



## James Jaenicke

September 18, 1952 - August 30, 2019

James Jaenicke, age 66, of Kankakee passed away Friday, August 30, 2019 at his home. He was born September 18, 1952 in Kankakee, the son of Darwin & JoAnn (Blackmore) Jaenicke. James married Valerie Collins Mackin on May 28, 2004 in Kankakee.

James was a graduate of Kankakee Westview High School. He had been involved in the operation of the family business, Jaenicke's Root Beer Stand in Kankakee. James owned and operated the Jaenicke's on Wall Street in Kankakee. He has also managed the Dairy Queen on Station Street in Kankakee. James was also employed by Midwest Transit and had worked for McBroom Cadillac and Transeas Travel. James was a pilot and enjoyed flying. He had a lifelong interest in cars and was an avid golfer. He loved his grandchildren dearly. They meant the world to him.

Surviving are his wife, Valerie Jaenicke of Kankakee; one stepson, Andrew & Stephanie Mackin of Kankakee; two grandchildren, Kinsley and Briggs Mackin; his father, Darwin Jaenicke of Kankakee; two sisters, Barbara & Jimmy Angel of Winter Park, FL and Linda & Eric Boness of Kankakee; one brother, Dennis Jaenicke of Kankakee; several nieces and nephews; and one great-niece and one great-nephew. James is preceded in death by his mother, JoAnn Jaenicke, and stepson, Nathan Mackin.

Visitation will be held from 2 p.m. until the time of the funeral service at 6 p.m. on Friday, September 6, 2019 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. Rev. Scott Henley will officiate the service. Cremation rites will be accorded following the services. Inurnment will be held at a later date in Clifton Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the family wishes.

# Cemetery Details

## Clifton Cemetery

Clifton, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 6. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.  
295 Main St., NW  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
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## Funeral Service

SEP 6. 6:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

CS

“ *Carla Scheppler lit a candle in memory of James Jaenicke*



Carla Scheppler - September 07, 2019 at 02:06 PM

TV

“ *Our sincere sympathies to the Jaenicke families...Tim and Chris Voss*

Timothy Voss - September 07, 2019 at 10:21 AM

BS

“ *Deepest sympathy to the Jaenicke families.  
Bill and Helen Spriggs*



Bill and Helen Spriggs - September 06, 2019 at 12:45 PM

HJ

“ *So sad too hear of Jim's passing. My condolences to all the family. My favorite memory is when you all had the car lot on Court Street. I worked at Kenny's Korner, down the street. I was at awe of the inventory and the attention to detail that was taken to each car. I remember the 1963 Split-window Corvettes that you had on the lot. I remember admiring them. Jim not only took the time to educate me on these cars, but he gave me a ride in both. Grant you I was maybe 16, so he knew this was out of my scope of purchase. Nonetheless, Jimmer always treated me with respect and was humble. Fast forward, I'm in the car business, deal in interesting cars, and treat everyone the same way Jim would. Thanks Jimmer, you made an impact on my life.*

HUGH JANDA - September 06, 2019 at 08:03 AM

TW

“ *I knew Jim for over 50 years and always considered him as a up front guy and friend. My condolences go out to his wife and family and we will meet someday again Jim in a better place 🙏🙏🙏*

Tom Wasser - September 05, 2019 at 01:10 PM



“ *Candy Ray lit a candle in memory of James Jaenicke*



**Candy Ray** - September 04, 2019 at 08:47 PM



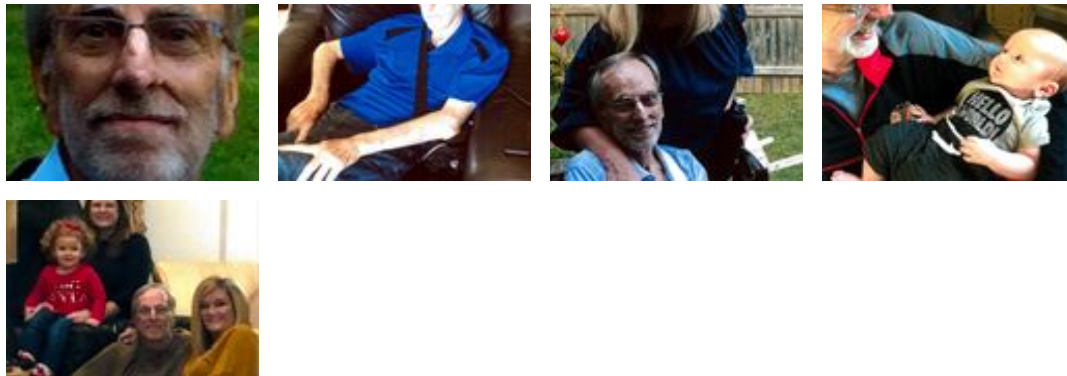
“ *Deepest sympathy to the Jaenicke families. Keep your fond memories close to your heart*

*Linda Chouinard*

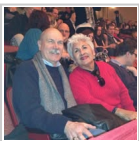
**Linda** - September 04, 2019 at 04:49 PM



“ *101 files added to the album Life Tributes*



**Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes** - September 04, 2019 at 04:06 PM



“ *Hugs and prayers are with all the family at this sad time. May God's peace and comfort fill you and may fond memories of a fun-loving guy bring smiles.*

*Mary & John Thomson*



**Mary Quiroz Thomson** - September 04, 2019 at 03:46 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. He was my favorite boss ever. Love you guys Amber Dupuis and family*

**Amber** - September 04, 2019 at 01:21 PM

GM

“ *Our deepest condolences to the family for this loss. Rest in peace Jim.*

**Gary & Rose Mitchell** - September 04, 2019 at 10:43 AM

MM

“ *MR MRS sent a virtual gift in memory of James Jaenicke*



**MR MRS** - September 04, 2019 at 09:32 AM

SN

“ *Steve Alice & Noah lit a candle in memory of James Jaenicke*



**steve alice & noah** - September 03, 2019 at 11:40 PM

TF

“ *The West Family lit a candle in memory of James Jaenicke*



**the west family** - September 03, 2019 at 11:39 PM

MM

“ *Condolences/Prayers to his family*



**Mary Morgan** - September 03, 2019 at 10:09 PM

PZ

“ *I was saddened to learn of Jim's passing. My condolences to all of you.*

**Paul Ziemer** - September 03, 2019 at 09:18 PM

TL

“ Terry Wilson Lloyd lit a candle in memory of James Jaenicke



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Terry Wilson Lloyd - September 03, 2019 at 04:19 PM