



James "Jim" Arthur Buckland

April 21, 1959 - November 2, 2023

James "Jim" Arthur Buckland, age 64, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, died Thursday, November 2, 2023, in Sault Ste. Marie. He was born on April 21, 1959, to Wendell and Anita (Johnson) Buckland.

Jim was a proud member of the Portage Central High School Class of 1977. While attending Portage Central, he was part of the baseball and hockey teams. After high school, Jim went on to attend Michigan Technological University in Houghton, Michigan, following the tradition of his father Wendell Buckland. Jim was an electrical engineer and started his career at Texas Instruments then Martin Systems. Jim went on to co-found his own company, Insight Integration.

In his free time, he enjoyed watching the boats at the Soo Locks and enjoying nature in Rotary Park with his daughter, Kate. Jim loved the outdoors and any activity that brought him outside including skiing, hiking, golfing, and biking. He loved any and all types of music and was an avid University of Michigan football fan. Jim also had a green thumb and enjoyed growing his own herbs. Jim was an amazing cook and spent time learning how to make his own bread and experimenting with different recipes.

Jim was a member of the Lutheran Church.

He was a loving father, brother, and uncle and will be immensely missed by his family and friends.

Jim is survived by his daughter, Katharine “Kate” Buckland of Atlanta, Georgia; sisters, Karin Buckland-Van Dyke of Houghton, Michigan, and Julie (Rodney) Buckland-Patrick of Irving, Texas; nephew, Andrew Van Dyke of Marquette, Michigan; niece’s, Sarah Van Dyke-Golus of Milwaukee, Wisconsin and Emma Barnes of St. Paul, Minnesota.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Wendell and Anita Buckland.

A memorial service for Jim will be announced at a later date.

Final resting place will be at the Gardens of Rest Memorial Park in Escanaba, Michigan.

Family Life Funeral Homes assisted the family with arrangements. Online condolences may be left at www.galerfuneralhomes.com

Cemetery Details

Garden of Rest Cemetery

6556 US Hwy 41
Wells, MI 49894