



James Michael Kluskens

June 16, 1953 - September 6, 2022

James “Jim” Michael Kluskens, of Niagara, WI, sadly left us on September 6, 2022. He was 69 years old.

Jim was born in Chicago, IL, on June 16, 1953, to Emory and Joan Kluskens. He lived in Quinnesec, MI, until the age of 14. He then moved with his mother’s family to southern California and graduated from Cerritos High School in 1971. Jim served in the US Army from 1972 to 1975 and was stationed in Germany for most of his service. After his service, Jim followed his heart on where he wanted to live and returned to the Northwoods of the UP and Wisconsin.

On December 31, 1978, Jim met the love of his life, Roberta Jauquet. Just a few months later, they were married on May 4, 1979. Jim and Roberta built a home in the wooded township of Niagara, WI, and shared their love with each other for the next 43 years. Jim and Roberta had their first child, their son James, in 1982. They then welcomed their daughter, Laura, into the world in 1985.

Professionally, Jim worked as a tool and die maker in the manufacturing industry, following in his father Emory’s footsteps. Jim took over his father’s company, O’Hare Tool, Inc., after Emory’s death in 1981. He ran the company with his wife Roberta until his retirement.

In his personal life, Jim was a devoted outdoorsman, hunter, and fisherman. He loved hunting whitetail deer in the woods of northeastern Wisconsin with his family and close friends. Jim also enjoyed Black Powder Cartridge Rifle (BPCR) long range competitive shooting, winning many matches over nearly two decades.

Jim is predeceased by his father Emory, mother Joan, and brother Stephen (Sheila). He is survived by his wife Roberta, brothers Michael (Claire), Jody, and Scott, sister Linda, children James (Katherine) and Laura, nephews Bernard and Alexander, granddaughter Amelia, adopted grandson Westin, and step-grandson Landon. Jim also has several extended family members from his mother's side residing in California.

Jim will be deeply missed by his family, friends, and all who knew him. To honor his memory, a celebration of his life will be held at the Niagara Town Hall on October 1, 2022, from 1 to 3 PM. As Jim would have wanted, casual attire for all guests is encouraged. Guests may also share written or oral memory of Jim, if desired.

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

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

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT 1. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Niagara Town Hall
W6889 US-8
Niagara, WI 54151

Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James Michael Kluskens.*



October 01, 2022 at 03:36 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James Michael Kluskens.*



September 30, 2022 at 01:25 PM



“ *Dear Mike, Claire, and the Kluskens family,*

My sincere condolences for the loss of your brother; such a heartbreaking loss for all who loved him. May you all find solace in the happy memories that will live forever in your hearts. Sending prayers for peace.

*In Friendship,
Jackie Budell*

Jacqueline Budell - September 13, 2022 at 08:40 PM



“ Cheryl Malko lit a candle in memory of James Michael Kluskens



Cheryl Malko - September 13, 2022 at 07:22 PM



“ Amy Adkins lit a candle in memory of James Michael Kluskens



Amy Adkins - September 13, 2022 at 01:08 PM