



James M. Formolo

June 29, 1941 - June 30, 2021

James Mario Formolo, 80, of Iron Mountain, passed away on Wednesday, June 30, 2021 at the Oscar G. Johnson VA Medical Center after a short battle with cancer.

Jim was born and raised in Iron Mountain, Michigan where he resided for most of his life. Following his graduation from Iron Mountain High School in 1959, Jim entered the U.S. Army. Upon returning to the area he held several jobs before settling in as an Allstate agent. Jim worked for Allstate for over 35 years before retiring from the company.

Jim was an avid sports fan and enjoyed watching all kinds of sports. He loved NASCAR racing, Michigan State Spartans, and the Green Bay packers. Most notably he was a die-hard Mountaineer but followed all local sporting events throughout the years. Jim was involved with the Mountaineer booster club and received several awards for his devotion to Mountaineer sports including booster of the year. Jim was active in the local Jaycee's, the Elks Club and local bowling league as well as an active member of Immaculate Conception Parish.

Jim was an avid bocce ball player. He played locally for 35 years and participated in numerous State and National tournaments. He enjoyed traveling, with his favorite location being Italy, where at one time he shook

hands with Pope Benedict and visited the house his grandmother grew up in. Jim also enjoyed hunting and spending time at camp with family and friends.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents Elvio and Irma Formolo and his first wife, Sharon Goodchild .

He is survived by his children, Wayne (Denise) Formolo, Todd (Debbie) Formolo, Jessee (Manda) Formolo, Tracy (Rick) VanBeek, Lee Formolo, and James "Jimbo" Formolo; his brother, Dan (Leanne) Formolo; grandchildren, Corey, Emily, Mia, Mario, Nikolas, Haley, Dane, Dylan, Ciara, Kaitlyn, Anthony, Meredith and Jessica; nephews, Bryan, Tim, Jared, Joe and their families; step sons, Todd (Elisa) Dario and Tim (Jenny) Dario and their families; a sister-in-law, Mary Lou Clement and the love of his life, Fran Formolo.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, July 14th from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home. A Funeral Mass will follow at 1:30 pm at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Iron Mountain. Msgr. James Kaczmarek will offer the Mass of Christian Burial. Burial will be in Iron Mountain Cemetery Park. Military graveside honors will be conducted by the Uren-Cooper-Johnson American Legion Post 50.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of James Formolo online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Cemetery Park

101 Cedar Ave.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 14. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home

Funeral Mass

JUL 14. 1:30 PM (CT)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
500 Blaine St.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Tribute Wall



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of James M. Formolo.*



July 13, 2021 at 10:08 PM



“ *Cathy & Tom Menza lit a candle in memory of James M. Formolo*



Cathy & Tom Menza - July 13, 2021 at 01:32 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Jimbo - July 13, 2021 at 01:17 AM



Thank you we appreciate your memories of the time you spent with our family.

Denise Formolo - July 13, 2021 at 08:51 PM



“ *With Distinction was purchased for the family of James M. Formolo.*



July 12, 2021 at 09:48 AM



“ *Jim was a Great Cousin growing we played together an got in trouble together. Jim was one heck of a Football player. I will never forget him letting me use his Car with noise Hollywood Mufflers when he was 1st married. Because of Doctors appointments my Wife is fighting Terminal Cancer. Sad by moving out of State a very close Relationship was lost as I never got back to Iron Mountain. Prayers for the family.*

Alfred J DeJuliannie

Alfred J DeJuliannie - July 11, 2021 at 01:29 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Todd Alan Formolo - July 11, 2021 at 01:26 PM

BR

“ My sympathy to the Formolo Family. Lots of great memories made in the stands watching wrestling. Some of the best memories were the bus trips to Battle Creek. Rest in Peace Jim

Barry Rosene

Barry Rosene - July 09, 2021 at 04:55 PM

FF

Great memories! Still have that great book you and Jan made

Fran Formolo - July 13, 2021 at 10:29 PM

CS

“ Chuck and Gina Schroeder purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of James M. Formolo.



Chuck and Gina Schroeder - July 09, 2021 at 08:09 AM

HT

“ Haley, Nikolas, and Talia purchased the *Basket of Memories* for the family of James M. Formolo.



Haley, Nikolas, and Talia - July 08, 2021 at 10:33 PM

BG

“ Jimmy " Turnover " Formolo was a long time friend of mine since we were kids.. His Nona, Carolina Di Giuliani and mine, Louisa Valenti, were close friends. I well remember when we played IM JV Football together. Jim was the punter .I backed-up to block for him, but I backed up too far. Jim gave me an extra hard " kick in the butt " when he punted. One doesn't forget that !
At many IMHS Class of 1959 Reunions we attended, Jim always seemed to be one of the first classmates I spoke at length with.
Good times.
May God bless Jimmy Formolo. He was a good guy R.I.P.
My and Elaine's sincere sympathy to his family.

Bruce Gall

Bruce Gall - July 08, 2021 at 02:04 PM

LO

“ legend home office purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James M. Formolo.



legend home office - July 07, 2021 at 11:55 AM

JM

“ Jim was a classmate and fellow Northsider. Lots of good memories of the good old days. Whenever we went back to IM, I would see him in his office at the Mall and we would have a chat. RIP, Jim.
Julie Brosio Mente

julie mente - July 07, 2021 at 11:09 AM

MS

“ Jim was an usher in our wedding at the Trinity Methodist Church in 1963 when Catholics were told not to attend or participate in our wedding: Bob and I never forgot his loyalty to friendship. His dad helped us get the Armory for our reception. Many fond memories with Sharon and Jim when they were first married and the births of each of the boys. A memorable New Year's celebration when Jim stood on a table at the Riverside so he could be taller than me to share a midnight kiss. Still makes me laugh when I think about it. Will miss seeing him at Bob's celebration of life . Martha Nicholls Schinderle

Martha Schinderle - July 07, 2021 at 08:16 AM

EM

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Em - July 06, 2021 at 07:37 PM

DD

“ Sincere sympathy to the Formolo Family in your loss of Jim!!! May he rest in Peace!!! Been a Friend for many year's!!! You are all in our Prayer's!!!

Dick & Gail Dabb - July 06, 2021 at 05:43 PM