



## James Arthur Lawes

March 11, 1951 - May 11, 2016

James "Jim" Arthur Lawes, age 65, of Rapid City, passed away May 11, 2016 at home surrounded by his wife and children.

Jim was born on March 11, 1951 in Portsmouth, VA. He earned a diploma from Rogers City High School and was a 4.0 collegiate of English at Northern Michigan University. He was a licensed builder and designer while President of East Bay Services, Inc.

He was a true family man and an avid follower of sports, pop-culture, and politics. He is best described as a fun-loving, passionate and intelligent man who loved and was loved deeply.

He was the devoted husband of Connie (Felax), married since 1973, proud father of Jason (Amanda) Lawes and Carmen (Steve) Ingrao, and loving grandfather to Jacob, Zander, Oliver, and Enzo. He was the son of Irene (Balteau) Lawes and the eldest brother to Janie (John) Stoner, R. Michael Lawes, Steven Lawes, Suzanne (Joseph) Bur, Brenda (Doug) Snapp, John Lawes, and Timothy (Tonya) Lawes. He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Lawes, and brother, William Lawes.

Family will receive friends at 2pm on Saturday, May 14, 2016 at Kalkaska Funeral Home for a celebration of life. The service will begin at 3pm and a luncheon will follow in the lower level of the funeral home. Arrangements were entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Gathering

MAY 14. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Kalkaska Funeral Home  
152 S. Cedar  
Kalkaska, MI 49646  
(231) 258-3346

## Celebration of Life

MAY 14. 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

GR

“ Wow, I just found out a few minutes ago that Jim passed away. I was just telling a friend last week about Jim. We were working for Steiner Building ( late 80's early 90's) on an addition on Torch Lake, Jim did a quick measurement and calculated using a formula to figured out the exact angle of a cut. I learned a lot about construction with Jim, He is a good Man ! Condolences to Connie & the Lawes Family.

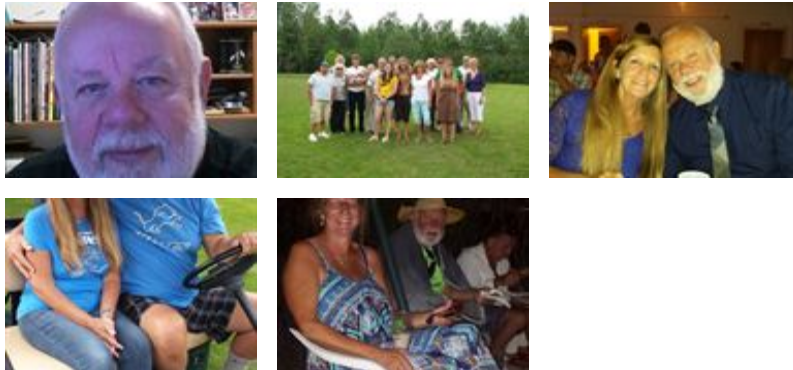
*Gary Roberts*

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**Gary Roberts** - May 17, 2016 at 04:58 PM



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**Kalkaska Funeral Home** - May 14, 2016 at 08:56 AM

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“ Lisa Speck and Steven Roudebush purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of James Arthur Lawes.



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**Lisa Speck and Steven Roudebush** - May 13, 2016 at 10:34 PM

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“ Penny and I are continuing our prayers for and your family. God bless you all in this time of grief.

*Scott and Penny Wright*

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**Scott Wright** - May 13, 2016 at 07:05 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Arthur Lawes.



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May 13, 2016 at 05:18 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James Arthur Lawes.



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May 13, 2016 at 03:02 PM

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“ *Connie, Carmon and Jason, So sorry to hear about Jim. Our thoughts and prayers are for each of you. Praying God's peace and comfort that only He can give. Rod and Linda (Ball) Donaldson*

Linda Donaldson - May 13, 2016 at 02:14 PM

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“ *I was always grateful for Jim taking the time to help me with my golf swing during the Greka's golf scramble. Had a great time that day! I will miss his presence at the ole watering hole! Hugs to you Connie. Thinking of you and your family and praying for comfort and peace at this difficult time.*

Vicky - May 13, 2016 at 02:10 PM

JH

“ *John & Donna Arcidiacono, John Arch Homes purchased the Fruits and Blooms Basket for the family of James Arthur Lawes.*



John & Donna Arcidiacono, John Arch Homes - May 13, 2016 at 12:06 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Arthur Lawes.*



May 13, 2016 at 11:15 AM



“ *Spring Has Sprung Mixed Basket was purchased for the family of James Arthur Lawes.*



May 13, 2016 at 11:03 AM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James Arthur Lawes.*



May 13, 2016 at 09:36 AM



“ *I was sorry to hear the sad news. I have a lost a great dear friend. Jim was my mentor for Chief Architect and cad buddy. I cant believe my friend is gone. He was a very special friend and our user group will miss him dearly. " Friendship does not end at death. Its is eternal. "*

*My heart heartfelt sympathy to you all.*

*God Bless  
In Faith & Sorrow,  
Annette Sokoll  
Classic Designs*

**Annette** - May 13, 2016 at 01:21 AM

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“ *Holly & Scott purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of James Arthur Lawes.*



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**Holly & Scott** - May 12, 2016 at 10:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Arthur Lawes.*



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May 12, 2016 at 09:18 PM