



James Allen Passage

February 14, 1935 - March 6, 2018

James Allen Passage, 83, of Rapid City, passed away on March 6, 2018 at Kalkaska Memorial Health Center – Long Term Care, with his beloved wife Jean by his side. He was born on February 14, 1935 in Northville, son to the late Tracy and Sarah (Smith) Passage. Jim was raised in Plymouth and went to work initially as an electrician and locksmith in Westland. He later started his own sharpening service and would service small tractors and the like. Jim also served in the National Guard for over 9 years. In his spare time he enjoyed carving and wood working, driving his John Deere, doing blacksmithing, tying flies and fishing. He was a part of the Northern Michigan Antique Flywheelers Club, the Grange Hall, and COA Bowling League. Jim had a great sense of humor; he always loved to laugh and hear others laugh. He had many friends in Kalkaska and the Plymouth area; Jim never met a stranger. Jim married the former Regina “Jean” Polley who survives him. He is also survived by his nieces and nephews and many friends he has made through the years. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers Stanley and Elmer. A memorial service will be held at 11:00am on Friday, March 23, 2018 at the Kalkaska United Methodist Church. Friends may begin gather at 10am until the time of service. Pastor John Murray will be officiating. Memorial contributions may be made in Jim’s honor to the Kalkaska United Methodist Church – Leader Dogs. Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

MAR 23. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Kalkaska United Methodist Church
2525 Beebe Road NW
Kalkaska, MI 49646

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

JA

“ I'm so glad I got to know you and Jean. I had so many good memories of working with you at HighPointe. Glad I ran into you a couple years ago on Mothers Day. I was grieving over my mother's death and you two cheered me up! Sorry for your loss Jean!

Jamie - April 29, 2018 at 10:59 PM

YF

“ Your Passage Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Allen Passage.



Your Passage Family - March 21, 2018 at 02:36 PM

FC

“ From All of Us at Old Mission Investment Company purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of James Allen Passage.



From All of Us at Old Mission Investment Company - March 21, 2018 at 10:33 AM

JM

“ Dear Jean,
We are so sorry to hear your news about Jim. John and I feel badly we will not be there with you on Friday. You know you will be in our thoughts and prayers. Sending our very best to you.
The Allison Family

Jill Allison Miller - March 20, 2018 at 02:12 PM

BS

“ Jeannie - Jim was truly blessed to have you in his life, the love and compassion you have for him is an inspiration. I will remember Jim's subtle humor, I was never quite sure if he was joking until his smirk would appear. Love and Hugs! Barb



Barb Savery - March 15, 2018 at 02:55 PM

MS

“ He was such a gentleman and will be missed by Jean and all of us who knew him.

Mary K Slick - March 11, 2018 at 04:08 PM

LE

“ I will miss the adorable smile Jim always had on his face! Sure am blessed to have known him. I will be sending hugs and prayers for his memorial as I will be out of town. Much love and condolences, Leanne

leanne - March 10, 2018 at 06:02 PM

DP

“ Jean, I'm so sorry to hear of Jim's passing. He was always such a kind man with a great sense of humor. May the Lord bless you during these difficult days. Believe me it's not easy. I love you, Donna

Donna Piper - March 10, 2018 at 05:43 PM