



## Jerrald Earl James

September 1, 1930 - April 30, 2015

Jerrald E James age 84 of Dixon died Thursday April 30, 2015 at OSF St Anthony Medical Center in Rockford. He was born Sept. 1, 1930 in Dixon the son of Earl and Edna (Weyant) James. He had worked for Nicor for 40 years prior to his retirement in 1988.

He was a member of the Dixon Noon Lions Club and was Lion of the Year 1982-1983, he was also a member of the Briar Knoll Hunting Club where he was President in 1967-1968, and was Dixon Citizen of the Year in 1983.

He married Margaret "Marge" Everett Sept. 25, 1954 in Dixon.

He is survived by his wife, children Patti (Dave) DeCarlo of Roscoe, Mike (Carolee) James of Dixon, Brian James of Oakland, CA., Stephan (LeAnn) James of Dixon, 5 grandchildren, Jeremy Hyde, Ashley Hyde, Krystin DeCarlo, Taylar James and Trevar James, 2 brothers Bill James of California, Tom James of Manteno, 2 sisters Janet Bruce of Maryland, Cathy (Mark) Prescott of Wisconsin.

He was preceded in death by his parents and 1 sister Sue Lordi.

Visitation will be on Monday May 4, 2015 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon. Cremation rites will follow. A memorial has been established to the OSF Cancer Treatment Center in Rockford.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 4. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Jones Funeral Home, Dixon

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Jerrald Earl James*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Jerrald Earl James*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *I was so saddened to hear of the recent passing of Uncle Jerry. Although I was a child, I have fond memories of the Uncle Jerry and the James family during visits to Dixon many years ago. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.*



*"Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal."*

*~ From a headstone in Ireland.*

*Janet Martin (James), Boise, ID*

**Janet Martin** - May 15, 2015 at 11:20 PM



“ *Patti,*

*I was saddened to hear that your grandfather passed away. My thoughts are with you and your family.*

*Christine (Witzleb) Smith, Fairfax, Virginia*

**Chris Smith** - May 08, 2015 at 06:53 AM

CH

“ Jerry was so patient and generous. I lived across the street from Jerry and Marge. I have a few fond memories to share. One, all us neighborhood kids would rush to his house on fundraiser day because he was so generous. Another is when his granddaughter Ashley would be over, we would raise money at our lemonade stand. He was the only one whoever made a purchase. My thoughts and prayers are with the family.

Christy (Lendman) Warden

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Christy - May 07, 2015 at 08:38 PM

DH

“ I was saddened to hear about the passing of Jerry James. I first met Jerry in July of 1982 when I was a reporter at the Dixon Evening Telegraph. Jerry, representing the Dixon Noon Lions Club, came to talk with me about Jason Hinrichs, a local boy suffering from a rare skin disease. As a result of that first meeting, the town and surrounding community of Dixon rallied around Jason and the fundraising events that followed. Because of Jerry's tireless efforts, and his vast network of similar-minded, compassionate people, Jason and his mother Karen went to Germany to receive treatment for Jason's disease. The effort that Jerry spearheaded culminated in February 1984 during a visit to Dixon by then-President, and Dixon native, Ronald Reagan. Reagan deviated from his prepared speech to mention Jason and the community's efforts, which raised \$37,000 to send Jason to Germany for medical treatment. Jerry represented the very best of caring and community. It is rare when one can look back at someone's life and say they truly made a difference. Jerry's life was a perfect example of exactly this. Rest in peace, Jerry. It was a privilege to know you. (Devon Heckman, Albuquerque, New Mexico)

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Devon Heckman - May 05, 2015 at 07:21 PM

MM

“ We send our deepest sympathy to your family. Have many memories of your family in our younger days. Jerry was older so we didn't see much of him. Howard and I both live in the same town in FL. Lester passed away three years ago. Saw Jerry when he worked where my aunt, Marian Butterbaugh did. Marcel Kesselring Miranda and Howard Kesselring

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**Marcel Kesselring Miranda** - May 02, 2015 at 10:40 AM