



James R. Shurlow

December 2, 1959 - January 27, 2023

James R. Shurlow, age 63, of Clare, passed away on Friday, January 27, at MyMichigan Health in Midland. He was born the son of Dr. Elmer C. and Wilma (Moine) Shurlow on December 2, 1959, in Linz, Austria while his father was serving a residency in Austria. Jim was the President of his High School Class, graduating from Clare High School in 1978. He worked as an EMT for the Clare County Ambulance while studying to become a Respiratory Therapist. He went on to become Clare County's first licensed Paramedic. He had worked in Michigan and Wisconsin for several Home Care Companies as a Respiratory Therapist. He eventually became a Department head in Hospital Administration at the University of Michigan Hospitals. In his "retirement" he had enjoyed "flipping burgers" at McDonalds, working at Buccillis Pizza in Clare and most recently as an equipment hauler and driver for local Amish Contractors. He was a voracious reader.

Jim is survived by his children, Dr. James R. (Sara) Shurlow DO of Gaylord, and Sara (Wes) Lambier of LaSalle, Ontario, his mother, Wilma Shurlow-Phillips, , his Step-mother, MaryAnn Shurlow, both of Clare, his brother, Dr. Charles (Krista) Shurlow DO, of Beaver Creek, Oh., his step-brother, Brian (Jenny) David of Clare, step-sister Angela Mustafa, step-brother Dustin Phillips, 7 grandchildren, Madalyn, Breanna, Alissa, Harper, Hayden, Peyton, and Jozlyn, nephews Ryan and Austin Shurlow. He was preceded in death by his father, Dr. E.C. Shurlow DO, his infant son, Ryan Charles Shurlow, and his step-father Merle Phillips.

A Memorial Service will be held on Monday, February 6, 2023, at the Clare United Methodist Church at 12 Noon with Pastor Lane Van officiating. Friends may meet with his family at the church on Monday Feb. 6, from 10 AM until the time of services. Memorials in honor of Jim may be directed to the Clare County Animal Shelter. Funeral arrangements are by the Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Homes. An online condolence register is available at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Cemetery Details

Cherry Grove Cemetery

1000 Cedar St.
Clare, MI 48617

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 6. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Clare United Methodist Church
105 E. Seventh Street
Clare, MI 48617

Service

FEB 6. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

TG

“ Jim was my boss at Glasrock and Homedco Home Healthcare in Grand Rapids 30 plus years ago. His management style, leadership skills and work ethic had such a positive impact on me. I incorporated many of his managerial talents into my own career as a manager. I'll always be grateful for his mentorship and the crazy, embellishing stories he would tell. RIP Jim.

Tom Griffore - May 17, 2024 at 03:47 PM

KB

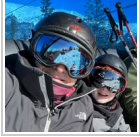
“ Jimmy (Jim) and Sara I am so very sorry for your loss. Your dad was one of a kind. He could come up some crazy ideas but it was always with the purpose of taking care of patients. He loved his family, especially his grandkids. Rest in Peace Jim.

Kathy Barnum - February 11, 2023 at 12:00 PM

JH

“ So sorry just now found out this sad news. Years ago I used to babysit for James and Charlie always good boys.

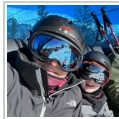
Janet Eberhart Haring - February 11, 2023 at 02:56 AM



“ Just received the news...Wilma, MaryAnn, James and Sara, Charles, Brian, Angela and Dustin, we share your loss. Along with me and select University of Michigan Respiratory Care leaders, we worked with Jim for several years during his time at UM. Ken Bandy and I (more Ken) brought Jim on to help grow MedEquip which was the big DME venture pursued by UM Health for years. (If not mistaken, I think Jim even came up with the name). I had many enjoyable work interactions with him over those years, as did Ken. From all of us at UM Respiratory Care and the old MedEquip, please know we will forever keep him in our memories and conversations when reminiscing of those times.

Mark Konkle, Ken Bandy and Wendy Pratt

Mark Konkle - February 10, 2023 at 11:59 PM



My bad...I need to include Ron Dechert on this UM post for sure.

Mark Konkle - February 11, 2023 at 12:01 PM

DW

“ I worked under Jim as a medical biller at Med Equip for ten years. Found him to be fair and compassionate. May he rest in peace.

Dee Wilhelm - February 10, 2023 at 05:02 PM

JM

“ To all the families of James
Thoughts and prayers at this difficult time
Sincerely Sharon and Jeff 🙏🙏

jenff michels - February 06, 2023 at 10:25 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James R. Shurlow.*



February 03, 2023 at 07:33 PM



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February 03, 2023 at 09:39 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James R. Shurlow.*



February 03, 2023 at 08:48 AM



“ *So very sorry to hear of Jim's passing. We were neighbors while growing in Clare and spent quite a bit of time together playing in the neighborhood.*

Larry Acton - February 01, 2023 at 09:55 AM

KO

“ *Wilma, Charles and family, I am sorry to hear that Jimmy is gone from this earth. My memories are babysitting for those sweet boys. Be proud of his giving nature of caring for others Kathy Owens*

Kathy Owens - February 01, 2023 at 08:24 AM

ML

“ *So sorry to hear of Jim's Passing. He was a great worker and I was so glad to see him a couple of years ago. Wilma and Dusty will remember who I am. I was just asking my son Chris Lewis if he had seen Jim last Sunday. Far too soon for him to pass. With Love and Sympathy to all family, Mike Lewis*

Michael J Lewis - January 31, 2023 at 02:33 PM

SM

“ *Sue Alexander May lit a candle in memory of James R. Shurlow*



Sue Alexander May - January 30, 2023 at 07:04 PM

JB

“ *May his Memory be Eternal.*

John Bartz - January 30, 2023 at 06:27 PM

JB

“ *Janice Buckley lit a candle in memory of James R. Shurlow*



Janice Buckley - January 30, 2023 at 02:17 PM

AR

“ *Sorry for the family's loss!*

Arlene Robison - January 30, 2023 at 12:18 PM

IP

I'm so sorry for your loss

Ira paul - January 30, 2023 at 02:10 PM

RR

Rest in Peace Old Friend - Rex Roe

Rex Roe - January 31, 2023 at 08:01 AM

SR

Rest in peace Jim. We will look after your mom until you are reunited.

Sue Robison - January 31, 2023 at 05:38 PM

BE

So sorry for your loss, Rest in Peace

Bernie - February 01, 2023 at 11:40 AM

DE

“The beauty of a memory is that it's always there, like a penny in your pocket, you can take it anywhere. When your heart is heavy, eyes filled with tears, just focus on a memory and travel through the years. You can think of a happy time when laughter filled the air, and thoughts of your father will lessen your despair. As you travel through life, take comfort as you go, the beautiful memories of your father, he who loved you so, My condolences to the entire family, God Bless, Dee, General Surgery family”

Dee - February 02, 2023 at 09:16 PM

MC

*Prayers for the Shurlow family
Mary Cook*

Mary Cook - February 06, 2023 at 11:16 PM