



James William Lamoreaux

January 9, 1931 - December 5, 2021

James W. Lamoreaux (Jim), 90, of St. Ignace, Michigan, passed away Sunday, December 5, 2021, at Mackinac Straits. He always had a smile and a warm welcome for everyone. Our community lost a great friend!

He was born January 9, 1931, and was raised by Bert and Bertha Lamoreaux. He graduated from Sault High School in 1950. He retired from the Mackinac Bridge Authority in 1997 after working there for 31 years.

He was a member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

He loved to golf, go on walks with his dog Cassie and attending all sporting events. His family was his life.

He is survived by his wife of 71 years, Coralie (Gilroy) Lamoreaux; daughters, Lynda Brown (Bob), Holly Lamoreaux (Mort), Sharon Litzner (Jimmy), and Jayne Lamoreaux; 11 grandkids, and 17 great-grandkids.

He was preceded by his parents, Bert and Bertha; and his daughter Leane Mary.

There will be no memorial service. Please remember him when you saw him last, sitting in his porch waving with a big smile.

Tribute Wall



“ *James William Lamoreaux*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *James William Lamoreaux*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *James William Lamoreaux*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *Just learned of Jim's passing in the newspaper and wanted to pass along my sympathies to Lynda, Holly and my former HS classmates Sharon and Jayne, plus extended family. Jim was certainly an unforgettable and accomplished person in St. Ignace, always friendly too, and will be very much missed. Hard to envision a St. Ignace without him in it*

Tom North - December 16, 2021 at 06:48 PM

BM

“ This summer I was driving by Jim's house and there he was walking across the yard. I stopped, it was beautiful day and Jim says, "sit on the porch steps." We talked about our Hessel Lamoreaux relatives and then as usual we started talking about sports. Tom Izzo name came up. Jim said, "I ref a game when Iron Mountain and Kingsford went into overtime and Tommy missed both free shots and they lost the game. When he came across the bridge and he seen me in the toll booth, he parked his car, came over and got in the booth and would talk to me."

Bud Mathews - December 16, 2021 at 12:29 AM

CN

“ I can still hear him “talking” to me and other players while he reffed our games. He was so kind. Gave us all plenty of warnings before he blew his whistle.

Chris Nance - December 15, 2021 at 06:12 PM

RM

“ Jerry and I are so sorry to hear this news. 'Mr. Lamoreaux" was the kindest, sincerest man I have ever known. Always smiling, stopping to say hi when he met you on his walks. We will miss his smiling face at the marina and yes indeed, St. Ignace has lost a good man. To his family.... ladies, I know how much you loved him, what a great grandpa he was and he is going to be desperately missed. Know that he will never be forgotten. Prayers and hugs to all of you.
Jerry and Reinette Murray

Reinette Murray - December 15, 2021 at 08:11 AM

MV

“ I always enjoyed being around Jim when I was younger. He and my dad were best friends, golfing buddies and officiated together for years.

Mike “Red” Vecellio - December 15, 2021 at 06:17 AM

HE

“ 2 files added to the album Memories Album



Heather - December 14, 2021 at 07:29 PM

MA

“ As a player Jim was friendly and always had a smile and an encouraging word! The last game of my senior year I broke my hip, as I tried to stand and continue playing Jim came over and tried to help and finally convince me to just stay down! He knelt beside me speaking about how great the game was going was until the amb crew came and got me! As a coach for 14 years I never had the nerve to argue with Jim, knowing he was the best of the best and only called what he saw with no other agenda! I consider Jim a friend as I believe he did me! I hope my kids turn out as good a man as Jim! See you in heaven some day Jim! Praying for the family!!
Red Adams

milton adams - December 13, 2021 at 01:20 PM

DM

“ To Jim's family,

So sorry for your loss. Jim was a terrific person and an icon in Eastern Upper Peninsula sports. We might have disagreed on some calls but I always had the utmost respect for Jim. I talked to Eddie Lester this fall and asked about Jim and Ed said he was having trouble with his balance. I asked him to say hello for me.

RIP Jim, you were a good friend, always had a friendly smile and were well liked by everyone in the area.

*Dave Miller
DeTour Village*

David Miller - December 13, 2021 at 12:58 PM

MT

“ Lamoreaux Family:

Jim was the example of the greatest generation to ever live. Jim was also a class act when he was officiating a game. RIP Jim, from another First warder.



Mark Tamlyn - December 13, 2021 at 11:16 AM