



James Raymond Leavitt

August 29, 1958 - September 11, 2018

James Raymond “Jim” Leavitt, age 60, of Pickford, Michigan died on September, 11, 2018 at his home. He was born on August 29, 1958 in Cheboygan, Michigan, to Raymond James and Helen Marie (Barr) Leavitt.

Jim grew up in Pickford and graduated from Pickford High School in the class of 1977. He joined the United States Navy and served for almost three years. He returned to Pickford and started working at Huyck’s Poultry Farm and then for Nova Vista setting up painting booths for auto detailing. While working, he earned his Master Electrician certification from the State of Michigan. Jim started working at the Cedarville Limestone Quarry in 1988 and worked for 30 years as a Master Electrician.

Jim was an avid leather crafter. He worked on many projects and taught his love and patience for this craft to his nephew. He enjoyed gardening and camping with his loved partner Becky. Jim was a collector of many things and enjoyed talking about and showing his collections to his family. He had a special place in his heart for his grandson James and passed on his kindness and knowledge through him. He enjoyed his job at the quarry and from years of working third shift, would normally greet those in passing with the phrase, “Good Mornin’!” no matter what time of day it might be.

Jim is survived by his children-at-heart, Ashley (Chris Goudreau) Reid, of

Pickford, Eric Reid of Fenton, and Heather Thill of Chicago, Illinois; grandson, James Reid; step-father, Herman (Irene) Campbell, of Pickford; brother, Calvin (Fran) Leavitt, of Pickford; sisters, Carolyn Cottle of Pickford and Cindy (Lee) Wentzel of Portage, Michigan; step-brothers, James (Lori) Campbell and Jake (JoEllen) Campbell; step-sisters, Janet Campbell and Judy Campbell, all of Pickford; nieces & nephews, Raymond (Sara) Cottle, Daniel (Melissa) Cottle, Glen Cottle, Emelia Cottle, Raeann (Kevin) Starr, Christopher (Kristie) Leavitt, Cheri (Ben) Bush, James Campbell Jr., Christina Campbell, Nichole Graham, Tiffany (Andy) Fortin, Cassandra Campbell, Heather (Mark) Black, Derek Campbell, and many great-nieces & great nephews.

Jim is preceded in death by his parents; sister, Connie Leavitt; and brother-in-law, Gary Cottle.

A memorial gathering will be held on Saturday, September 15, 2018 from 10:00am to 11:00am at R. Galer Funeral Home in Pickford. Memorial Service will be at 11:00am and there will be a celebration of Jim's life at the home of Jake and JoEllen Campbell on Fairview Road at 1:30pm.

Interment will be a private event at Fairview Cemetery, in Pickford.

Condolences may be sent to the family at www.rgalerfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

SEP **15**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Family Life Funeral Homes - Pickford
24549 S. M-129
Pickford, MI 49774
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<https://www.familylifefuneralhomes.com/>

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Tribute Wall



“ *James Raymond Leavitt*

October 05, 2023 at 09:54 AM



“ *James Raymond Leavitt*

October 02, 2023 at 10:14 PM



“ *James Raymond Leavitt*

September 01, 2022 at 07:49 PM



“ *Good Mornin as Jim would always say. He will be greatly missed by all of those who truly knew him. He Loved his Children Ashley {Chris}, Heather, Eric, Grandson James and Newpew Ray to The Moon and Back. As for the rest of his family he loved them Dearly also once he explained his extended family to me so I understood who everyone was.:} He was a very loving and giving man.*

Love Kim

KIM - September 15, 2018 at 09:08 PM

JJ

“ *John, Fawn, Jessica, Joshua purchased the Fall Fantasia for the family of James Raymond Leavitt.*



John, Fawn, Jessica, Joshua - September 14, 2018 at 10:29 AM

LZ

“ *To the entire Leavitt and Campbell families we send you our love, sympathy and hugs on the passing of your loved one. May God wrap his arms around and guide you through this journey. Love Paul, Lorraine, Todd, Marc and families.*

Lorraine Zawacki - September 14, 2018 at 08:33 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Raymond Leavitt.*



September 13, 2018 at 09:42 PM

UK

“ *Uncle Clem & Aunt Ev - Angie & Dan - Joy & Kevin purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of James Raymond Leavitt.*



Uncle Clem & Aunt Ev - Angie & Dan - Joy & Kevin - September 13, 2018 at 09:26 PM

JC

“ RIP JL we will all miss you and your favorite greeting “Good mornin’
“ no matter what time of day it was!!!

Jo-Ellen and Jake Campbell - September 13, 2018 at 04:58 PM

JO

“ Rev,
All of us who knew and called you that, will miss you. For me, I will
miss you the most. You being gone, just sucks.
The one and only,
Werewolf

john - September 13, 2018 at 04:11 PM

HO

“ So much of your life was dedicated to others.
Thank you for being in mine. You were my
Dad and I will miss all our conversations,
laughs, and watching Star Trek together. I’m
sorry we didn’t get to say goodbye. I love you
and I hope that you are reconnecting with passes loved ones, and
now truly get to explore the universe. Adin and Moses love and miss
you too. Thank you for taking care of them. I’ll be missing you until
we meet again💖 Love, Heather



Heather Offord - September 13, 2018 at 01:10 PM

AR

“ Oh Pappa!! My heart aches today for you!! We miss you so very much as does everyone else!! I am going to miss your most favorite saying " Good Morning" which you used for whatever time of day it was. You always helped anyone who needed it and had the biggest heart of anyone I ever knew!! Fly high Pappa I am sure there were many up in heaven to welcome you with open arms!! Love n miss you more!!
Ash n Chris Reid



Ash n Chris Reid - September 13, 2018 at 10:07 AM

TP

“ Jim was such a kind caring person always there to help anyone that needed it. He was a great father to Ashley, Eric and Heather he will be greatly missed by so many people. Rest in Heaven you have so many people there from past that are waiting for you with open arms. Our thoughts and prayers are with his family. God Bless
Randy and Terri Pizzuti



Terri Pizzuti - September 12, 2018 at 10:45 PM