



James D. Otto

December 8, 1958 - March 16, 2019

James D. Otto, 68, of Havana, passed away at his home at 1:32 a.m. on Saturday, March 16, 2019. He was born December 8, 1950, in Springfield, IL, to Fred and Edna Otto. He married Linda Johnson on October 6, 1972 in Havana.

James is survived by his wife, Linda, of Havana; one son, James E. (Barb) Otto of Havana and one daughter, Amanda (Edward) VanEtten of Armington; as well as four grandchildren: Elizabeth, David, Ruth and Natalie; six sisters: Wanda Rouse, Nancy Hallmark, Doris Johnson and Sheilah Jones, all of Havana, Mary Henderson of Morton and Karen (Jim) Dyas of Springfield; three brothers, Frank (Colleen) Otto of Lewistown, William Otto of Havana and Rick Otto of Springfield. He was preceded in death by his parents, and three brothers: Johnny, Donald and Scotty Otto.

James served in the US Army during the Vietnam War. He was a lifetime member of VFW Post #6408 in Havana. He loved to fish, mushroom hunt, cut firewood and watch Westerns. He was a fun-loving and likable guy who loved spending time with his family. He enjoyed entertaining his family with his "Donald Duck" voice and teaching his grandchildren to do the same. He retired after 34 years of work at National Standard, Walker Forge, and McLean Forge in Havana.

Funeral services will be held at Hurley Funeral Home in Havana at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 2019, with visitation for two hours prior to the services. Rev. Abraham Mogerman will officiate. Burial will follow the services at Bethel Cemetery, near Chandlerville.

Memorial contributions may be made to James' family to assist with his granddaughter Natalie's medical expenses. Online memorial messages may be left for the family at www.hurleyfh.com.

Hurley Funeral Home in Havana is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Bethel Cemetery

11500 ECR 320N
Chandlerville, IL 62627

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 20. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Hurley Funeral Home - Havana
217 North Plum Street
P.O. Box #648
Havana, IL 62644
(309) 543-2244
<https://www.hurleyfh.com/>

Funeral

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Tribute Wall



“ *James D. Otto*

October 12, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ *James helped us on our farm for several years. He was dependable and had a great work ethic . We will always remember his kind heart and ready smile. Please know we are thinking of you praying you will find peace.*

Jay and Sherry Siegrist

Jay and Sherry Siegrist - March 21, 2019 at 06:37 PM



“ *C Hunter lit a candle in memory of James D. Otto*



C Hunter - March 20, 2019 at 03:46 PM



“ *Vickie Cluney lit a candle in memory of James D. Otto*



Vickie Cluney - March 20, 2019 at 12:26 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of James D. Otto.*



March 19, 2019 at 04:23 PM



“ *KIM RUSSELL lit a candle in memory of James D. Otto*



KIM RUSSELL - March 19, 2019 at 09:37 AM



“ *Craig Schaeffer lit a candle in memory of James D. Otto*



Craig Schaeffer - March 18, 2019 at 10:27 PM



“ *Debra June Smith lit a candle in memory of James D. Otto*



Debra June Smith - March 18, 2019 at 08:50 PM

GF

“ Linda, we were so sorry to hear about your husband, sending thoughts & prayers to you and your family.

Gitana Fletcher - March 18, 2019 at 02:16 PM

DS

“ So sorry for your loss Linda. Prayers for you and your family.

Debra Savage - March 18, 2019 at 01:16 PM

DW

“ Sorry for your loss Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family



Dan and Chris Wilson - March 18, 2019 at 09:00 AM

RD

“ Sorry for your lose. I have known James for years. Loosing my wife to cancer years ago. I know what you are going through. It is hard ,, but I found out this is the time you need god for strength. Love you all . I will pray for the family

rdv0294 - March 17, 2019 at 12:04 PM

CL

“ So sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers to Linda and family.



Catherine LeRoy - March 17, 2019 at 11:12 AM

PB

“ *Pauline Bailey lit a candle in memory of James D. Otto*



Pauline Bailey - March 16, 2019 at 10:18 PM

DW

“ *Sorry for your loss Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your.*



Dan and Chris Wilson - March 16, 2019 at 09:50 PM

IL

“ *So sorry for the loss of your Husband,father,grandpa. I will awllys have happy memories of uncle Wacker (james). May God take the sadness and let you learn on him during this difficult time. RIP UNCLE I LOVE YOU AND WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER YOUR LAUGH...*

Illa - March 16, 2019 at 09:36 PM

NB

“ *So sorry for your loss of James. Our thoughts & prayers are with your family.
Gary & Nancy Blakely*

Nancy Blakely - March 16, 2019 at 09:27 PM

LT

“ Sorry for your family's loss! Sincere condolences, ❤️ Roger & Lisa Thompson

Lisa Jill Ulrich Thompson - March 16, 2019 at 06:39 PM

LC

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Linda, Amanda and James families.



Lanette Crum - March 16, 2019 at 06:32 PM