



James "Jim" R. Goudy

March 12, 1928 - October 18, 2015

James "Jim" R. Goudy, 87, passed away peacefully on Sunday, October 18, 2015, at Woodlands Senior Park, following a battle with cancer and heart failure. He was born on March 12, 1928 to Ruth and Murray Goudy. He spent most of his growing up years in the farmlands west of Fond du Lac. He graduated from L.P. Goodrich High School in 1946. He boxed at the YMCA and was at one time the Wisconsin State Golden Gloves Champion in his division. The military was always an important part of Jim's life. He enlisted in the army in 1946 and served during the Korean Conflict, with two tours of duty, receiving two Purple Hearts and the Bronze Star for Valor. After serving for nine years, he left the service to care for his parents and nephews. He always felt a special allegiance and brotherhood to all veterans, knowing "freedom is not free" and totally supporting and respecting the men and women serving our country. After he was honorably discharged from the United States Army, as a master sergeant, he sold real estate for many years, working for Nehls Real Estate and then later formed his own business, Goudy Real Estate. Until the time of his death, he retained his brokerage license and was currently in the process of going to school at Moraine Park to renew it. In 1953, he purchased Trails End Lodge on Circle Lilly Lake in Manitowish Waters. It was there that he enjoyed many years hunting and fishing with his family and friends, and making new friendships. Many good times and memories were made at the lake in the north woods. It will always be "Uncle Jim's" to his family. Jim was a man of honor, always there for others and true to his word.

He will be missed. We know the Lord's peace is with you Jim and we will see you again someday! He is survived by Gus, his beloved cat; dear friends: Jon and Dawn Kuechenberg and daughters, Taylor and Lexi, whom made him a part of their family; a sister-in-law, Nancy Gibson of North Fond du Lac; many nieces and nephews: Brian (Kathy) Skupas, Tony Skupas, Mary (Jim) Olig, Vicky (John) Huck, Jeff (Becky) Gibson, Scott Gibson, Tricia (Terry) Holz, Keran (Don) Walkowicz, Sheran Parkhurst, Jim (Lori) Gibson, Joey Gibson, Bridie Goudy; and many great-nieces and great-nephews who loved Uncle Jim dearly. He is further survived by cousins and good friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters: Mary Jane Goudy and Norma (Ed) Skupas; five brothers: Glen (Gloria) Gibson, Lloyd (Irene) Goudy, Robert Goudy, John Gibson, and Donald Gibson; a niece, Judy Skupas; and a nephew, Mike Parkhurst. The visitation will be from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 24, 2015, at Kurki-Mach Funeral Chapel & Crematory, 31 East Division Street, Fond du Lac. A brief service will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday at Kurki-Mach Funeral Chapel & Crematory. Burial will follow in Rogersville Cemetery with military rites to be conducted by the American Legion Trier-Puddy Post #75. Memorials may be directed to Old Glory Honor Flight, PO Box 482, Menasha, WI 54592. We want to give special thanks to his friends, Sam and Sue Hendrickson, who made his stay at Woodlands possible, as well as their excellent and caring staff. Also, thank you to Dr. Vanderkooy and the staff at Agnesian Cancer Center, who gave him hope and friendship. Thank you to Dr. Steiner for his years of care. Thank you to Agnesian Hospice Hope for their care and concern for Jim and for all of us who were with him in his final days.

Tribute Wall



“ I had not been able to visit Jim for a number of years, but considered him a good friend. I fished Circle Lily with both John and Jim. I often used the cottage on the lake. Go with God my friend. I know John ,for one, will be happy to see you.

October 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ I was not able to see or visit with Jim for quite some time but I considered him a good fiend. I fished Circle Lilly with him and/or John many times. Go with God my friend. I know that John for one will be there to greet you.

Lydell Newby - October 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ RIP Uncle Jimmy...You were a wonderful man.

Caryl Rautenberg - October 27, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Cousin Jimmy's memory gives me peace and comfort, although I will miss the thought of him and his warm humor every day of the rest of my life. For all those who love him, may you find that peace and that comfort, too.

Cathie Elias - October 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Honored to know Jim. Many wonderful family memories. Love, Bruce & Patti

Bruce - October 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ he was Jimbo to me and my family, remember going over to his house to visit him and "Grandma Gibson". They were not blood relatives but very close and good friends. spent many summers up north in Manitowish waters on circle Lily Lake , Jimbo taking us to the dump to watch the bears and down to the bar to look for the white deer. he was especially close to my sister and her son Trent. He loved his cat and always said call before you come as I might not hear the doorbell. Loved to have people visit and loved his country. We will miss you Jimbo.

Linda Trent - October 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear Vickie and family, I know how special your Uncle Jim was to all of you, and how much he will be missed. My heartfelt condolences to all of you. *Patty Scharschmidt Klaetsch*

Patty Scharschmidt Klaetsch - October 22, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Jim was a true gentleman. RIP*

Richard and Linda Kimpel - October 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ *God bless you Uncle Jim. I already miss our phone conversations. Always in my heart; you are my hero.*

Berty Goudy - October 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM