



James Legg

September 23, 1951 - March 19, 2008

James Legg -- Kankakee James "Jimmy" Andrew Legg walked through the Gates of Heaven Wednesday (March 19, 2008) at the all-too-young age of 56. He was born Sept. 23, 1951, in Kankakee, and lived the majority of his life in Aroma Park, where he was well-known and loved. He owned a three-wheel bike that was his biggest joy. He enjoyed the freedom of visiting his friends. Jimmy would put thousands of miles on his beloved bike in the course of spring, summer, and fall, all over Aroma Park and its rivers. As a young child, he was the poster boy for Easter Seals. Jim graduated in 1970 from Westview High School. He worked at the Kankakee Training Center while in his 20s. He was also a huge Cubs fan, and enjoyed watching the Chicago Bears (win or lose!) and NASCAR racing. He was a member of the Kankakee Jaycees in the early '80s. He loved to watch the boat races at the Kankakee Regatta every year on Labor Day weekend. He leaves behind his beloved father, Donald Legg; brother, Robert; sisters, Laurie (Greg) Martin and Donna; nephew, Benjamin Martin; nieces, Amy Wyse and Tami (Derek) Murphy; great-niece, Alexis Wyse; and numerous cousins and beloved friends. He was preceded in death by his mother, Clarice James Legg; grandparents, Harry and Alice James, Leslie and Isabel Legg; and great-nephew, Alex Wyse. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. today at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee. Cremation rites will be accorded by the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Crematory. A Celebration of Life will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the Aroma Park Boat Club. Memorials may be

made to the family wishes.

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“ We want to give our thoughts and prayers in this sad time.##imported-begin##Andy & Carol Snapp##imported-end##

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“ What a pleasant person!

Jim always had a smile and great determination!

We enjoyed our time with him at Peoples Church and our visits while driving him home.

How he loved his bike and how proud he was when he got the new one.
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 Jim is one-of-a-kind, never to be forgotten.##imported-begin##Tom and Sharon Shull##imported-end##

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“ rest in peace jimmy##imported-begin##randall mitchell
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“ I REMEMBER JIMMY BACK IN THE 90'S WHEN I USE TO GO TO THE BOAT RACES AT NONA'S MOM'S HOUSE ALONG THE RIVER. JIMMY ALONG WITH EVERYONE ELSE WERE LIKE A FAMILY TO THE FOWLERS. I DON'T LIVE IN THE AREA ANY MORE BUT STILL COME AROUND FOR THE BOAT RACES ON OCCASION. HE WILL BE MISSED.##imported-begin##CAROL (RONNA) GUY##imported-end##

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“ Good by Jimmy, you were always my favorite cousin of all times. I wish I was able to be there to say goodbye in person. I have nothing but the fondest of memories of you, and I'll remember you always for your laughing, loving ways.

You cousin Ronnie.##imported-begin##Ronald D Legg##imported-end##

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“ We are saddened to read of Jimmy's passing. ĩ ħ½His up-beat spirit should be a lesson for all of us. ĩ ħ½Our prayers are with the entire Legg family. ĩ ħ½##imported-begin##Pat and Bruce Huot##imported-end##

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“ GOD BLESS MY OLD BUDDY##imported-begin##ED /RHONDA PASEL##imported-end##

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“ Jimmy was a kind soul that we had the pleasure of entertaining us as we with him, his exploits around town amazed us both, he will be truly missed. Every time I saw Jimmy I couldn't resist to have some fun with him. He was always happy and fun to be around.

God truly gave us someone to try to be like.##imported-begin##Sharon & Jerry Hanson##imported-end##

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“ R.I.P Jimmy we will all miss you so much. Aroma Park won't be the same without you.##imported-begin##Betty Senesac##imported-end##

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“ Don,

The Ribbe Family will surely miss Jimmy.

Jimmy was a great neighbor, a friend, and an excellent "kid". ĩ½Jim always took his valuable time to talk with you; and of course with his never ending smile.

Chuck, Rick, and I last saw Jim in August of 2007 while in Kankakee for our annual golf outing. ĩ½Jim remembered us. ĩ½I feel that all had a great time remembering the past. ĩ½Jim made our day and we made his.

God Bless,

Phil & Marilyn Ribbe

19/21 Durell Drive##imported-begin##Phil & Marilyn Ribbe##imported-end##

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“ NULL##imported-begin##Cathy Tooper##imported-end##

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“ I remember Jimmy from my days at the Elks Country Club -- including his "first round." I remember his love of life and desire to have a smile on his face. Having a younger brother with a similar handicap die 4 years ago, I can relate to the mixed emotion of losing a friend and being happy for the elimination of his disabilities in heaven. Please accept my thoughts and prayers. Kevin###imported-begin###Kevin Boudreau###imported-end###

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“ dear jimmy

 I'll miss you more than words

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“ NULL###imported-begin###Michael Legg###imported-end###

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“ Blessings and heart-felt sympathy to the family who surrounded Jimmy with such loving care. His life is indeed a tribute to the power of compassion and honor for this human condition we all share. We have been granted a gift if we have had the honor of knowing Jimmy(even for a short time) I will remember his amazing spirit and the sweetness of that genuine and pure smile (also the break-neck speed with which he made his way through life)

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“ Dear Uncle Don, Bob, Laurie & Donna:

We will always keep you in our thoughts and prayers. We will miss Jimmy so very much. He had such a big zest & heart for life! He came from such a wonderful loving and spirited family and we know the love that he had was equal to the love that you all gave him and the care that each of you gave to him over his life. And we can take comfort in knowing that one day we will all get to see him again in heaven. All our love & thoughts to anyone who were blessed to have known Jimmy Legg.##imported-begin##Allyson Martini##imported-end##

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“ We will miss Jimmy. We are very sorry for your loss. He was a special kind of person that always was laughing. When I was trimming the trees in Aroma Park for ComEd he would come buy and we would talk about all kinds of stuff.

We also know Greg and Lori.##imported-begin##Virgil & Sue Dickson##imported-end##

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“ So Sorry to hear of your loss. He was a very special person. My husband Bill always talked about when he would [baby sit] take care of Jimmy and the things they would do. He also thought of him as a special person to know and be around. I know if he was here he would have a lot of memories to tell. Jimmy is now in a greater place. He may even see Bill who's to know.

You have my sympathy.

Nancy Godin

[Bill Godin's wife]##imported-begin##Nancy Godin##imported-end##

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“ My tribute goes to the family members who dedicated themselves to providing a lifetime of excellent, loving care, including Jimmy in every family function, and treating him as a responsible adult by allowing him the freedom to pursue his own interests. He fully understood he had physical limitations, but he didn't let that knowledge stop him from enjoying his life. To Jimmy's family I would like to offer my family's condolences.

Jimmy is at peace, but not likely RESTING in peace...he's too busy "walking straight" with his mother, running after Alex, and dancing with the angels. When Jimmy left this life and blasted through the gates of Heaven, he surely did so at full speed!

You go, Jimmy...be free!

##imported-begin##Carol Schneider##imported-end##

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