



## James Edward Powers

February 4, 1930 - December 25, 2016

James E. Powers, age 86, of Amboy, died Sunday December 25, 2016, at Aperia Care in Amboy. He was born February 4, 1930, in Amboy, the son of Edward Leroy and Rosemary (Sharkey) Powers.

Jim was a Self-Employed Painter, and had also worked at the First National Bank in Amboy.

He was a Veteran of the Army during the Korean War.

Jim was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy, the Amboy Clipper Backers, the Lee County 911 Board, the Amboy American Legion Post 453, and was a lifetime member of the Amboy Fire Department.

He married Elaine Stephenitch in Amboy September 5, 1955. She preceded him in death February 2, 2010. He was also preceded in death by 1 son Martin Powers; 1 daughter Linda Riley; 4 sisters Rosemary Phelps, Betty Jahn, Mary Catherine Hawkins, and Rita Wilson; 2 brothers Francis "Bud" Powers and Jackie Powers.

Survivors include his children Diane Powers, Judith (Sam) Jones, Dean (Mandy) Powers, and Ann (Derrek) Barlow all of Amboy; 10 grandchildren Kaylee Jo Jones, Tyson Powers and Mallory Powers, Cameron Riley, Evan Riley, and Ashton Riley, Brandon Barlow, Carley Barlow, Brittany Barlow and Carson Barlow, all of Amboy; 3 great-grandchildren Brantley, Eva, and Myles Riley of Amboy; 1 brother Joseph (Elaine) Powers of Amboy; son-in-law Anthony Riley of Amboy; brother-in-law Otto (Lois) Stephenitch of Canton; sister-in-law Dorothy Koehler of Manchester, IA; several nieces and nephews.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Wednesday, December 28, 2016, at 10:30 AM in St. Patrick Catholic Church in Amboy, with the Rev. Timothy Draper, Pastor, officiating. Military rites to follow Mass by the Amboy American Legion. Cremation will follow with burial of cremains at a later date in St. Patrick Cemetery in Amboy. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, December 27, from 4:00 PM until 7:00 PM with the Rosary recited at 7:00, at Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy, and also on Wednesday, from 9:30 AM until 10:30 AM in the church. A memorial has been established.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Patrick Cemetery in Amboy

816 Rockyford Rd  
Amboy, IL 61310

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 27. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Mihm-Jones Funeral Home, Amboy  
303 East Main Street  
Amboy, IL 61310  
(815) 857-2611  
[info@thejonesfh.com](mailto:info@thejonesfh.com)  
<https://www.thejonesfh.com>

## Service

DEC 28. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St Patrick Catholic Church Amboy  
32 N Jones  
Amboy, IL 61310

# Tribute Wall



“ *James Edward Powers*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *James Edward Powers*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *My condolences to my lifelong friends and neighbors. I have many memories of your Dad. The one that stands out is when several of us including your Dad went to watch Greg King play a football game at Augustana. We went to dinner after the game and I didnt have enough money for a meal. Your Dad covered me and didn't say a word aloud about it. That was about 35 years ago and it's always stuck with me. It was an indication of your Dad's character and all I ever needed to know about him. That said it all. My condolences on your loss.*

**Tim Braida** - December 30, 2016 at 11:00 AM



“ *To the Best Dad ever! Love you always to the Moon and Back a thousands times!  
Love Judy, Sam & Kaylee*

**Judy** - December 29, 2016 at 01:39 PM

BD

“ My deepest condolences to all of you. Your father will forever be watching and protecting all of you from above. I know how much he loves and adores his family. Always kind, always loving and always looking to make everyone smile. I will forever remember him coming into the clinic with his beloved Linda Lou and the sparkle and love in his eyes whenever any mention of his family was made. He is free to dance and sing, once again, with your mother, sister and brother. Great man, Jim, and you will forever be missed and loved. My prayers and love to all.  
Barb Decker

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**Barbara Decker** - December 28, 2016 at 03:19 PM

GC

“ To the Powers family!

*Sending my condolences with the loss of your father. May you feel the comfort of our loving and caring God now and in the days that follow.*

*With sympathy,  
Gary Cater*

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**Gary Cater** - December 27, 2016 at 08:29 PM

AB

*Thank you so much.*

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**Ann Barlow** - December 28, 2016 at 07:24 PM

JP

“ Our prayers go out to your family we had a lot memories when my son Zach and Tyson played baseball together. Hugs and love to you all. Jan Perce Jeff Lehman



Jan Perce - December 27, 2016 at 07:33 PM

AB

Thank you so much

Ann Barlow - December 28, 2016 at 07:25 PM

RG

“ Ronda & Jerry Gehant

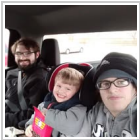


Ronda Gehant - December 27, 2016 at 05:44 PM

AB

Thank you so much

Ann Barlow - December 28, 2016 at 07:26 PM



“ Angela Berry lit a candle in memory of James Edward Powers



Angela Berry - December 27, 2016 at 12:14 PM

AB

*Thank you so much*

Ann Barlow - December 28, 2016 at 07:27 PM

ME

“ *Please accept our condolence.*” Michele Egan and Gregory Wilhelm

Michele Egan - December 27, 2016 at 11:10 AM

AB

*Thank you so much*

Ann Barlow - December 28, 2016 at 07:27 PM

ME

*You are very welcome.* Michele Egan

Michele Egan - January 17, 2017 at 12:10 AM

NP

“ *Punky and family, Jim was such a nice person, the Good Lord will be waiting for him at the Pearly Gates , our sympathies to you and your families.*” Nettie Poulos

Nettie and George Poulos - December 27, 2016 at 11:10 AM

KB

“ *Karen Blaine lit a candle in memory of James Edward Powers*”



Karen Blaine - December 27, 2016 at 08:18 AM

AB

*Thank you so much*

**Ann Barlow** - December 28, 2016 at 07:30 PM

PW

“ *Thanks uncle Jim for all my great childhood memories. Uncle Jim has passed from this life thru the gates of heaven. what a joy that he didn't suffer. love you uncle Jim Patsy*



**Patricia West** - December 27, 2016 at 07:32 AM

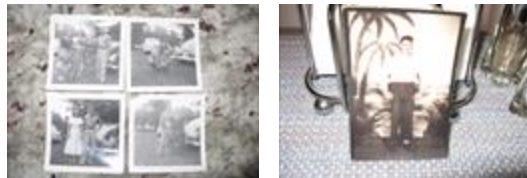
AB

*Thank you so much. Love all the pictures.*

**Ann Barlow** - December 28, 2016 at 07:31 PM

PW

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



**patricia west** - December 27, 2016 at 07:04 AM

PW

“ 3 files added to the album *New Album Name*



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**patricia west** - December 27, 2016 at 06:57 AM

HP

“ *Hauskins and Wilson family- Mary C. & Rita Powers purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Edward Powers.*



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**Hauskins and Wilson family- Mary C. & Rita Powers** -  
December 26, 2016 at 08:50 PM

JH

“ *Sincerest condolences offered to James family. A humble and sensitive man whos warmth could be felt by all those who came in contact with him. So glad our Families attended the 2016 family reunion to See Uncle Jim for the last time. You will, Jim, be sorely missed but fondly remembered by us all. William, Patricia, James and Connie (Children of Mary Catherine Powers and Gerald Wilson, Son of Rita A. Powers).*



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**James F. Hauskins** - December 26, 2016 at 08:11 PM

DE

*Our prayers are with you. The Eisenberg family.*

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**Diana Eisenberg** - December 27, 2016 at 03:29 PM

AB

*Thank you so much*

Ann Barlow - December 28, 2016 at 07:33 PM

DE

“ *Thoughts and prayers to Jim's Family*

*Dean J. Ege, Asst Fire Chief, Retired Mendota Fire Department*

Dean Ege - December 26, 2016 at 07:57 PM

AB

*Thank you so much*

Ann Barlow - December 28, 2016 at 07:35 PM

CR

“ *Carol Robison lit a candle in memory of James Edward Powers*



Carol Robison - December 26, 2016 at 06:50 PM

CR

“ *I will never forget the trips to Las Vegas with your parents. I sure loved hanging around with those two. Now he's with Mom, who he missed so much. Also, with Marty and Lou. Prayers and love to the whole family.*

Carol Robison - December 26, 2016 at 06:49 PM

AB

*Thank you so much*

Ann Barlow - December 28, 2016 at 07:35 PM

MB

“ Marilyn And Jim Braida lit a candle in memory of James Edward Powers



marilyn and jim braida - December 26, 2016 at 06:22 PM

AB

Thank you so much

Ann Barlow - December 28, 2016 at 07:38 PM

JB

“ I absolutley LOVED this man. I'm going to miss his laugh and sense of humor. I'm so saddened to hear about his passing but so glad he was able to see his family here on earth and in heaven. I can understand your pain but happy Linda, Marty and Elaine were there to greet him. HUGS!

Jenny Bumba - December 26, 2016 at 06:14 PM

AB

Thank you so much

Ann Barlow - December 28, 2016 at 07:39 PM

DS

“ Our condolences and prayers to the Powers family...your dad will be missed from the Amboj community.

Diane Stewart - December 26, 2016 at 05:46 PM

AB

Thank you so mich

Ann Barlow - December 28, 2016 at 07:40 PM



“ *What sweet memories I have of Jim from back in the Miss Flame era! Jim was the kindest of gentlemen with a wonderful heart! I could always count on a smile and a hug whenever I saw him! In fact, a smile just warmed my heart thinking of "the good ole days". Sending my hugs to each of you - may your memories fill your hearts!*



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**Jean Richmond** - December 26, 2016 at 05:30 PM

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*Thank you so much*

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**Ann Barlow** - December 28, 2016 at 07:37 PM

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*Thank you so much*

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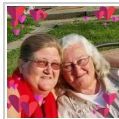
**Ann Barlow** - December 28, 2016 at 07:41 PM

KW

“ *I spent a lot of time at the Powers home growing up. We had so many laughs and good memories. That James E. was one of a kind, a great, great man. He leaves an amazing legacy and touched many lives, all in a positive way.*

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**kris welker** - December 26, 2016 at 05:13 PM



*Oh the memories. .so priceless!!!*

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**Pam Horner** - December 26, 2016 at 10:10 PM



“ *Powers Family. You father was an amazing soul- always making us laugh..... it always worked. I send my thoughts and prayers to all of you during this difficult time!*  
*Vickie Skowronski*

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**Vickie Skowronski** - December 26, 2016 at 04:39 PM

AB

*Thank you so much*

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**Ann Barlow** - December 28, 2016 at 07:44 PM

PD

“ *We are sorry for your loss. Jim will be greatly missed.*



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**Paul & Pam Davison** - December 26, 2016 at 03:52 PM

MB

“ *Jim was so good to my mom and she always would say Jim came to visit us today at the nursing home. He sure was a light to so many. He will sure be missed! Thank you Jim for being such a prince of a man and human being. He always made Rosemary Tubbs day to when she was alive and helped her many times with her projects for her home. We need more Jim Powers in this world he sure made it a better place to live! Margie Becker*

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**Margie Becker** - December 26, 2016 at 03:10 PM

Dana  
Crouse

“ *Dana Crouse lit a candle in memory of James Edward Powers*



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**Dana Crouse** - December 26, 2016 at 02:59 PM

MJ

“ *Maggie Jones lit a candle in memory of James Edward Powers*



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**Maggie Jones** - December 26, 2016 at 02:38 PM

KA

“ *Kevin Ail lit a candle in memory of James Edward Powers*



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**kevin ail** - December 26, 2016 at 02:31 PM

AB

*Thank you so mich*

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**Ann Barlow** - December 28, 2016 at 07:43 PM