



## James E. Mansfield

February 3, 1921 - October 9, 2007

James Edward Mansfield, age 86, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan passed away Tuesday afternoon, October 9, 2007 at War Memorial Hospital. Jim was born in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan on February 3, 1921 to the late John and Margaret (Fortin) Mansfield. He graduated from Sault High School with the Class of 1939. He served his country in the United States Navy during World War II. He was a fighter pilot in the South Pacific, flying the Hellcat and the Corsair from the aircraft carriers USS Franklin and USS Hornet. Jim continued flying privately until age 84. Jim was the owner and well-loved manager of the Harbor House and Happy Hideaway. His long history of entrepreneurship also includes founding Glass and Paint Products, Seaplane Tours, Advanced Custom Upholstery, and the Econo-Wash. In addition he worked at the Ojibway Hotel, Taffy Abel's Supper Club, and the Sault Evening News. Jim enjoyed golfing, photography, old movies, and hard work. He especially enjoyed spending time with his friends and family. He was a member of the Elks Lodge and the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA). He was married to Audrey Maleport, with whom he had his four children, and later married June McGlinch. Jim is survived by two daughters, Patricia (Jim) Krebs of Raleigh, NC, and Kathy (Lloy) Mansfield of Kalispell, MT; two sons, David Mansfield of Des Moines, IA, and Mark Mansfield of Santa Barbara, CA; and two grandchildren, David Joseph (DJ) Mansfield and Christopher Mansfield of Sault Ste. Marie. Jim was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, John and Patrick Mansfield; and his sister, Loretta Jones. A Memorial Mass

will be held at 10:00 AM on Saturday, October 13, 2007 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan with Father Pawel Mecwel as celebrant. Internment will be at Oaklawn Chapel Gardens.

# Tribute Wall

PA

“ *Happy Birthday, Dad.*

**Patty** - February 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

TC

“ *We have great memories of Jim and the "Happy Hideaway". Jim was our friend and we always looked forward to seeing him at the Bar. Our deepest sympathy to family and regular patrons.*

**The Boys From Soo Canada** - October 15, 2007 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ *DJ, Sorry to hear of the loss of your Grandfather. He was one of the happiest people we knew, He always had time for a chat and a joke. We will miss him at the bomb shelter. Betty and family*

**Betty Caron** - October 14, 2007 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ *Jim will always be with us. The many years we spent together have been captured for eternity in photos and memories. We will miss him greatly and his love for his friends and family will never die. Your loss is our loss and our hearts go out to all family and friends. Sincerely, Sheldon and Shellie Ann Pelto and the Pelto Family, Michael, Cory, Terrance, ... A and the Chippewa Riders #644*

**Sheldon and Shellie Pelto** - October 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ i only got to know jim for a few months.but his mind and actions let me know in a hurry he was a man i respected and call a friend.he was always there for all of his tennants.i will miss him.my sincere condolences to his family. tom

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**tom lester** - October 12, 2007 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ I am saddened by Jim,s death but I do recall many happy times with JIM. Our mutual passion for airplanes and flying is just one of my MANY fond memories. He liked to say that I was the only one he let fly his Swift. I remember most his positive attitude and zest for life. My condolences to PATTY , KATO, DAVE and MARK. Sincerely ,  
Dean

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**Dean Carley** - October 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Dear Dave Mansfield and rest of family We are very sorry to hear of your loss. We have very fond memories of your father at the bar,his friendliness, his jokes,how he loved his back rubed and gloat to his Canada friends. That was our favorite bar. He will be missed.

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**Jim Rogers Linda Hirt** - October 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ Kato -  
We hope you and your family are doing o.k. through this hard time. Know we're thinking of you and will talk to you when you get back to MT.

Love,  
Karen & David

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**Karen & David Pettit** - October 11, 2007 at 12:00 AM

KO

“ Over the last 13 years, you were always there for me as a father. Whenever I had a problem or needed advice, you were always willing to impart your point of view and help me through. I will miss you always and you will be forever in my heart.

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**Kari O'Gorman** - October 10, 2007 at 12:00 AM

JF

I rented a room from James up above the happy hideaway there at the harbor house. Shot alot of pool there for a quarter a game and drank a lot of beer for a dollar a mug. I enjoyed him very much. He was a good man that I'll never forget.

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**Johnny Farley** - April 17, 2024 at 07:36 PM