



James F. "Jim" Royster

November 3, 1938 - July 7, 2018

James F. "Jim" Royster, age 79 years, a resident of Vienna, passed away Saturday evening, July 7, 2018, at 7:25 PM at Baptist Health in Paducah, Kentucky.

Jim was born November 3, 1938 in Buncombe, Illinois. He was the son of Charles and Juanita (Stout) Royster.

On December 7, 1957, Jim was united in marriage to Phyllis June Bias in Kankakee, Illinois. He was a loving and devoted husband for over 61 years.

In addition to his wife, Jim is also survived by: 3 children – Diane (Pat) Lewis of Omaha, Nebraska, Charles "Woody" Royster of Bogart, Georgia; Jim (Julie) Royster of Benton, Kentucky; 12 grandchildren – Ryan and Kendall Lewis, Eric, Jared and Lucas Cook, Aaryn Hill, Brandi, Nicole, Charles, Megan, James and Jacob Royster; several great grandchildren; a sister – Kathy (Eddie) Holt of Panama City, Florida; a son-in-law – David Moore of Buncombe; a sister-in-law – Shari Royster of Kankakee; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and many dear friends.

In addition to his parents, Jim was preceded in death by: a daughter – Kathryn Moore, a grandson – Alexander Lewis; an infant grandson; a sister and brother-in-law – Marie & John Hancock; a brother – Lewis Royster; a

daughter-in-law – Diana Royster; and his stepfather – Ernie Black.

Jim was a 1956 graduate of Vienna High School. He was employed for many years as a truck driver for Kroehler Manufacturing, Inc. in Bradley, Illinois and also served in a variety of capacities for Armstrong Cork and Tile Manufacturing also in Bradley. Jim was a member of the Teamsters International Union.

Jim was a devoted and faithful Christian. He and Phyllis worshipped at the First Baptist Church in Karnak, Illinois where Jim served as a deacon.

Jim enjoyed reading and working in his yard. He loved Johnson County and always referred to it as “God’s Country.”

A funeral service honoring the life of Jim Royster will be conducted Thursday morning, July 12, 2018, at 11 AM at First Baptist Church, 309 Main St. Karnak, Illinois. Pastor Dean West will officiate. Burial will be in the Mt. Zion Cemetery east of Buncombe.

Visitation will be conducted Wednesday evening, July 11, 2018, from 5 PM – 8 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Also, there will be a time of visitation Thursday morning from 10 AM – 11 AM at the First Baptist Church in Karnak.

Memorials may be made to the First Baptist Church, 309 Main St., Karnak, IL 62956.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Zion Cemetery

Buncombe, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 11. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home
705 North First Street
PO Box 695
Vienna, IL 62995
(618) 658-2311
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com
<https://baileyfh.com>

Visitation

JUL 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
309 Main Street
Karnak, IL 62956

Service

JUL 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church
309 Main Street
Karnak, IL 62956

Tribute Wall



“ James F. "Jim" Royster

January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ Rev. Richard & Vickey Swiney lit a candle in memory of James F. "Jim" Royster



Rev. Richard & Vickey Swiney - July 12, 2018 at 02:23 PM



“ Virginia Jones lit a candle in memory of James F. "Jim" Royster



Virginia Jones - July 11, 2018 at 01:49 AM



We were in the same class at Buncome grade school. Have fond memories of all of you.

Virginia Jones - July 11, 2018 at 01:54 AM



“ *Cherished Memories was purchased for the family of James F. "Jim" Royster.*



July 10, 2018 at 11:07 PM



“ *Phyllis your in our prayers He was so nice and we know he's with Jesus Carol & Toby Bryant*

Carol Bryant - July 10, 2018 at 02:30 PM



“ *John Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of James F. "Jim" Royster*



John Slack - July 09, 2018 at 08:48 PM



“ *Phyllis I was sorry to hear Jim passed away. He was a fine Christian man.*

Pastor Hollis

Ed Hollis - July 09, 2018 at 08:30 PM

VB

“ Vonda Burnam lit a candle in memory of James F. "Jim" Royster



Vonda Burnam - July 09, 2018 at 08:20 PM

DP

“ Dave & Pat Prewitt lit a candle in memory of James F. "Jim" Royster



Dave & Pat Prewitt - July 09, 2018 at 06:45 PM

LK

“ Linda Koehler lit a candle in memory of James F. "Jim" Royster



Linda Koehler - July 09, 2018 at 07:07 AM



“ Debbie Stewart lit a candle in memory of James F. "Jim" Royster

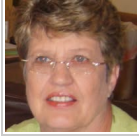


Debbie Stewart - July 09, 2018 at 06:30 AM



Was neighbor to my parents for years....Debbie Reinhardt Stewart

Debbie Stewart - July 09, 2018 at 06:32 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of the passing of James. The Royster family was part of my growing up in Buncombe. Although James was*

was a few years ahead of me, his younger brother, Lewis and I were in the same class. Their father Charles was our bus driver and custodian. I was in awe of their sister, Marie. Such a pretty girl and sooooo sweet. Such great memories, RIP James.



Elaine Rotan - July 08, 2018 at 10:42 PM

LM

“ *Larry And Carolyn McGill lit a candle in memory of James F. "Jim" Royster*



Larry and Carolyn McGill - July 08, 2018 at 09:37 PM