



James "Jim" Allen Eakin

July 3, 1941 - January 16, 2020

James "Jim" Allen Eakin passed away peacefully on January 16, 2020 at The Palms in Sebring, Florida.

He was born to Othel and Mary Alice Reed Eakin on July 3, 1941 in Atkins, Arkansas.

He lived most of his life in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. He became a resident of Avon Park, Florida in 2019. Jim married Michelle Armstrong on December 20, 1999.

He was owner, operator and barber for 20 years of Campus Barber Shop. It later became Campus Auto and Tire, which he owned and operated until he retired in 2012.

After retiring Jim loved to travel with his wife Michelle and settled in Avon Park. He was an avid golfer, loved riding his motorcycle, playing cards, and spending time with family and friends.

Jim had a great sense of humor and touched the hearts of everyone he met. He will be truly missed but never forgotten by those who knew him.

He was a member of Cape Jaycees, Lynwood Baptist Church and Cape Elks

Lodge #639.

He leaves behind his best friend and devoted wife of 20 years, Michelle; son, Chris Eakin; daughters, Dr. Lori Nesslein and Casey Rouggy; seven grandchildren, Tyler, Krisman, Kaylee, Brynn, Mason, Miles and Collyn; and their two dogs: Trixie and Boscoe; brothers, Dr. Kenneth "Max" Eakin (Linda), Terry Eakin; sister, Sandy Benefield (Bob); aunt, Francis; and cousins, nieces and nephews.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents; sisters, Cleo Burton and Betty Rampley; his first wife, Brenda.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, January 22, 2020 from 4-8 P.M. Elks service is at 7:00 P.M. Funeral service will be Thursday, January 23, 2020 at 11:00 A.M at Ford & Sons Mount Auburn Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers the family asks for donations made to a charity of your choice in Jim's name.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 22. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Elks Service

JAN 22. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Service

JAN 23. 11:00 AM (CT)

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701
(573) 334-1313
info@fordandsonsfuneralhome.com
<https://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com/>

Tribute Wall

SO

“ Michelle and family,

I am so sad and sorry to hear of Jim's passing. Please know you will be in my thoughts and prayers during this very difficult time.



Susie O'Connell - January 29, 2020 at 08:12 PM

BL

“ *Loved this dear Man and his children. Jim was definitely bigger than life and he lived life on his own terms. Thank you, Jim for giving my sister, Michelle, the happiest days of her life! RIP dear Brother in Law!*

Beth & Jim Landry - January 29, 2020 at 12:47 PM

BB

“ Michelle, Chris & Lori,

I am sorry i missed Jim's funeral; we were on a trip last week. I have many happy memories with Eakey - golf, gin rummy @ Campus and just being one many Jim's friends. Jim gave me one of my nicknames - Bayruffus, and I will never forget when he spelled it for the hostess at a Hattiesburg restaurant for our reservation.

The obituary picture is exactly how I will remember Jim; always smiling and having a great time!

Bill Bishop

BILL BISHOP - January 27, 2020 at 01:00 PM

LS

“ So many great memories and millions laughs with Jim and Michelle. So many of them when we all rode together with the H.O.G Group. Jim you were one of a kind and will forever be in my heart. Much love and prayers for Peace and comfort to each of you as you celebrate Jim's legacy of life.
He sure knew how to live it !!❤️🙏🙏

Lisa Sparkman - January 22, 2020 at 02:25 PM

RE

“ We will never forget the humor, thoughtfulness and generosity of this man. Our sympathy goes out to you, Michelle, and all those who loved him. His big presence will be sorely missed by many.
Bruce and Reta

Reta - January 22, 2020 at 10:28 AM

DJ

“ Helga and I shared many a good time with Jim. Always admired Jim with his honest and straight forward approach. Our sincere condolences to his family and friends. Rest In Peace Jim !! Don & Helga Johnson

Don & Helga Johnson - January 22, 2020 at 09:27 AM

FF

“ From Sonny ,Barb and the Minor family purchased the Pretty Please for the family of James "Jim" Allen Eakin.



From Sonny ,Barb and the Minor family - January 21, 2020 at 09:14 AM

MH

“ One Christmas Eve, back in the 70s, Jim got out Lori's doll house and lo and behold, it was a kit that needed to be put together. While Brenda & I looked on, Jim and Mitchell laughed and puzzled about how to make it work until the wee hours, but Lori was happy and surprised the next morning!

Mary Hart - January 20, 2020 at 04:51 PM

CM

“ We are sorry for loss we had great times on camping trips and many trips .
We will miss the big guy ..
Sonny and Barb

Charles Minor - January 19, 2020 at 07:19 AM