



Mr. James R. Harris

May 5, 1930 - April 1, 2016

James R. Harris, age 85, of Casco Township, passed away on April 1, 2016, peacefully. He was born on May 5, 1930, in Roseville, to the late Russell and Gladys Harris. He married Lorraine Furton on March 17, 1950 in Mt. Clemens, she preceded him in death on November 11, 1989.

Jim served honorably in the U.S. Navy. He was an auxiliary police officer for the City of Mt. Clemens, for five years. He was hired as a special patrolman in 1968 for The Village of New Haven, he then became a patrolman, Chief of Police and was promoted to Sergeant, in 1977, retiring in 1986. He was Past President Pro-tem for the Village of New Haven, was Past Constable of Lenox Township. Jim was a member of Fraternal Order of Police and the American Legion. He enjoyed watching the Detroit Tigers, traveling, collecting nutcrackers, going to the casino and watching and feeding hummingbirds. He was currently employed at Michigan Meadows Golf Course, where he worked for 22 years. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, uncle and brother.

He is survived by his beloved, Jeanette of Casco Township, children; James (Sharon) Harris of Port Sanilac, Debra (Chuck) Esser of Ira Township, Tammy Folsom of Charlotte, North Carolina, Kim (Bruce Mize) Harris of Twin Lake and Colleen (Rick Clark) Harris of New Haven, ten grandchildren; Donita (David), Brandy (Al), David, Nicole (Dave), Jimmy, Corissa, Melissa and Michael, 13 great grandchildren, his extended family; Deborah Morgan, Lisa (Thomas) Martindale, Daniel Wroblewski, Joseph (Michelle) Wroblewski and their

children and grandchildren. He is also survived by his brothers and sisters; Kay (Barbara) Harris, Shirley Hubbarth, Ed (Janet) Harris, Laura (Ted) Shinn, Gladys (Carl) Gabrielson and Gary (Joyce) Harris, his four legged friend, Abby, along with several nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Bonnie Sims, two grandchildren; Donald Jr., and Bryan, brother, Thomas and a brother-in-law, Al.

Funeral mass will be held on Thursday, at 10:30am in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church – 9764 Dixie Highway, Ira Township. Father Joe Esper will officiate. Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery, New Baltimore.

Visiting will be Wednesday, from 12:00pm (noon) until 8:00pm in the Jowett Funeral Home – 57737 Gratiot, New Haven. He will lie in state Thursday, from 10:00am until time of mass at 10:30am.

Pallbearers will be: David Harris, Jim Harris III, Michael Kincaid, Gary Harris, Dan Wroblewski and Michael Gabrielson.

St. Clair County Allied Veterans will conduct military honors.

Memorial tributes can be made to the wishes of the family.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

New Baltimore, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 6. 12:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Jowett Funeral Home and Cremation Service - New Haven
57737 Gratiot Avenue
New Haven, MI 48048
(586) 749-9585
jowettfamily@comcast.net
<https://www.jowettfuneraldirectors.com>

In State

APR 7. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Immaculate Conception
9764 Dixie Highway
Ira, MI 48023

Funeral Mass

APR 7. 10:30 AM (ET)

Immaculate Conception
9764 Dixie Highway
Ira, MI 48023

Tribute Wall

CA

“ Carly purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Mr. James R. Harris.



Carly - April 06, 2016 at 11:36 AM

CH

“ I love you dad ❤️ I will always carry you in my heart.



Colleen Harris - April 05, 2016 at 05:51 PM

DM

So very sorry for your loss! Praying for you and your family!

Donna Moore - April 09, 2016 at 06:33 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. James R. Harris.



April 05, 2016 at 04:37 PM



“Dad, me and Rick will miss you so so much. We will miss all the times we spent watching the Tiger's and all the football games and especially the Super Bowl game and seating around the patio just talking and eating. I will miss you when I call you and you would say "what does she want know" lol, Rick will miss you by your firm handshake and your big smile. We love you so much and will miss you. Love you Rick and Colleen. Hugs and kisses!!

Colleen Harris - April 05, 2016 at 09:01 AM



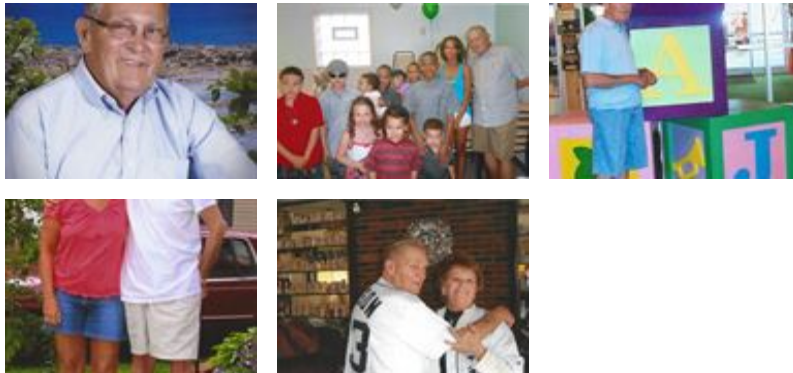
“Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. James R. Harris.



April 04, 2016 at 11:06 PM



“30 files added to the album Life Tributes



Jowett Funeral Home and Cremation Service - April 04, 2016 at 01:14 PM

DE

“ *Debbie Esser lit a candle in memory of Mr. James R. Harris*



Debbie Esser - April 03, 2016 at 10:32 PM

EB

“ *Dear Harris Family, My grandfather was Wesley Harris, brother of Russel. My Dad was Charles Harris, son of Wesley. I am Ellen Harris Braden, daughter of Charles. I am very sorry to hear of the passing of James R. Harris. I did not know him, but he was part of my family.*
Ellen Harris Braden

Ellen Braden - April 03, 2016 at 07:01 PM



“ *Hearing about your loss has deeply saddened me, but I know that this is far from what you are going through right now. You are in my thoughts and prayers. My heartfelt sympathy goes out to you and your family.*



Rebecca Renkert - April 03, 2016 at 05:50 PM



“ *Nicole Ratliff-Brown lit a candle in memory of Mr. James R. Harris*



Nicole Ratliff-Brown - April 03, 2016 at 02:54 PM

TF

“Dad u are really going to be missed glad to have got to spend the last week with you now u can rest peacefully, You wil be with mom and Bonnie tell them hi and we love all of you.Love You your daughter Tammy

Tammy Folson - April 03, 2016 at 02:31 PM

DM

“Debbie Morgan lit a candle in memory of Mr. James R. Harris



Debbie Morgan - April 02, 2016 at 09:58 PM



“Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. James R. Harris.



April 02, 2016 at 08:59 PM

PI

“Colleen I'm so sorry for your loss if u need anything please let me know.
Take care. Pam Ichenberg.

Pam Ichenberg - April 02, 2016 at 03:34 PM

DM

“ Jim/Dad, I'm so going to miss you! I think I'm going to take your binoculars and have them bronzed! Lol Thank you for watching out for us, and the many calls you gave me because I had left my car door open! You took me into your heart and arms just like I was your child. I'm so happy that you and my mother found each others and with it true love, it brought together one huge family. Give Kim & Grandma one huge hug from me! Now I now you are in awesome care and no more pain. So your 10/19 Over and out.



Debbie Morgan - April 02, 2016 at 11:54 AM

SS

“ Reat in Peace Papa Smurf!



samarah saif - April 02, 2016 at 11:25 AM



“ I have fond memories of Mr. Harris/Chief of Police when I was a teenager dating & driving...He knew it was Bucky's car so I guess that was alright with him. He would let me drive knowing I had no licenses and tell me "be careful". He waved at me when I drove by while he was patrolling. We need more kind policemen such as Mr. Harris and WC Moore. He will surely be missed. My prayers goes out to the the family. Peach and Blessing... RIP

Shirley Oliver Dilbert - April 02, 2016 at 08:45 AM

MC

“ Colleen I'm so sorry to hear about the loss of your Father. Know that I am praying for you and your family during this difficult time.
Ms. Clark



Ms. Clark - April 02, 2016 at 07:07 AM

 Joyce Harris

“ When I married your youngest brother, I remember the warm welcome I received from you and all the Harris family. We had many weekend road trips - that always ended up from one end of this state to another with lots of laughs and just good times. I was blessed to know you and love you and your family. Love will carry us through and we will meet again where the angels sing. Joyce Harris

Joyce Harris - April 01, 2016 at 11:18 PM

KH

“ U will be miss by me and Bruce I will be lost not calling u everyday and to ask u how to make something

Kim harris - April 01, 2016 at 10:27 PM

DH

“ Sadden to hear about Jim. I worked with him at Michigan Meadows. My condolences to the family. He was such a nice man.

Denise Hofford - April 01, 2016 at 09:54 PM

CA

“ I remember when you worked on the police department with my dad, And when you and I sat on the village counsel together....Great memories of how we tried to change the world. You will be missed myfriend

Carol Aldis - April 01, 2016 at 09:40 PM

SS

“ Sorry for the Harris family loss of Uncle Jimmy, you will be missed. Stacy M Shinn



stacy m shinn - April 01, 2016 at 05:00 PM