



James Michael Buckley

March 14, 1958 - September 23, 2020

James Michael Buckley, 62, of Kankakee, passed away Wednesday (Sept. 23, 2020) in Kankakee at his brother's home. Francis and Angela Buckley have been Jim's caregivers since this journey began 4 1/2 years ago. He was born March 14, 1958, in Kankakee, the son of Vincent and Eileen (Lafond) Buckley.

Those who knew Jim, know how much he loved rooting on his favorite teams the Chicago Cubs and NASCAR races.

Jim worked a number of places through the years, but many will remember him best as a bartender at Fat Rats where he worked 17 years. He was most recently employed at Baker & Taylor in Momence. And recently received the title for the best dog sitter.

Jim is preceded in death by his parents; one brother, Patrick and one sister, Mary Gierke.

Surviving are his three sisters and four brothers-in-law, Janellen and Patrick Brouillet, of Kankakee, Theresa and Rome Hubert, of Bourbonnais, Kathy and Stan Gremer, of Bourbonnais, and Mike Gierke, of Kankakee. Also surviving are four brothers and five sisters-in-law, Bernie and Paula Buckley, Alan and Bonnie Buckley, Greg and Edie Buckley, Francis and Angela Buckley, all of Kankakee, and Debra Buckley, of Bonfield, along with numerous nieces and nephews and his favorite puppy Sammy.

A visitation will be held from 1:00 p.m. until the 4:00 p.m. funeral service on Sunday, September 27, 2020 at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in

Kankakee.

Private family burial will be held at All Saints Cemetery in Bourbonnais.

Memorials may be made to the family wishes.

Please sign his online guestbook at www.clancygernon.com.

Cemetery Details

All Saints Cemetery

1839 W. Route 102
Bourbonnais, IL 60914
(815) 933-2342

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 27. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Funeral Service

SEP 27. 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

GM

“ *I hadn't seen Jim in years, but I have good memories of hangin' out with him, back in the mid 1970's. Rest in peace Jim! My sympathy to his family. Sincerely Gary Metschuleit*

gary metschuleit - September 30, 2020 at 02:03 PM

BR

Jim was a patient of mine. He was always so sweet, polite, and funny. I will miss him very much!

Brenda - October 12, 2020 at 07:56 PM

 Teri Campbell

“ *Miss our Chocolate Chicken. Rest in Peace Jim!!*



Teri Campbell - September 29, 2020 at 03:49 PM

SN

“ *First Bones (Steve Sperry) now Buck. That should cover all the shifts at the Big Bar in the Sky. I hope that the beer is cold there. Jim was damn good people !!! Last Call, my friend ...*

Steven Norman - September 28, 2020 at 10:56 AM

JM

“ *My Sympathies to all the Family and friends.
Jim was an amazing guy who touched many
with his kindness, a Blessing on earth and
now in Heaven !*



Julie Mitchell-Wood - September 27, 2020 at 11:32 PM



“ *Tressa Foltz lit a candle in memory of James
Michael Buckley*



Tressa Foltz - September 27, 2020 at 11:04 PM

LA

“ *Lori Allie lit a candle in memory of James
Michael Buckley*



Lori Allie - September 26, 2020 at 10:21 AM

RM

“ *So very sorry for your family's loss.*

Ralph and Betty Meyer - September 25, 2020 at 11:03 PM

BA

“ You have our sympathy for your loss of Jim to the whole family. Jimmy was so much fun to be with and talk to. Just a really GREAT GUY. You are going to be missed. RIP Jim.

Brian and Mary Albers - September 25, 2020 at 07:59 PM

WI

“ So sorry for your loss. Our prayers are with you

Bill and Colleen Regnier

will - September 25, 2020 at 06:34 PM

NM

“ Nancy McMahon lit a candle in memory of James Michael Buckley



nancy mcMahon - September 24, 2020 at 09:18 PM

NM

Our Thoughts and Prayers Are with you We worked with Jim for 15 years at Baker&Taylor he was our rock he was always there to help he will be greatly missed may he rest in peace God has a Beautiful Angel Rest in Peace Our Freind Til We Meet Again Nancy McMahon, Carolyn Manago

nancy mcMahon - September 24, 2020 at 10:21 PM

SH

“ What a great guy! Many memories that definitely bring a smile. Jim was a good listener with a kind soul always making a friend. I will miss him and all the times shared. May you rest in peace. My prayers to his family and all his friends.

Sally Hood - September 24, 2020 at 09:06 PM

MD

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the Buckley family. He was one of the best. A friend as well as a co-worker. Rest peacefully my friend.



Michelle DeMik - September 24, 2020 at 06:54 PM

RO

“ I am absolutely heart broken about my ole buddy Jim's passing. If I remember right, we worked at Roper together in 1978-79. Pretty sure that's where we met. For many years I would stop to see him at fat rats after working out at the ymca. We were always good friends but haven't seen him in a few years. but I was ALWAYS happy to see him when I did. I sure am going to miss him. I'll keep all of his family in my prayers.

God Bless you Jim. THANK YOU for being part of my life.

Love, Your Friend,

Randy O'Connor

randy oconnor - September 24, 2020 at 04:02 PM

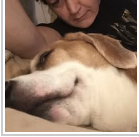
SR

“ Well Buck we know you didn't leave us, you just went ahead. Your party up there will be bigger than ours. I have great memories of you. We had so much fun back then. You're going to be so missed. Probably you were one of the nicest people I ever met and a good friend all these years. I'll remember you with a smile. May you now rest in peace and god bless your wife and family.

You have all my respect and condolences for your loved ones
Sherry Rashenskas



Sherry Rashenskas - September 24, 2020 at 01:39 PM



“ *Kimberli Cardosi lit a candle in memory of James Michael Buckley*



Kimberli Cardosi - September 24, 2020 at 01:08 PM

JC

“ *Awesome friend many memories not forgotten ..*



Jim Coy - September 24, 2020 at 11:49 AM

KS

“ *Thank you for the awesome captured moments Buck! Godspeed to your next journey!*



kat seiber - September 24, 2020 at 11:35 AM

KI

“ *Kim lit a candle in memory of James Michael Buckley*



Kim - September 24, 2020 at 09:30 AM

JG

“ Praying for Buck's Family and Friends, he was a great friend to my dad (Bob Grimes). He will be dearly missed by him.

Jordan Grimes Gardner - September 24, 2020 at 09:26 AM

JM

“ Say “hi” to my dad, Jim Mailloux, when you get there!

Jaisson Mailloux - September 24, 2020 at 08:31 AM

MS

“ Thoughts and prayers to the Buckley family. There are so many memories we have of him, and I thank God for that. They'll always be with us. We will miss him beyond belief, but know he's in good hands. God Bless you all. Mark and Lisa Stipp and family. 🙏❤️



Mark and Lisa Stipp - September 24, 2020 at 07:26 AM

KC

“ JIM BUCK YOU WERE ALWAYS A GOOD FRIEND AND A GOOD LISTNER YOU ALWAYS HELPED ME WHEN I NEEDED IT THANK YOU FOR THAT PRAYERS TO YOUR FAMILY RIP BUCK CHARBONNEAU FAMILY



KARON CHARBONNEAU - September 24, 2020 at 12:03 AM

CH

“ *My deepest sympathies to my cousins over the loss of your Brother, he will be missed. R.I.P. Jim.*



Carl Hartlep - September 23, 2020 at 09:23 PM

JS

“ *Janice Shenk lit a candle in memory of James Michael Buckley*



Janice Shenk - September 23, 2020 at 05:16 PM

JS

Buck attended several Nascar races with my husband Kenny and I and boy did we have some good memories and stories to tell over and over again! Miss you friend. Tell Kenny hello from me when you see him. Love you!

Janice Shenk - September 23, 2020 at 05:18 PM