



James Richard Stimac

November 15, 1945 - April 18, 2020

James Richard Stimac, age 74, passed away on Saturday, April 18, 2020 at his home in Saline. Jim was born on November 15, 1945 in Calumet, MI, the son of Anton Joseph and Rose Margret (Butala) Stimac. On February 22, 1968 in the St. Francis Church in Ann Arbor, MI, he married Barbara Hemenway. Jim proudly served in the United States Army. He was an Ann Arbor Police Officer from 1968 until his retirement in 1996. He then worked part time for the Saline Police Department. Jim enjoyed being with his family foremost. His interests and hobbies included Detroit Tigers baseball, playing softball, skydiving, and motorcycling. Jim is survived by his wife Barbara Stimac of Saline, daughter Nicole (John) Wurst, along with three grandsons, James (19), Sean (17), and Bryce (12) of the Chicago area. Also surviving are his sisters Rita Erkkila and Delores Kotajarvi and nephew Albert Erkkila of Calumet, MI. Cremation has taken place and no services are planned at this time. To leave a memory you have of Jim, to sign his guestbook, or for more information please visit www.rbfhsaline.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *James Richard Stimac*

October 23, 2023 at 01:07 PM



“ *Jimmy, I love you so much & will miss you dearly! You were the best brother! You always had time & love to give. I will miss our phone visits so much & summer visits. It's just hard that you are gone!*

Love you forever, Rita ❤️

Rita Erkkila—Sister - April 25, 2020 at 02:18 PM



“ *Although I was several years behind Jim as a fellow police officer, he did not let our age or my lesser experience change how he treated me. He was always nice to me and was very soft spoken and had a subtle sense of humor, which I thoroughly enjoyed. I trusted his advice and wisdom on many things and will be forever grateful for knowing him.*

He will be missed but never forgotten in my memory.

Ed Hamilton

Ed Hamilton - April 24, 2020 at 06:15 PM



“ *RIP brother. A quiet man held in high esteem, good friend.*

Walter Johnson - April 24, 2020 at 06:06 PM

SR

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Stephen Robison - April 24, 2020 at 05:38 PM

BL

“ *Barb and Family: So sorry to hear of your loss. Condolences and prayers of strength and comfort to all. Rest in perfect peace.*

Barbara Schmid Losee - April 24, 2020 at 05:27 PM

DD

“ *I met Jim Stimac in the Fall of 1967, when we both were hired by the Ann Arbor Police Department. The fact that we were both born and raised in the Upper Peninsula helped cement our lasting friendship. Jim and I were joined by a 3rd Yooper, Gary Severinsen, and we were roommates until we met our future wives and got married. To have close friends for over a half century is a rare experience. I am saddened by Jim's passing, but comforted that his pain is relieved and the confidence that he will never be forgotten. Rest in Peace my friend.
Dick (SueAnne) DeGrand*

Dick DeGrand - April 23, 2020 at 09:38 AM

TW

I enjoyed working with Jim on the midnight shift. Rip. Jim.

thurman warford - April 24, 2020 at 07:36 PM

KH

I want to extend my deepest sympathies to his family. I count myself fortunate to have had the chance to know him and to work with him. Women on the Police Department in the 1970's was new and often controversial. He was always respectful and supportive in his quiet way. Rest in Peace. Katherine Hay

Katherine J Hay - April 24, 2020 at 08:55 PM

JL

A great friend and partner you will be missed and never forgotten. Jerry Ludwig

Jerry Ludwig - April 24, 2020 at 09:17 PM

WH

I enjoyed working with Jim. He was a good friend. Bill Hoover

William Hoover - April 24, 2020 at 11:47 PM

JR

I seldom worked with Jim but when I did it was a real treat as we were both from the U.P. And we exchanged experience from home. Rest in peace Air my prayers are with you and the ones left behind, Gofd bless.

Jerry Reynard - April 25, 2020 at 12:41 AM

MH

Mary Hess - April 25, 2020 at 11:32 AM

AE

*I will always remember as a kid when Uncle Jim would visit in the summer he always made time to play catch or hit some balls to me, he always made me feel special and was kind and generous, those traits he kept his whole life. I respected him more than words can say, he always knew what to do in any situation, and I valued his advice. I will miss talking about the Tigers and cars with him. I always enjoyed going to his house to visit in the summers. He was the best uncle I could have ever asked for and I will miss him forever. I will always treasure the time I had with him. I only hope I can be half the man that he was. I will never forget him,
Love and respect Albert*

albert erkkila - April 25, 2020 at 05:13 PM

KJ

Jim is a friend going back to the late 50's. I enjoyed his company. So long fellow brother in blue.

Keith jenich aug. 9

keith jenich - August 09, 2020 at 04:18 PM