



James H. "Jim" Kuhner

October 23, 1934 - May 26, 2016

James H. "Jim" Kuhner, age 81 of Highland, IL, died Thursday, May 26, 2016, at Highland Health Care Center in Highland, IL.

He was born on Tuesday, October 23, 1934, in Highland, IL, the son of Howard F. and Irene L. (nee Hotz) Kuhner.

On Saturday, June 16, 1956, he married Darlene Jean (nee Pruitt) Kuhner at St. Paul Catholic Church in Highland, IL. She survives.

He was a member of Highland Hope United Methodist Church and O.W.L.S. of Highland Hope United Methodist Church. He was a former member of St. Paul Catholic Church; former member of Highland Jaycee's; former member of Knights of Columbus Council #1510 (Past Grand Knight); former member of Knight of Columbus Fourth Degree.

Jim was born and grew up in Highland, IL. He was a graduate of St. Paul High School, Class of 1952. He attended college and worked for his grandparents at Kuhner Sealtest Dairy. He as a salesman for General Cable, Famous Barr, Basler Electric, Todd Uniform and American Family. In his retirement, he worked at Highland Home for 12 years. He lived in Hamilton, IL from 1976 to 1981. When he was younger, he took care of his invalid father. He enjoyed making stained glass, family camping, and large family gatherings. He was an

avid St. Louis Cardinals baseball fan.

Survivors include:

Wife - Darlene J. Kuhner nee Pruitt, Highland, IL

Daughter - Cheryl Ann (John) Denson, Highland, IL

Son - Michael J. (Peggy) Kuhner, Waltonville, IL

Daughter - Jeana M. (Larry) Beard, Hamilton, IL

Son - Jay E. (Kim) Kuhner, Highland, IL

Daughter - Karen K. (Dan) Ruedinger, Lonsdale, MN

Daughter - Kelly K. (Fiance Bill Marlow) Forney (Twin of Kerry), Lebanon, IL

Daughter - Kerry F. (Brad) Wheeler - (Twin of Kelly), Highland, IL

Grandchild - April (James) Haller

Grandchild - Tonya (Keith) Carter

Grandchild - Dale Gardner, Jr.

Grandchild - Amanda (Andrew) Lynch

Grandchild - Christopher (Jessica Stroud) Kuhner

Grandchild - Eric (Kaley) McNeill

Grandchild - Jason McNeill

Grandchild - Tiffany Kuhner

Grandchild - Taylor Kuhner

Grandchild - Bryce Kuhner

Grandchild - Jenna Kuhner

Grandchild - Meghan Trowbridge

Grandchild - Allison Norbeck

Grandchild - Austin (Katrina) Trowbridge

Grandchild - Brock Forney

Grandchild - Alyssa Forney

Grandchild - Sean Wheeler

Grandchild - Morgan Wheeler

Grandchild - Justin Wheeler

Great Grandchild - Sabrina Haller

Great Grandchild - Samantha Haller
Great Grandchild - Hunter Haller
Great Grandchild - Sofie Poge
Great Grandchild - Gage Poge
Great Grandchild - Goldie Carter
Great Grandchild - Montana Carter
Great Grandchild - Lucas Gardner
Great Grandchild - Blaine Gardner
Great Grandchild - Hayden Lynch
Great Grandchild - Brylee Kuhner
Great Grandchild - Gabriella Kuhner
Great Grandchild - Madison Norbeck
Great Grandchild - Dominic Lancaster
Great Grandchild - Mason White
Great Grandchild - Kyler Carroll
Great Grandchild - Kyson Landmann
Great Grandchild - Cody Trowbridge
Great Grandchild - Autumn Trowbridge

He was preceded in death by:

Father - Howard F. Kuhner (Died 4/19/1958)

Mother - Irene L. Kuhner nee Hotz (Died 4/22/1987)

Brother - Joseph Theodore Kuhner (as an infant)

Brother - Ronald J. Kuhner (Died 12/23/1993 at age 55)

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM on Tuesday, May 31, 2016, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL and from 8:00 AM to 10:00

AM on Wednesday, June 01, 2016, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, June 01, 2016, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL., with Rev. Dr. Beverly Wilkes Null, officiating.

Interment will be at Saint Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Highland Hope United Methodist Church; Heartland Hospice.

Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James H. "Jim" Kuhner.*



May 31, 2016 at 09:43 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss Kelly. Please know that you, Bill and the kids are in my thoughts and prayers*
Love you guys,
Karen Gilmore



karen Gilmore - May 27, 2016 at 10:32 PM



“ *Deepest sympathy to the Kuhner Family on their lost of their Father/Grandfather and friend. May God grant you peace and light Jim*

Kevin Ratermann - May 27, 2016 at 10:09 PM



“ *I had the honor of taking care of him at highland health care and meeting his family. He was one of a kind. The family are in my thoughts.*

Ashlie Shaw - May 27, 2016 at 09:24 PM