



James Bert DeMuth

May 24, 1954 - August 10, 2016

James B. DeMuth, 62, of Charlotte, passed away on August 10, 2016. He was born on May 24, 1954 to Carl and Barbara (Nisse) DeMuth in Charlotte. He attended Charlotte High School, graduating in 1972. He had a lifelong passion and love for sports and the outdoors with family and friends. As a proud father of his children, Kurt and Kristin, as well as his grandchildren, he loved to follow their games. He was very proud to have a baseball tournament in honor of his deceased son, Kurt. He was a golf enthusiast, and loved to hunt and fish. His family remembers his annual golf outings with his friends and family. Jim was a very generous man. With time, friendship, wit, and way of making others laugh, helped him create lifelong friendships that he always treasured.

Jim was employed as a Loan Officer with Eaton Federal Bank. Prior to those years, he was co-owner of Smith's Men Wear in downtown Charlotte. He was a proud member of the local Optimist Club and enjoyed giving to the community.

Jim is survived by his brother, Jerrold R (Linda) DeMuth of Charlotte, MI; sister, Lynda (David) Dawson of Williamsburg, MI; daughter, Kristin (Jason) Bowzer of Charlotte, MI; former wife, Sue (Galen) Christenson; daughter-in-law, Heidi (Ames) DeMuth Ide; grandchildren, Nevaeh, Austin, Dreux, Brayden and Tyler; many nieces, nephews, family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and son, Kurt DeMuth.

Visitation will be held Friday, August 12, 2016 at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte, MI from 2-4:00 PM and 7-9:00 PM with a Rosary at 7:00. Funeral Mass will be held on Saturday, August 13, 2016, at 11:00 AM the St. Mary Catholic Church in Charlotte, MI with Rev. Fr. Dwight Ezop officiating.

Memorials are suggested to the St. Mary Catholic Church or the James B. DeMuth Memorial Scholarship. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Family and friends are encouraged to share remembrances and condolences online in Jim's Tribute Page at www.prayfuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Maple Hill Cemetery

801 Tully Brown Rd.
Charlotte, MI 48813

Previous Events

Mass

AUG 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Mary Catholic Church
807 St. Mary Boulevard
Charlotte, MI 48813

Tribute Wall



“ *Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of James Bert DeMuth*



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - August 12, 2016 at 11:36 AM

KF

What a beautiful tribute to Jim! My prayers are with you all - may God & Jim be with you all for ever an ever. I could not physically be there but my thoughts an prayers where with you all - Amen & God Bless 🙏🙏

Kathy Fox - August 16, 2016 at 04:03 AM

RK

“ *Jim and I started in kindergarten together and also in scouts. We had a special bond playing baseball. Our sons were the same age and I coached little league. Jim would come to the games and we would catch up on family and friends. Even when it had been 6 months or a year since our last talk it seemed like just a day. To Jims family and friends I pray those wonderful memories can bring a smile. PEACE & LOVE TO ALL. Richard Kramer*

Richard Kramer - August 16, 2016 at 07:38 PM

JW

“ *Our sincere condolences to Jim's family.*

Jim was a man of strong character. He was gregarious, gracious, poised and humble. Jim would always meet you with that million dollar smile and a firm handshake. He will be missed.

*Very Respectfully,
John & Toni Willoughby & family*

John Willoughby - August 15, 2016 at 02:02 PM

KC

“ *I am so sorry to hear of Jim's death, I knew him from our stock club and always liked him very much.*

Ken Cool

Ken cool - August 14, 2016 at 12:13 PM

CF

“ *i graduated with Jim as students in the class of 72. Jim was all around sweet guy, He always said hello and with his smile ask how you were. i lost someone else to ALS and hope a cure is found soon . So we don't lose anymore of these great people to such a horrible disease. My thoughts for Sue and his family.. Carol (Kuehn) Freer*

Carol Freer - August 13, 2016 at 02:00 PM

GM

“ *Beautiful man and an old friend that will be missed. I remember getting married and getting a tux then being told my "money was no good in here". He gave me a tux complements of Smith's Mens Wear.*

Gregory L. Miller - August 13, 2016 at 09:49 AM

K(

“ Jim was an amazing man with a great heart. I remember him from his days at Smiths and how he always had a warm welcome and a huge smile. Love and prayers to the DeMuth Family and to all of his loved ones.

Kerrin Hetland (Sudrovech) - August 13, 2016 at 09:24 AM

CR

“ Keeping your family in our prayers.

Tom & Cindy Raymond

Cindy Raymond - August 13, 2016 at 08:39 AM

KT

“ So sorry to hear of Jim's passing. He was a wonderful man with a great smile. He was such an asset to Smith's. He is now in the arms of our Lord and Savior.

KimberLee Torkko - August 13, 2016 at 07:45 AM

JN

“ Jim & Cindy Nichols purchased the Pretty Please for the family of James Bert DeMuth .



Jim & Cindy Nichols - August 12, 2016 at 01:55 PM

AH

“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



Aver Hamilton - August 12, 2016 at 01:40 PM

SE

What a great picture of Jimmy & A!

Sam Ellison - August 14, 2016 at 08:08 PM

DS

“ *Dr. Rick Smith and Staff purchased the Sapphire Skies Bouquet for the family of James Bert DeMuth .*



Dr. Rick Smith and Staff - August 12, 2016 at 01:23 PM

TB

“ *The Smith Families, Nierenbergers, & Brundages purchased the Amazing Arboricola for the family of James Bert DeMuth .*



The Smith Families, Nierenbergers, & Brundages - August 12, 2016 at 01:10 PM

MW

“ Mike & Nikkie Whitely purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of James Bert DeMuth



Mike & Nikkie Whitely - August 12, 2016 at 12:16 PM

JR

“ Jim was a true friend and like an older brother. I do not recall exactly when we met (it was over 30 years ago) but our friendship grew through the hundreds of trips I made to Smith's Men's Wear. He knew me so well he would have items picked out for me even before I arrived.

We bowled together and played golf together, and with him, those were always good times. We also laughed together and we cried together. Little did we know that one day we would share the grief of both of us losing our only sons. We talked and cried about that because we knew the other understood how it felt.

Jim was a great man and a great friend. I will miss him dearly.

Jeff Rochester - August 12, 2016 at 12:07 PM



“ 39 files added to the album Life Tributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - August 12, 2016 at 11:28 AM



“ *The Jarabek's - Chris, Jeff, Sue, Beth & John purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Bert DeMuth .*



The Jarabek's - Chris, Jeff, Sue, Beth & John - August 12, 2016 at 10:18 AM



“ *Jim was a good boy. Prior to his death, including just last week, I visited him at his home off and on just to see how he was coming along and bring him some laughter talking about the old days. Linda and I thought very highly of him and supported him in every adventure he chose to pursue. We shall miss him in this life but look forward to seeing him in the afterlife. Kip and Linda Williams*

Kip Williams - August 12, 2016 at 06:56 AM

CS

“ It was a pleasure to work with Jim and Scott for 11 years. Remember stopping in the bank and catch up on life. Sitting with you at our Optimist meetings. Getting help from my son with your rentals. You will always be remember as a great friend. My thoughts will always be with your family. Cheryl Starr.

cheryl starr - August 12, 2016 at 06:38 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Bert DeMuth .



August 12, 2016 at 06:31 AM

DS

“ I was shocked to receive an email containing Jim's obit. I haven't seen Jim in a very long time and still remembered him as I knew him in High School. Jim was sweet and kind then and it appears did not change over the years. My brother Randy and I were just talking about Jim the other day and how much he enjoyed shopping for clothes at Smith's when Jim was there. Lynda I am so sorry to hear of Jim's passing...I lost my mom earlier this year and even though we know they're in a better place and no longer ill, we selfishly want them to be on this earth with us...I wish I could give you a hug! Just know I am thinking of you...

Dawn Shattuck-Watkins - August 11, 2016 at 10:50 PM

SE

“ Jim was a great friend as we had many great times together. He was a great shortstop & I enjoyed playing next to him at second base with him for many years. Rest in peace Emmett & God bless your Family. Sammy

Sam Ellison - August 11, 2016 at 08:12 PM

DD

“ I met Jim a few years ago. He was a very nice and fun man. I golfed my best game ever with his help. I hope he golfs with God on a regular basis. God Bless and speedy wings on your way to heaven. Darlene Dahlem

Darlene Dahlem - August 11, 2016 at 07:35 PM

JR

“ I remember his smile and his kindness to me and how he always made me feel special when he saw me come in Eaton Federal for one or Smiths men's wear when I was shopping for my husband. Just a great guy. Joan Raines.

Joan Raines - August 11, 2016 at 07:17 PM

VG

“ Jimmy was a genuine nice guy, always made everyone feel special with his loving smile. We will miss Jimmy, he was always there for our family (Sherman's) we were so blessed to have him as part of our family. Prayers for Jimmy's family! Hugs! Larry and Vickie Gingrich

Vickie Gingrich - August 11, 2016 at 07:05 PM

YP

“ Your friends at Kalkaska Screw Products. purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James Bert DeMuth .



Your friends at Kalkaska Screw Products. - August 11, 2016 at 04:28 PM

LR

“ There was no nicer guy than Jim, he will be truly missed. Prayers for the family. He would've wanted U to remember all the good times. Used to bowl with and against Jim in our younger years, those were truly good and fun times !!!! (LARRY)

Larry R Ranshaw - August 11, 2016 at 04:19 PM

RB

“ went to CHS with jim - remember him as a good student and a kind young man -

rebecca berry - August 11, 2016 at 03:18 PM

CF

“ Jim always had a smile on. He would doing anything for anyone, and ask nothing in return. He will be sadly missed by many. Just a great guy .

Cathy Felder(co-worker)

Cathy Felder - August 11, 2016 at 02:15 PM