



## James "Jim" Riverside

April 3, 1936 - August 14, 2016

James Martin "Jim" Riverside of Iron Mountain died Sunday, August 14, 2016 at ManorCare Health Services in Kingsford.

He was born April 3, 1936 in Crystal Falls, son of the late John Wilbert and Martha Hedwig (Palomaki) Riverside. He graduated from Crystal Falls High School.

He married Inez Thornberry Peterson on July 25, 1981 at the Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Iron Mountain.

Jim served full time in the Army National Guard for nine years, working with artillery and radar sites. He learned his electronic skills there. He became a pilot and worked for Superior Aviation both as a pilot and avionics manager. In retirement, he drove a casino bus and enjoyed the bus patrons.

He was a long time member of the Experimental Aviation Association, serving the local chapter as President and Newsletter Editor. He was building a kit helicopter. Jim volunteered at the EAA Oshkosh and the Lakeland, Florida Sun 'n Fun Airshows. At Oshkosh he took care of the Water Buffaloes and worked in the Sign Shop at Lakeland.

Jim was involved in the Civil Air Patrol for many years and attained the rank of major. He assisted in many searches over the years. He was also involved in

the local ham radio club and helped run a ham program at the Sun 'n Fun Airshow. He was a member of the Finnish Raja Rhyma club and was Publicity Chairman. He was a member of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. Jim enjoyed flying airplanes, riding motorcycles, and doing ham radio. He liked to travel and went to Europe and visited Finnish relatives and went on many cruises.

He is survived by his wife and best friend, Inez, stepchildren Holly Moen (Charlie), Forest Peterson (Glenda), Gene Peterson (Gayle). Six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Also survived by niece and nephew Faye and John Riverside, Nephews Errol, Charles, and Alan Moerdyk and Nieces Marie, Ruth, and Susan and their spouses and numerous cousins.

The visitation will be held on Thursday, August 18, 2016 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Iron Mountain. The funeral service will follow at 11:00 am at the church. Rev. Robert Gordon will officiate. Burial will be in the Quinnesec Cemetery. Jim's grandsons, John and David Peterson, and Charlie Moen, and cousin, Curtis Riverside will serve as pallbearers.

Condolences to the family of James "Jim" Riverside may be expressed online at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com)

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

# Cemetery Details

## Quinnesec Cemetery

Menominee Street  
Quinnesec, MI 49876

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 18. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church  
1210 S. Kimberly Ave.  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

## Funeral Service

AUG 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church  
1210 S. Kimberly Ave.  
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

# Tribute Wall

LH

“ *My family was friends with the Riversides when they lived on US2. We had many wonderful times together and I would like the funeral home to let the family know I have never forgotten them ... I wish them all well and would like to hear from them.blessings....Leora (Oss) Harsh*

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**Leora (Oss) Harsh** - August 26, 2016 at 04:16 PM

BT

“ *Inez, our heartfelt sympathies during this sad time. We enjoyed spending time with you Jim on our cruises. He may have been a pilot, but he also loved the sea. He will be missed by so many lives that he touched through the years. Memories are a wonderful thing. Keep yours close to your heart.. Beverly Tompkins and the Falcon Travel family.*

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**Beverly Tompkins** - August 18, 2016 at 05:57 PM

GA

“ *Inez,  
We send our love to you during your time of sorrow . Jim will be deeply missed by all.  
Sorry we will not be able to attend the celebration of Jims life today.  
Praying for you in your time of need*

*Mark Gwen an Kacy*

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**Gwen Anderson** - August 18, 2016 at 07:32 AM

KM

“ Dear Inez and family we were saddened to hear of Jim's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Milt always enjoyed the time he spent with Jim and the CAP time that they spent together. Milt and Karen Martin

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**Karen Martin** - August 17, 2016 at 12:03 PM

YF

“ Your SPP Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James "Jim" Riverside.



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**Your SPP Family** - August 17, 2016 at 11:15 AM

YV

“ Your cousins, Harry and Velma purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of James "Jim" Riverside.



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**Your cousins, Harry and Velma** - August 17, 2016 at 10:35 AM

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“ I remember when I was just a little boy in the early 1970's when Jim buzzed our camp at Mud Lake, Michigan in his green and white Cessna 172. It must have lit a fire in my heart because I ended up joining the Air Force and later in my life getting my pilot training and buying a Cessna 150 of my own, in the early 1990's I flew into Crystal Falls and attended one of his EAA chapter fly in events at the Iron County Airport. It was great to actually rub elbows with local EAA folks at my home town. Now he has gone to that big hangar in the sky where all his aviator friends shall end up eventually one day. Much love and sympathy for Inez and family. Michael Morris Olson, Washington Dulles Intl. Airport, Virginia.

Michael Olson - August 16, 2016 at 07:18 PM

MW

“ Dear Inez and Family, So sorry for your loss. Jim was always a nice person, from teenage to adult. My deepest sympathies to you. Maxine White (Parochelli) Class of 54

Maxine White - August 16, 2016 at 07:12 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Riverside.



August 16, 2016 at 07:06 PM



“ *Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Riverside.*



August 16, 2016 at 06:24 PM



“ *Sad to hear of Jim's passing. Condolences to Jim's family and especially Inez. Spent many hours with Capt Jim as waist ( or waste ) picker upper on the Queen at Oshkosh. R.I.P. Jim, tailwinds forever.*

*Don and Julie Gregory, Hampton, VA*

**Don Gregory** - August 16, 2016 at 05:07 PM



“ *Sad to hear of the death of Jim. He always took time to say hello and was always ready to help anyone in need. Our prayers are with the family and friends during this time of loss. Roger & Sharon Montambo and Family - Charlotte, NC*

**Roger & Sharon Montambo** - August 16, 2016 at 04:49 PM



“ *Kathy Young lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Riverside*



**Kathy Young** - August 16, 2016 at 01:19 PM

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“ *Errol, Charles, Alan, Marie, Ruth, and Susan purchased the Sentimental Dreams for the family of James "Jim" Riverside.*



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**Errol, Charles, Alan, Marie, Ruth, and Susan** - August 16, 2016 at 10:28 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Riverside.*



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August 15, 2016 at 10:35 PM

JW

“ *So very saddened by your loss, Jim was a good man and shall be missed by anyone who shared time with him. My as well as my families thoughts and prayers will be with you during this difficult time.*

*Love Jeff Wallwork, Sharon and family*

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**Jeff Wallwork** - August 15, 2016 at 09:41 PM

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“ *Julie Alm (Oss) lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Riverside*



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**Julie Alm (Oss)** - August 15, 2016 at 06:45 PM

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“ *Sorry for your loss I remember Jim when Faye and I were kids he would take us flying sometimes in his plane. R.I.P. Jim*

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**Julie Alm (Oss)** - August 15, 2016 at 06:44 PM

DB

“ *Dear Inez,*

*So sorry to hear of Jim's passing. My deepest sympathy to you and your family.*

*I am sorry that I will be unable to express my sympathy in person as I will be out of town.*

*Keeping you in my thoughts & prayers.*

*Most Sincerely,*

*Dahly Bosley*

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**Dahly Bosley** - August 15, 2016 at 04:41 PM