



James H Napier

September 30, 1932 - January 11, 2023

James H. Napier, age 90, of Portage, passed away January 11, 2023. He was born on September 30, 1932 in Hazel Patch, KY to John and Mary (nee Cress) Napier. James joined the family as the youngest of thirteen children. He attended Hazel Grove High School and completed two years of college before heading north to Hammond, IN. It was in Hammond that James met the love of his life, Carol Jean Otterman. They married on May 28, 1952 and together raised five children. James and Carol were married for 60 years until Carol's passing on September 22, 2012. James was a Pipefitter with Local 597 until his retirement in 1994. Once retired, James and Carol took to the road in their motor home traveling the United States and spending winters in warmer climates. He was an avid gardener and "Mr. Fix-it". He will be greatly missed.

James was preceded in death by his wife; sons-John and Charles; grandson-Kevin Napier; parents; brothers-Ted, Dave, Bill, Hub; sisters-Dorothy, Geraldine, Laurie, Lucinda, Hazel, Emma, Cindy and Ollie. He is survived by his children-Rick (Rita) Napier of Valparaiso, Anna Napier of Portage, Tammy (Joe Hawes) Dranchak of Chesterton; daughter-in-law-Lynda (Vaught) Napier; eight grandchildren; fourteen great grand children; one great great grandchild; numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation for James will be Monday, January 16, 2023 from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m., at Burns Funeral Home, 701 East 7th Street, Hobart, Pastor John Starr officiating. Funeral service will be Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. at Burns

(Hobart) and then proceeding to Graceland Cemetery, Valparaiso, IN for entombment. www.burnsfuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Graceland Cemetery

1505 E. Morthland Drive
Valparaiso, IN 46383

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 16. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home - Hobart
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Rest in peace Hoss. Love you!* ”

Francis Dranchak - February 17, 2023 at 02:43 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James H Napier.* ”



January 13, 2023 at 10:49 PM

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“ *I will be totally lost without you Dad. No one could have asked for a better Dad than you. I will miss you more than you could ever know. All my love always.* ”

Anna Napier - January 13, 2023 at 07:47 PM