



James L. Stouder

March 12, 1939 - August 7, 2023

James L. Stouder, 84, of rural Warsaw, Indiana passed at 8:10 pm, Monday, Aug. 7, 2023 at Lutheran Kosciusko Hospital of Warsaw, Indiana.

Jim was born on March 12, 1939 in Etna Green, Indiana to the late Clarence and Bertha (Metzler) Stouder. He married on Nov. 27, 1960 in Winona Lake, Indiana to Serita R. Julian, she survives.

He was a 1958 graduate of Etna Green High School. He played for the 26-1 Etna Green Cubs, who won the County Tournament and went to the Regional. He made several tournament and county teams. He was inducted to the Kosciusko County Basketball Hall of Fame in 2016.

Jim had been a carpenter at Pike Lumber Company of Akron, operating heavy equipment and maintenance. He retired after 23 years with the company. In years past he played golf, softball, and coached for many years. He also served as president of Warsaw Square Dance Club. He had attended the Walnut Creek United Methodist Church of Warsaw. He loved his family and enjoyed making people laugh. He never met a stranger.

He is survived by his wife Serita Stouder of Warsaw; daughter Aimee and husband Randy Nellans of Rochester; sons Troy Stouder of Warsaw and Kent and wife Jennifer Stouder of Warsaw; grandchildren Eric, Tyler, Rachael,

Nolan, and Emily; 5 Great Grandchildren; a sister Gloria Stackhouse of Virginia; and brother Richard Stouder of Nappanee.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, 6 Brothers, and 2 Sisters.

The funeral service will take place at 12:00 noon, Saturday, Aug. 12, 2023 at King Memorial Home 101 North Tucker Street Mentone, Indiana with Pastor Stacy Downing officiating.

A private interment will be in the Etna Green Cemetery, Etna Green, Indiana.

Visitation hours will be from 10 am to 12:00 noon, Saturday, Aug. 12, 2023 at King Memorial Home, Mentone, Indiana.

Memorial contributions can be made in his memory to the Walnut Creek United Methodist Church 2033 South 150 West Warsaw, IN 46580.

Cemetery Details

Etna Green Cemtery

High Street
Etna Green, IN

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 12. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

King Memorial Home
101 North Tucker Street
P.O. Box 56
Mentone, IN 46539
(574) 353-7975
info@hartzlerfuneralservices.com
<https://www.hartzlerfuneralservices.com>

Funeral Service

AUG 12. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Hartzler Funeral Services created a Tribute Video in memory of James L. Stouder



Hartzler Funeral Services - August 11, 2023 at 05:36 PM

SW

“ Dear Serita,

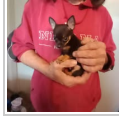
Lyle and I always enjoyed visiting with you and Jim over the years. I think the last time we saw you was at Owens when we were both shopping--spent more time talking with you than shopping! At that time Jim had been through a lot with heart issues, but still so cheerful. Since you were married in the Free Methodist Church I guess we still thought of you as "one of ours."

How blessed we are to know our husbands are whole in body and mind safe in Heaven with our Lord and Savior.

My love to you with prayers as you begin a different journey, but with the peace and strength God gives day by day.

Hugs, Shirley Williams

Shirley Williams - August 16, 2023 at 09:03 AM



Thank you Shirley. Your post means a lot to me. We always enjoyed Sunday school with you and Lyle. Both of you were wonderful examples of Christian love. You are in my prayers.

Serita Stouder - August 17, 2023 at 09:12 AM

JS

“ Few people understand or are as lucky as I to have had not just one, but two father figures in their lives; One being my own father and the other my father-in-law. Thank you too Jim for leaving me with a wonderful husband, Kent, for which you instilled many great gifts/beliefs in life. So you know, the next big rain storm with thundering noise, I will think of you as I believe it will be you in your healthiest of days playing some sort of ball with all your brothers in heaven. Much Love, Jennifer.



Jennifer Stouder - August 15, 2023 at 01:13 PM



Jen what a beautiful tribute. Thank you. Jim loved you and so do I. We always felt blessed to have you in our family. Hugs & Kisses

Serita Stouder - August 17, 2023 at 09:15 AM

JS

“ Jennifer S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James L. Stouder.

Jennifer S. - August 15, 2023 at 11:18 AM

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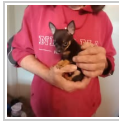
“ Few people in this world are lucky to have not one, but two father figures in their lives; One being my own father and the other being my father-in-law, Jim. Thank you for the wonderful man that you raised and left me with as my husband (Kent). Please know that with each new rain/thunderstorm that rolls across the sky, I know that those thunderous sounds will be you playing basketball with your brothers in heaven. Much Love; Jennifer.

Jennifer Stouder - August 15, 2023 at 10:56 AM

VB

“ Stouder Family, so sorry for your loss. I remember Jim watching my sons (Damon & Noah) at Boggs Baseball Field while his sons Troy and Kent coached. Prayers for you all.

Vicky Burns - August 14, 2023 at 03:29 PM

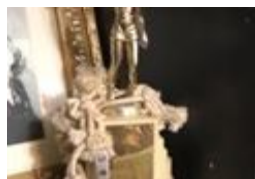


Thank you for your post it means a lot. . I remember your boys and they were good ball players. Troy and Kent enjoyed coaching them.

Serita Stouder - August 17, 2023 at 09:21 AM



“ 24 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hartzler Funeral Services - August 11, 2023 at 05:36 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of James L. Stouder.*



August 11, 2023 at 08:46 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James L. Stouder.

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“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of James L. Stouder.*



August 11, 2023 at 08:14 AM



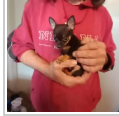
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August 11, 2023 at 08:14 AM



“ *A beautiful memory, dearer than gold, Of a father whose worth can never be told, There's a place in my heart no one can fill, I miss you, Dad, and always will.
Love your Daughter*

Aimee Nellans - August 10, 2023 at 08:19 PM



A beautiful tribute Aimee. Dad loved you very much and so do I.

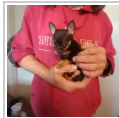
Serita Stouder - August 17, 2023 at 09:07 AM

DB

“ *David Burgess lit a candle in memory of James L. Stouder*



David Burgess - August 10, 2023 at 01:15 PM



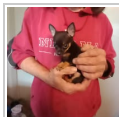
Dave thank you for the lit candle. Troy and I both appreciate your thoughtfulness and kindness. Troy lives at home and if you are in this area stop in and visit.

Serita Stouder - August 17, 2023 at 09:25 AM

GP

“ *Stouder family and friends: So sorry for your loss. Always enjoyed talking to Jim whenever we ran into each other. Always enjoyed competing against or playing with him in the Warsaw fast pitch league. He will be missed by all that knew him.*

George Parrett - August 10, 2023 at 11:37 AM



Thank you for your post and kindness. I'm sure Jim felt the same way about you. Our son, Troy, remembers you and liked you.

Serita Stouder - August 17, 2023 at 09:30 AM



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Hartzler Funeral Services - August 10, 2023 at 08:03 AM