



James E. Stager

November 10, 1949 - June 7, 2026

James Edward Stager, 76, of Port Huron, MI passed away peacefully after a short illness surrounded by his loving family on June 7, 2026. James was born November 10, 1949, in Port Huron, MI to Herbert and Virginia (Williams) Stager.

James was a devoted father, loving family man, a skilled craftsman and loyal friend whose kindness, strength, and sense of humor touched everyone who knew him. His greatest joy in life was spending time with his family, creating memories that will be treasured forever.

As an avid outdoorsman, James found peace and happiness in camping and casting a line into water. He appreciated the simple pleasures of nature and loved sharing them with those he cared about.

A talented craftsman, James took pride in working with his hands and creating things built to last. Whether repairing, building, or improving something, he approached every project with patience, skill, and attention to detail. His handiwork stands as a lasting reminder of the care he put into everything, he did.

He also had a lifelong passion for Mopar vehicles. He could often be found admiring classic cars, working on a project, or talking engines and horsepower with friends and family. His love for Mopar wasn't just a hobby – it was part of who he was.

Above all, James will be remembered for his generous heart, and the example he set as a father and grandfather. He taught those around him the value of hard work, loyalty, and enjoying life's adventures.

While we mourn his passing, we celebrate a life well lived – a life filled with hard work, adventure, craftsmanship, and love. His legacy will live on in the hearts of his family, around every campfire, beside every fishing hole, and every project he built with care and pride.

He is survived by his children , Tina Stager-Breismiester (Dale deceased), Herbert (Jennie) Stager, Shanda (Phil) Smallwood, Josh Cornwell, Rachelle (Jason) Gentner, Jamie (Dale) Stager; 13 grandchildren Nathan, Bethany, Cody, Samantha, Trevor, Tylor, Austin, Hailey, Hannah, Tylor, Charles, Chloe, Aiden, along with multiple bonus grandchildren and 20 great grandchildren; siblings, Evelyn (Tom deceased) Stager-Macpherson, Rosemary Stager-Herron, Shirley (James) Redfield, Ronald (Pauline) Stager, Steven (Synde) Stager, Thomas Stager, Janet (Chuck) Smith, Cindy (Russ) Wright, and Jeffery (Lisa) Stager.

James is preceded in death by his great grandchildren Colson and Marceline; son-in-laws Dale, Ralph; brother Richard and his parents Herbert and Virginia (Williams) Stager.

In accordance with his wishes, cremation has taken place.

Jowett Funeral Home is privileged to serve the Stager Family.

Don't Cry for Me

Don't cry for me for now I have died,
for I am still here I am by your side.

My body is gone but my soul is here,
please don't shed another tear.

I am still here; I am all around.

I am the sun, bringing you light.

I am the star, shining so bright.

I am the rain, refreshing the earth.

I am the bird, up in the sky.

I am the cloud, that's drifting by.

Every time you think of me,
my heart still fills with pride.

Services are private.

Arrangements in care of Jowett Funeral Home- Port Huron.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Andrea kowalski purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James E. Stager.*



Andrea kowalski - 15 minutes ago

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“ *Andrea kowalski planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James E. Stager.*

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