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home on Thursday, June 20, 2013. Visitation will begin at 9:00 A.M. with a Memorial Service led by Chaplain Kelly Morley to begin at 11:00 A.M. Please consider leaving the McCarthy family an on-line condolence at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **20**. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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165 South Hall St.

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Tribute Wall

MO

“ Karon, I just heard about JIm last night from John Long. I am so sorry I couldn't have come to celebrate JIm's life. He was like an uncle to me. I guess now Pop has his card/hunting budy with him again.

-The O'Connor Family Mike, Tracy, Michael & Colleen.

Michael O'Connor - February 05, 2014 at 10:33 AM

L.

“ Love, Your friends and neighbors: The Shirakas, Grangers, .. purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of James E. McCarthy.



Love, Your friends and neighbors: The Shirakas, Grangers, .. -
August 10, 2013 at 01:16 PM

KG

“ DEAR KARON,

WAS SO SORRY TO LEARN OF JIM'S PASSING. MY SINCERE SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS TO YOU AND YOURS AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME. JIM WAS A GOOD MAN AND WILL BE SADLY MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HIM.

LOVE AND PRAYERS,

KAY GALLAGHER
NAPLES, FLORIDA

KAY GALLAGHER - July 04, 2013 at 03:27 PM

TF

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the McCarthy Family.*

The Grosteffon Family - June 21, 2013 at 05:15 AM

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MH

“ *Our Condolences to all of the McCarthy Family
Marvin Howard and Evelyn Harris
Lake George Booster Club Members*

marvin howard - June 20, 2013 at 05:19 PM

BM

“ *Dear Karon & Family. Words will never completely
express the sadness we feel with your great loss. Jim was a super
Gentleman to all.
His willingness to assist everyone will live on in our minds forever.
It almost seems inadequate to say this but it is the truth, it was an
honor to be allowed to call him our friend. Our prayers are with all of
during this most difficult time.
Love, Barb & Jay Martin*

Barb & Jay Martin - June 20, 2013 at 04:38 PM

CS

“ Karon,
I am so sorry for your loss. I think about you and Jim and all the good times we shared with Bonna and Gordon. Jim was loved by all. Stay strong and know that I am praying for you all and sending so much love.
Cindy (Lafrenier) Sawyer

cindy sawyer - June 20, 2013 at 12:59 PM

EH

“ Karon,
I was very sad and shocked to hear about Jim's death. He was always ready to help me whenever I asked and I always appreciated that very much. I will miss him and our conversations together. I'm so sorry for your loss.
Eric Hellman

Eric Hellman - June 20, 2013 at 10:01 AM

JA

“ Dear Karon and family,
There are no words that can express the sorrow that we felt when we learned of Jim's passing. He was such a great friend to all who knew him and ready at the drop of a hat to help those who needed it. We know you are devastated and we hope that the love and comfort of family and friends will help you through this trying time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Jan and Fred Altheide

Jan Altheide - June 20, 2013 at 09:42 AM

PN

“ *Karon and family,
There are no right words to say at this difficult time. You and your family are in the thoughts and prayers of many people. Sending hugs your way. Mike & Patti Naughton*

Patti Naughton - June 20, 2013 at 08:25 AM



“ *a great guy who was a kind friend and neighbor. jim has been a long time friend of ours , in our time we had good times with karon and jim. we will miss him. joan and jerry granger*

Joan Granger - June 19, 2013 at 09:46 PM

CS

“ *Karon and Family
We were so sad to hear of Jim's passing. We will always remember Jim as being a fine man always willing to lend a helping hand to friends and neighbors at Marco Shores; a fun guy to golf and socialize with; always having a smile on his face and the two of you happily walking around the park. He truly will be missed by all your friends in our little community. I know your heart is broken and I wish there was some way to ease the pain. Our prayers and love are sent to you and your family. May God's love surround you.
Love, Cheryl and Richard Shiraka*

Cheryl & Richard Shiraka - June 19, 2013 at 08:45 PM

MN

“ We were so very saddened to hear the news about Jim. Our hearts go out to you, Karon, and your family. Jim was a great friend and member of our Marco Shores Estates community and he will be greatly missed. May your wonderful memories help you through this most difficult time. Though we will be unable to be there for you in person our thoughts will be with you and your family. With love and friendship,

Michelle and Pat Naughton

Michelle Naughton - June 19, 2013 at 08:26 PM

EL

“ I was so sad to hear about this. You know I always thought the world of Jim (and the rest of you - Karon, Donna, Mikey, Joyce, Chuck - and so on). He was always smiling and fun to be around. Although I haven't seen him in quite some time, I am still very saddened by this tragedy. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Love, Eleanor

Eleanor LaHaie - June 19, 2013 at 04:01 PM

LC

“ Karon and family, Our deepest sympathy in the loss of Jim. He was a generous and great friend to so many and we are blessed to have been a part of that friendship. We will always treasure the fun times we had together in Florida.

May your faith, strength and love keep memories of Jim alive in your heart during this difficult time and in the future. Our thoughts and prayers are with you always. God Bless.

*In love and friendship,
Libby & Fred Conrad*

Libby Conrad - June 19, 2013 at 03:49 PM

NP

“ . Dear Karon and the family, Jim was a wonderful friend to all as we always felt he was our friend. He will be missed by so many friends. Karon you have wonderful memories of good times that you two had together. We all shared those good times in FI. You must be strong now Karon, and live with the memories/ Love to you Karon Norm and Nancy

Nancy & Norm Paquin - June 19, 2013 at 12:01 PM

PU

“ James E. McCarthy

punky - June 19, 2013 at 11:21 AM

PU

Always remember Jim with a big smile and a big hug. My heart is so sad for you and your family Karen

punky - June 19, 2013 at 11:22 AM

JF

“ Our hearts go out to Karon and the entire family. How well we remember Jim and Karon walking around the park. A wonderful man has left us but will always be in our hearts and memories. I shall never forget the day both of you held me together until the ambulance came for me. Yes, Jim is gone too soon. However our love and hearts are with you always.

John and Ruth Fletcher - June 19, 2013 at 05:39 AM

JF

“ John And Ruth Fletcher lit a candle in memory of James E. McCarthy



John and Ruth Fletcher - June 19, 2013 at 05:35 AM

JM

“ To The Entire McCarthy Family,
God Bless Karon and Jims family. Give you the strength and peace needed to get you through this. James is gone too soon, but cherish in the memories, and the knowledge, that he was loved by so many. Simply a kind and wonderful man. Judy Rose
(Nancy and Norm Paquins daughter)

Judy Rose Morra - June 18, 2013 at 09:14 PM

FH

“ Jim was always so kind to Bob with his many problems but also to many of us in this park with his caring ways...He will be sadly missed by many.Karen we pray for the strength you will need.
Fran and Bob

frances hoye - June 18, 2013 at 06:30 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of James E. McCarthy.



June 18, 2013 at 04:27 PM

DW

“ I will always miss you! There was never a moment that you didn't smile or laugh or give us your support. Thanks for being one of the greatest grandpas in the world! All of my thoughts and prayers are with your family and friends right now knowing they will miss you just as much. You helped make the world a happier place by letting us into your life.

Love always, Danielle

Danielle Wheat - June 18, 2013 at 12:49 PM

JM

James was a very kind and helpful and generous man with his time and knowledge. He helped me so much during the purchase of my condo in Fl., and I will never forget him, for that. And also for being such good friends to my parents, in the park they all live in. My prayers are with Karon, and all her family. Judy Rose

Judy Rose Morra - June 18, 2013 at 06:02 PM