



## James D. Bernshausen

April 20, 1928 - November 17, 2019

James D. Bernshausen, 91, of Manito passed away on Sunday, November 17, 2019 at 12:05 AM at his home. He was born April 20, 1928 in Pekin to Lester and Matilda Lucas Bernshausen. On September 10, 1950 in Pekin he married Helen Crawford, who preceded him in death on January 5, 2016.

James is survived by his children; Janet Sue Evelsizer of Peoria Heights, Larry (Sherri) Bernshausen of Manito, J. David (Jeanie) Bernshausen of Manito, John (Deb) Bernshausen of Manito and Roger Bernshausen of Marquette Heights, 12 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, and his sister, Shirley Thomas of Osage Beach, MO. He was preceded in death by his wife, Helen, parents, sister, Betty Springborn, son-in-law, Paul Evelsizer, and grandson Joshua D. Bernshausen.

Jim started his work carrier owning and operating Bernshausen Implement Co from 1950 until 1986. He sold Allis Chalmers tractors and equipment and was known in the community as "Honest Jim". He also built the Jim's Car Wash, The Manito Self Storage Units and Meaner Cylinder Bars. He retired in 1996. He was active in community affairs including the boy scouts, serving on the Manito village town board from 1968-1976; was a charter member of the Manito-Forest City Optimist Club and served as its president for two years; active with the Mason Co. Civic Authority, the Manito Fire Dept., and the Forman Center and Park District. He was also a member of the Community

United Methodist Church. Jim also served with the National Guard from 1946-1950. Some of his side interests included hunting, fishing, bowling, boating at the Lake of the Ozarks and teaching many to ski. He also designed a trailer used many years by the Popcorn Festival and was their Grand Marshall one year. His greatest accomplishment was being a husband, dad, and grandfather.

Visitation for Jim will be held on Wednesday, November 20, 2019 from 4-7 PM at the Community United Methodist Church in Manito. An additional visitation will be held one hour prior to services at the church Thursday, November 21, 2019 from 9:30 until the time of service at 10:30 A.M. Pastor Steve Oaks will officiate. Burial will be at Meadow Lawn Cemetery in Manito, IL. Memorial contributions may be made to Community United Methodist Church. To leave an online condolence go to [www.hurleyfh.com](http://www.hurleyfh.com). Maas-Hurley Funeral Home Manito is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery Details

## Meadow Lawn Cemetery

801 E. Meadow Lawn St.  
Manito, IL 61546

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **20**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Manito Community Methodist Church - Manito  
109 S. Washington  
Manito, IL 61546  
(309) 968-6226

## Visitation

NOV **21**. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *James D. Bernshausen*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *RIP Mr. Bernshausen*



Suzanne Stephens - November 26, 2019 at 04:01 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Honest Jim's Girls Bowling Team*



Darlene Brandt - November 21, 2019 at 08:44 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Honest Jim,s Bowling Team*



Darlene Brandt - November 21, 2019 at 08:35 PM

DB

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Darlene Brandt - November 21, 2019 at 08:20 PM

DB

“ Sending my condolences to the Jim Bernhausen family. I have wonderful memories of Jim & Helen over many years. I was so fortunate to be invited to bowl on Honest Jims Bowling Team with some very very good friends and what fun we had. Was so very sorry when we lost Helen and now feeling the same of losing our fun wonderful Jim. I will never forget how lucky I was to be a friend of this wonderful family. Love to you all. Darlene Brandt

Darlene Brandt - November 21, 2019 at 03:46 PM

JS

“ Jerry & Jackie Schier lit a candle in memory of James D. Bernshausen



Jerry & Jackie Schier - November 21, 2019 at 05:53 AM



“ Mary Hundt lit a candle in memory of James D. Bernshausen



Mary Hundt - November 19, 2019 at 09:41 PM

AL

“ Jim was always a friend and thinking of him brings back many happy memories. From working together at the Optimist pool to fun at Lake of the Ozarks. Also the paddle wheel boat entry on the Illinois River at Peoria he helped local teenagers build. Manito benefited greatly from his efforts. He will be missed.

*Al Limback*

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**Al Limback** - November 19, 2019 at 11:48 AM

LI

“ you have our sympathy Lloyd and Nancy Ingersoll

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**Lloyd Ingersoll** - November 19, 2019 at 11:06 AM

JM

“ Sending love and hugs to the family. Gary and I loved Jimmy we will miss him so much. Enchanted Isle will never be the same with him not there. We hope you find peace in your hearts at this very sad time in your lives. Prayers and thoughts are with all of you.

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**Joann Moziak** - November 19, 2019 at 10:19 AM

TG

“ Rest In Peace Jim  
Morgan , Parker , Nathan Bernshausen  
David &Tami Ghidina



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**Tami Ghidina** - November 19, 2019 at 08:47 AM

KB

“ *Bernshausen Family-  
Sorry to hear of Mr. Bernshausen passing.  
May you all find comfort thru family & friends  
during this difficult road you must journey  
down. I have many fond memories of Jim &  
Helen the short time we've lived in the Manito area. Prayers to you  
all & God's speed.....*



*Jim & Karen Bowman*

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**Karen Bowman** - November 19, 2019 at 07:59 AM

SS

“ *Steve And Kim Singley lit a candle in memory  
of James D. Bernshausen*



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**Steve and Kim Singley** - November 18, 2019 at 09:27 PM

DJ

“ *Dan & Jenny lit a candle in memory of James  
D. Bernshausen*



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**Dan & Jenny** - November 18, 2019 at 08:04 PM