



James Lee Montague

March 22, 1958 - January 3, 2020

James Lee Montague, 61, a kind and generous father, died peacefully on Friday, January 3, 2020 in Saline. Jim was born March 22, 1958 in Lansing, the son of James Russell and Nancy Lee (Mix) Montague. He graduated from Potterville High School in 1976, where he ran cross country and track. Following high school, he enlisted in the National Guard, serving 8 years. He moved to Ann Arbor, where he started his family and went to work as a machinist. He worked for Demmer Tool and Die, Crescive Die and Tool in Saline, and later Terumo in Ann Arbor. Jim later returned to Potterville, where he enjoyed golf, fishing, and following University of Michigan sports. Many will remember Jim as a good friend with a kind heart.

Jim is survived by his son, Josh Montague of Whitmore Lake; daughter, Lauren Montague of Ann Arbor; sisters, Judy Morehouse of Mooresville, IN, Barbara Jean (Steve) Sartorius of Canton, MI, and Sheila Marie (Dare) Parks of Sebring, FL; several nieces, nephews, and grand-nieces and nephews; and many friends. He was predeceased by his parents.

Friends are encouraged to support Jim's family. Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, January 10, 2020 at Grove Bible Church in St. Johns with Rev. Larry Smith officiating. Visitation will be from 2:00 - 4:00 and 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 9, 2020 at Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Interment will take place at Laingsburg Cemetery. If desired, the family

suggests memorial contributions to the American Diabetes Association. Friends and family are encouraged to share memories of Jim on his Tribute Page at www.PrayFuneral.com. The family is in the care of Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte.

Cemetery Details

Laingsburg Cemetery

Woodbury Rd, 1/4 mile north of Grand River
Rd
Laingsburg, MI 48848

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 9. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Pray Funeral Home
401 W. Seminary St.
Charlotte, MI 48813

Visitation

JAN 9. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Ceremony

JAN 10. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Grove Bible Church
6990 E Price Rd
St. Johns, MI 48879

Tribute Wall



“ Pray Funeral Home, Inc created a Tribute Video in memory of James Lee Montague



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - January 08, 2020 at 04:30 PM



“ 26 files added to the album Life Tributes



Pray Funeral Home, Inc. - January 08, 2020 at 04:28 PM

TS

As Jim's cross country coach Jim was always an optimistic, positive force on our team. In practice or in competition Jim always led the charge, ready to give his best. One fine young man. It was a pleasure to know and coach Jim.

Tom Swanson - August 07, 2020 at 10:06 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James Lee Montague.*



January 08, 2020 at 03:00 PM



“ *My sincere condolences to your family and friends and prayers to help you through this difficult time.*

HSO Clark

Lisa Clark - January 07, 2020 at 07:18 PM



“ *Wayne Humes sent a virtual gift in memory of James Lee Montague*



Wayne Humes - January 06, 2020 at 08:14 AM



“ *Wayne and Lisa Humes purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Lee Montague.*



Wayne and Lisa Humes - January 06, 2020 at 08:01 AM

WH

“ Jim loved to play golf and he was a good friend since high school when I got to know him when we ran cross country together. we have remained friends ever since and we played a lot of golf together. I hope he is playing a round right now.

Wayne Humes - January 06, 2020 at 07:48 AM

HM

Always hard to hear of a fallen classmate. I think James and I went K-12 together at school. Love and Prayers to his family and friends.

heath Meeder - January 07, 2020 at 08:08 AM

TR

“ Good neighbor and friend. Will be missed. RIP Jimmy.

Tammy Rice - January 05, 2020 at 04:29 PM

JF

“ Judy & Zac Morehouse N Family sent a virtual gift in memory of James Lee Montague



Judy & Zac Morehouse n family - January 05, 2020 at 04:12 PM

DB

“ Jim was a good neighbor and friend. I am pleased we had a chance to visit a couple times at St. Joseph Mercy in Ann Arbor last month. He had a kind, caring personality and will be missed by many. Our deepest sympathy to the Montague family. RIP Jim and I am confident you and your Dad are now together again.

With deepest sympathy,

Dan Bargy (for the Bargy family)

Dan Bargy - January 05, 2020 at 03:53 PM



“ Jim was a wonderful person and a very competitive runner, always contributing a consistent best effort at every practice and cross country event. A tremendous model of humble excellence. Sound like his life was the same. See you in heaven Jim. :) :)

Tom Swanson - January 05, 2020 at 03:26 PM