



## James Russell Montague

February 7, 1931 - October 27, 2013

James Russell Montague, 82, of Potterville, MI, died Sunday, October 27, 2013. Mr. Montague was born February 7, 1931 in St. Johns, MI, the son of John C. and Lizzy Rosalie (Rowley) Montague. He graduated High School in St. Johns before beginning his working life with St. Johns Stockyard. Throughout the years, he also worked as a billing clerk with National Car Loading in Lansing, as a machine operator with John Bean, Olds Plastic Factory in Potterville, and at Demmer Tool and Die. Mr. Montague was famous for his home garden, in which he grew all sorts of vegetables and flowers, selling his produce along the roadside in his front yard in Potterville for 47 years. Mr. Montague volunteered as a fireman in the City of Potterville for 19 years and served as treasurer for the Potterville Fire Board for 44 years. He loved fishing with his grandchildren, and was a lifetime member of the North American Fishing Club. He was also a faithful member of the Bright Hope Bible Church in Potterville. Mr. Montague is survived by his children, Judy Morehouse of Mooresville, IN, James Lee Montague of Potterville, Barbara Jean (Steve) Sartorius of Canton, MI, and Sheila Marie (Dare) Parks of Sebring, FL; grandchildren, Ben and Zacarhy Morehouse, Joshua and Lauren Montague, Ryan, Erin and Emily Sartorius, and Melissa (Adam) Stolt and Michael Galloway; and great-granchildren, Taylor and Lucas Morehouse and Otto and August Stolt. He was predeceased by his 6 siblings. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am on Thursday, October 31, 2013 at Grove Bible Church in St. Johns with Rev. Larry Smith and Rev. Terry LaDuke

officiating. Visitation will be from 2:00-4:00 and 6:00-8:00 pm on Wednesday, October 30, 2013 at Pray Funeral Home in Charlotte. Interment will take place at Laingsburg Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Bright Hope Bible Church, 500 E Lansing Rd, Potterville, MI. Arrangements by Pray Funeral Home, Charlotte. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.prayfuneral.com](http://www.prayfuneral.com).

# Tribute Wall

CG

“ Dare and Sheila, Kelly let me know when I spoke to him on Friday, that your dad had passed away this past week. I'm so sorry for your loss, and will hold your family in my prayers for strength and encouragement during this time. You will miss him, but know he is with all those who've gone before him, and they are celebrating in Heaven his coming home to be with them. God bless all of you!  
Christine Graham

Christine Graham - November 03, 2013 at 03:06 PM

LL

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. He was a good man, father, and grandfather

LKC Logistics - October 31, 2013 at 01:18 PM

BB

“ So sorry for your loss.

bev booden - October 30, 2013 at 12:28 PM

BW

“ Was very sorry to hear of the loss of your father. Please accept my sincerest condolences. May the love of family and friends get you through this difficult time. My thoughts are with you.

Bobbi Woods - October 30, 2013 at 11:08 AM

WH

“ So sorry to hear of Jim's passing. Wish we could be there. You all are in our thoughts. Much Love, Wayne and Lisa

Wayne and Lisa Humes - October 29, 2013 at 11:15 PM

VA

“ Judy, Jim, Barb & Sheila. At times like this one can never find words to fully acknowledge your loss. However, please know you are in our thoughts and prayers, and be comforted in the words of the Beatitudes, "Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted".

---

**Vickie, Mike Hilary & Emily Ayers** - October 29, 2013 at 03:52 PM

AF

“ We are all thinking of you and of course are so sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that you are all in our prayers. Vickie, Mike and I are planning on seeing you Thursday morning and Steve hopes to come also. Isaiah 66:13

---

**Aunt Fro** - October 29, 2013 at 12:01 PM

CF

“ I am so sorry for the loss of your Father. I know how hard it is to loose a parent. My prayers and thoughts are with you at this time and the coming months.

---

**Carla (French) Frazier** - October 29, 2013 at 09:07 AM

CW

“ Sheila, I know words are easily said at this time, but I know how hard it is to lose someone so close to your heart, Time will heal your pain and I love you. I pray for you and your family,

---

**connie wilbanks** - October 29, 2013 at 08:42 AM