



## James Murray

October 23, 1935 - June 28, 2023

James H Murray (Jim) age 87, of Brimley, Michigan went to meet our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on June 28, 2023.

Jim was born October 23, 1935, in Flint, Michigan to his parents Ralph and Thelma (Lennox) Murray. He graduated from Lake City High School in 1953 and continued his education at Ferris State University (Institute) where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science from the School of Pharmacy. Jim was a successful and much respected pharmacist until he permanently retired at age 80.

Jim met the love of his life for 52 years, Janice Van Paris, at the Gaiety Bowling Alley in Cheboygan, Michigan when they were unexpectedly paired up for mixed doubles. A year later they were married on December 19, 1970.

Jim and Janice raised their family in Rogers City, Michigan where he selflessly served his community as the hospital pharmacist and volunteer EMT for the hospital emergency service of which he helped form. Jim was also an active member of the local Kiwanis Club, serving one year as president and he also served as chairman for the Rogers City Nautical Festival. Perhaps some of his most enjoyable moments were participating in the festival parade as Flounder the Clown and supporting the Rainbow Lounge women's softball team.

Jim continued to enjoy bowling with his wife, square dancing with the Presque

Isle Promenaders and endless nights of playing cards with his friends, traveling to see family for holidays, and many memorable camping and snowmobiling adventures with family and friends.

In January 2002 Jim and Jan relocated to Brimley, Michigan where he helped establish the Bay Mills Pharmacy along with Otto Bacon of War Memorial Hospital and Walt Parrish of the Bay Mills Community.

Later in life Jim and Jan enjoyed retirement by taking well-deserved cross-country trips, taking up his love of golf, and numerous trips to attend his granddaughter's and grandson's sporting and music events.

To the very end, Jim's never ending smart-alecky sense of humor and funny expressions never ceased to produce a smile or a laugh. He will be dearly missed and forever remembered in our hearts.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents Ralph and Thelma Murray, brothers Paul Murray, Jerry Murray (Judy Clark), and sister Valerie (Jim Miller).

Jim is survived by his wife Janice, his daughters Tami (Peter Domitrovich) of Ontonagon, Michigan and Traci (Mark Lambert) of Traverse City, Michigan; his sons and daughter Guy Murray, Brent Murray (and wife Patti) of Glendale, Ohio and Janna (Ken Iler) of McBain, Michigan; 22 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Jim is being privately served by C.S Mulder Funeral Home and will be laid to rest at Pine Hill Cemetery in Cheboygan, Michigan.

In appreciation to the wonderful and loving care Jim received at the Ball Hospice House, those wishing to honor his life may make donations to Hospice of the EUP, 308 W. 12th Ave, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783.



# Tribute Wall

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“ *Jan, I am so sorry for your loss!  
You and Jim were a great couple!  
I'm glad we are friends!  
Love, Andrea Socia*

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**Andrea Socia** - July 05, 2023 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Traci, I'm so very sorry for your loss. Met your Dad many years ago  
and like mine, was a very funny man.  
My sympathies to you and your family.  
Much love, Lisa*

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**Lisa Hill** - July 05, 2023 at 12:00 AM