



## James J. "Jim" Gravelle

March 30, 1949 - November 30, 2020

James J. "Jim" Gravelle, age 71, of Bourbonnais passed away Monday, November 30, 2020 at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago. He was born March 30, 1949 in Clifton, the son of Emerson & Marie (Ortwig) Gravelle. Jim married Nina Porter on April 26, 2006 in Bourbonnais.

Jim worked at CSL Behring from age 18 until his retirement at age 55. He owned and operated Manteno Laundry and Dry Cleaners for over 40 years. Jim was in the United States Army Reserves for six years.

He was a parishioner of Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church in Bourbonnais. Surviving are his wife, Nina Gravelle of Bourbonnais; one brother and sister-in-law, Joseph & Joan Gravelle of Clifton; three sisters and three brothers-in-law, Theresa & Terry Tibbetts of Bourbonnais, Catherine & Steve Bland of Normal, and Carolyn & Jim Frietsch of Deer Creek; and several nieces and nephews. Jim is preceded in death by his parents.

Cremation rites have been accorded. A memorial visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until the 11 a.m. funeral Mass on Monday, December 7, 2020 at Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church in Bourbonnais. Inurnment will follow at All Saints Cemetery in Bourbonnais.

Memorials may be made to Cancer Research at Northwestern Memorial Hospital or for masses.

Arrangements by Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais.

# Cemetery Details

## All Saints Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

DEC 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church  
308 E. Marsile  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 933-8285  
<http://www.mbvmchurch.org/>

## Memorial Service

DEC 7. 11:00 AM (CT)

Maternity B.V.M. Catholic Church  
308 E. Marsile  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 933-8285  
<http://www.mbvmchurch.org/>

# Tribute Wall

LS

“ So sorry to read the obit of my long time friend and work mate from Armour..  
We had many good conversations over the years as we worked side by side..  
truly sorry the way life goes and we go on with our own lives. I am glad Jim found the love in his life and I'm sure was happy until his final days.My syncire sympathy to his family . Larry Skelly

larry skelly - December 08, 2020 at 05:26 PM

Kim Baranows

“ Jim gave me a job for a short time and understood my husband is disabled so would let me work around taking care of him.He will missed by many



Kim Baranowski - December 08, 2020 at 02:46 PM

JM

“ Janeen Mathews lit a candle in memory of James J. "Jim" Gravelle



Janeen Mathews - December 07, 2020 at 01:01 PM

JM

“ My name is Janeen, I worked for/with Jim at the drycleaners/laundromat for 22 years. He was a great person, a kind man. He would let me have my children with me at work starting at the ages of 2 and 4, they are now 25 and 27, so he seen them grow. Jim was there for me through some very difficult times in my life, I will always remember and appreciate that!! He will be greatly missed by myself, my Husband, my Children and my Mother Kathy.



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**Janeen Mathews** - December 07, 2020 at 12:56 PM

KS

“ I knew Jim for nearly 40 years. I wish I new how many hours we spent together in the squad car, laundromat, or working on his apartments. We had so many laughs together. I remember the time that we answered a call to a bar fight and there must have been 30 patrons that spilled into the parking lot and street, and when the fight was over, Jim had lost his gun! Luckily one of the other police officers had found it, but we sure had fun with that story!

*He came to visit my family in Minnesota and we went snowmobiling at night when the northern lights were out...what a memory.*

*But I'll most remember are the long talks we had, from the most irrelevant silliest topic to our faith and trust in God.*

*Through the years whenever I was in Manteno I swing into the laundromat and if I was lucky enough to find him behind the counter, he always made time for me. He was a special friend.*

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**Kevin Stuckey** - December 05, 2020 at 09:55 AM

DS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Diane Siaroff** - December 04, 2020 at 11:45 AM

DS

“ Christmas 2019!  
So much LOVE and JOY as we gather together.



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**Diane Siaroff** - December 04, 2020 at 11:43 AM

DS

“ Christmas 2019  
LOVE and GOOD CHEER brings family together.

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**Diane Siaroff** - December 04, 2020 at 11:41 AM

DS

“ Christmas 2019  
Family is the heart of the soul.



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**Diane Siaroff** - December 04, 2020 at 11:40 AM

DS

“ *With loving remembrance, from Tricia Penkala*



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**Diane Siaroff** - December 04, 2020 at 11:34 AM

DS

“ *Riverside Gala*



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**Diane Siaroff** - December 03, 2020 at 07:58 PM

DS

“ *Grandchildren are God's way to show us unconditional love.*



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**Diane Siaroff** - December 03, 2020 at 02:46 PM

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“ *In remembrance*



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**Diane Siaroff** - December 03, 2020 at 12:24 PM

DS

“ *In remembrance*



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**Diane Siaroff** - December 03, 2020 at 11:44 AM

JH

“ *Jim And Dianne Van HovelN lit a candle in memory of James J. "Jim" Gravelle*



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**Jim and Dianne Van HovelN** - December 02, 2020 at 07:01 PM

DS

“ *Diane Lynn Siaroff lit a candle in memory of James J. "Jim" Gravelle*



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**Diane Lynn Siaroff** - December 02, 2020 at 06:19 PM

DS

“ *To our wonderful and kind Brother-in-Law, we have had so many exciting adventures together from New Orleans, Mexico, riding the rails in Canada, flying 20,000 ft above sea level around Danali's peak, Caribbean Cruises, East Coast for sun and sand and the Fall foliage in Canada ... each trip brought action packed memories. Sadly missed Diane and Bert*

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**Diane Lynn Siaroff** - December 02, 2020 at 06:16 PM