



## James P. Upchurch

December 29, 1937 - August 11, 2009

James P. Upchurch, 71, of Springfield, Illinois passed away on August 11, 2009 at 1:33 a.m. at St. John's Hospital. He was born Dec 29, 1937 in Creal Springs, Il, the son of John and Mildred Upchurch. He married Charlene Riley on Sept 9, 1961 in Vienna, Il.

Jim was a veteran of the U.S. Army from Nov 1956 to Nov 1959, serving the last year in Korea. He was a member of Springfield Southern Baptist Church, serving as a deacon and taught Sunday school for 34 years. Jim was employed by the Horace Mann Insurance Company from 1962 to 2000, serving as Assistant Vice President of Auto Underwriting, president of the Springfield Chapter of CPCU and teaching 14 IIA insurance classes.

He is survived by his wife Charlene, two sons Steve Upchurch (wife Kim) of Springfield and Darin Upchurch of Austin, TX. Two grandsons, Ben and Austin of Springfield. Three brothers, Joe (wife Myrl) , Jerry (wife Brenda) of Marion Il, Kenny (wife Marilyn) of Tunnel Hill, Il and a deceased brother Mick (wife Robbie) of Creal Springs, Il and several nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be from 5-7 pm, Thursday, August 13, 2009 at Staab Funeral Home. Lie in state from 10-10:30 am, Friday, August 14, 2009 at Springfield Southern Baptist Church with funeral service at 10:30 am, Pastor Mike Keppler officiating.

A Graveside Service will be held Saturday morning, August 15, 2009, at 10 AM at the Vienna Fraternal Cemetery. Brother Shorty Alsip will officiate.

Military graveside rites will be accorded by the Beggs-Gurley VFW Post of

Vienna.

Memorials may be made to MDA for ALS research, 2908 Greenbriar Drive,  
Springfield, IL 62704

Local arrangements entrusted to Bailey Funeral Home, Vienna, Illinois.

# Tribute Wall



“ *James P. Upchurch*

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January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM