



James Oester

January 16, 1949 - May 6, 2011

James A. "Beak" Oester, age 62, of Amboy, died Friday May 6, 2011, at CGH Medical Center in Sterling following a courageous battle with cancer. He was born January 16, 1949 in Amboy, the son of Delmar and Leah (Holland) Oester. He worked for Commonwealth Edison for 32 years prior to retirement. He was also a lifelong farmer in the Walton area. He was a member of the Marion Twp. board. He married Colleen Finn at St. Mary's Church in Walton on September 11, 1971. He preceded in death by parents; one brother Richard Oester. He is survived by his wife of Amboy; one son Brian (Amy) Oester of Princeton; one daughter Stephanie (Jim) McLaughlin of Amboy; 4 grandchildren, Mitchell and Madelyn McLaughlin, Sophia and Jack Oester; 1 sister Mary (Dick) Payne Of Amboy. Prayer service will be held on Tuesday May 10, 2011 at 9:30 AM in the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy followed by graveside services at 10:00 A.M. in St. Patrick's Cemetery in Amboy with the Rev. Msgr. Thomas Bales officiating. Military Graveside Rites will follow by the Amboy American Legion. Visitation will be held on Monday, May 9, from 3:00 PM until 7:00 PM in the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy. A memorial has been established.

Tribute Wall



“ *James Oester*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *James Oester*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Regret I cannot be present to express my sympathy for one who fought hard, worked even harder, and should have enjoyed many more years ahead. Our thoughts are with Colleen, Brian, Stephanie.*

Dean Oester - May 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *Brian,*

I was saddened to hear of Dad's passing. Know that I will keep you and your family in my prayers.

Randy

Randy Winbigler - May 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TL

“ My deepest sympathies and prayers to the family. Most of my memories of Jim are of often being scolded, with Stephanie ALWAYS by my side, for getting into some kind of trouble. Although he was usually giving us the evil eye and shaking his head at us, I know that he loved us and would have done anything for both of us. Once he became a grandpa, I saw a different side of him. He loved his grandkids. As a matter of fact, I had never seen him smile so much. Those of you who know my dad and Jim know that getting them to smile was not an easy thing to do. I am sad that I didn't get to see more of that side of him. I know that he will be greatly missed by many!! Again, I am sorry for your loss and I hope that in time the hurt will heal.

Tina Lindenmeyer - May 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Jim and Stephanie, Sorry for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Mike and Deb Miller - May 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ You have our deepest sympathies. Your family is in our prayers.

Chuck Rhodenbaugh - May 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ I am so sorry to hear about Jim death. I was a co worker with Jim in Substation for ComEd. I came in as a hleper and B Mechanic, and Jim helped me out by showing me the trade. He was a great mechanic and a great friend and will be dearly missed.

Tom Fisk - May 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ We are all very sorry to hear about Jim's death. You are in our thoughts and prayers. God Bless all of you With love, the Murray clan

Marcella Murray Coots - May 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ Please accept our condolence.

Michele Egan - May 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BU

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. I remember several nights a bunch of us girls would stay overnight at your parents house and keeping your dad awake most of the time. Thinking and praying for you and your family.

Brandie Uselman - May 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM