



James "Jim" N. Patrenets

December 12, 1947 - April 27, 2022

James "Jim" Norbert Patrenets, 74, of Rosendale (more recently Fond Du Lac), passed away Wednesday, April 27th 2022.

Jim was born on December 12, 1947 in Racine, WI, to Norbert Patrenets and Florence Patrenets (Myers), the oldest of four children. Jim graduated from Racine's Horlick High School in 1966 and then enlisted in the Navy, which sparked his love for travel. Jim left the Navy in 1970 (rank FTG3). After leaving the Navy, Jim began work at Wisconsin Bell in 1971, where he was a stalwart employee in the field, primarily as a lineman, for over 40 years.

Outside of work during this time, Jim's passion was touring the country on his motorcycles. He traveled over 150,000 miles, visiting all 50 states as well as Canada and Nova Scotia. He was an active member of the Gold Wing Road Riders Association (GWRRA) for many years. After retiring, Jim's wanderlust was mollified through volunteering with the American Red Cross, traveling the country to support disaster relief efforts. Later in life, Jim's enjoyment came from his permanent site at Grand Valley Campground and by cruising - taking multiple trips throughout the Caribbean as well as Alaska and Europe.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents and brothers Joseph and John.

Jim is survived by his sons Tom, Brian (Julie) and Kevin (Heather); grandchildren Nick, Christian, Elliot, Brennan, Kaylee, Pierson, Grady and Brielle; great grandchildren Lucas, Ethan, Adrian and Kaiden; former wives Deborah and Bonnie; sister Sharon; sisters in law Kristine and Jean; nieces and nephews Tammy, Bill, Alan, Michael and Melissa.

VISITATION: The family will greet friends from 2:00 – 4:00 PM on Saturday, May 7, 2022 at Kurki Funeral Chapel & Crematory, 31 E. Division St., Fond du Lac.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 7. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Patrenets Family,

On behalf of the American Red Cross, please accept my sincere condolences on the passing of Jim. We are truly sorry for your loss and will forever be grateful for his his work serving as a Disaster Team member helping others in their time of need.

Take care,

*Steve Hansen
American Red Cross Executive*

Steve Hansen - May 09, 2022 at 07:49 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of James "Jim" N. Patrenets.*



May 06, 2022 at 04:21 PM

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“ *With sympathy and love, Jean Patrenets purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of James "Jim" N. Patrenets.*



With sympathy and love, Jean Patrenets - May 05, 2022 at 08:55 AM

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“ We had such a great time seeing Chicago on Broadway when Uncle Jim was volunteering in NYC after Hurricane Sandy. I made him oatmeal raisin cookies only to find out he hates raisins! haha



Jessica - May 03, 2022 at 12:24 PM