



## James B. Maass

August 8, 1923 - November 14, 2016

James B. Maass, age 93, of Kankakee, died on Monday, November 14, 2016 at Presence Merkle-Knipprath Countryside Nursing Home in Clifton, IL. James was born on August 8, 1923 to William and Theresa (Ray) Maass in Kankakee, IL. He was a member of the State Champion Sons of American Legion Basketball Team in 1941. He proudly served in the United States Army. He married Helen J. Uran on July 22, 1944. He worked as a supervisor for Commonwealth Edison for 41 years before his retirement. He was also Fire Chief for West Kankakee Fire Department for 20 years. He was a member of the American Legion for 73 years.

James is survived by two sons, John B. (Sandra) Maass of Kankakee, IL and James E. (Jolene) Maass of Herscher, IL; two daughters, Marilyn (Joe) Pryan of Raymore, MO and Nancy (Eldon) Ponton of Clifton, IL; two brothers, William R. (Bea) Maass of FL and Thomas (Mary) Maass of Kankakee, IL; one cousin, Francis (Anne) DuVoisin of Bourbonnais, IL; nine grandchildren, James (Steffanie) Pryan, Stacy Pryan, Kim Masterson, Kathy (Gary) Hunger, John (Melinda) Maass, Lori (Roger) Light, Connie Ponton, JR Maass and Jessica Maass; fourteen great-grandchildren, Alexandra (Eric) Black, Sofie (Brian) Perriraz, Courtney Loney, Caitlynn Loney, Kyle Lutes, Haley Lutes, Loren Rieder, Maddi Rieder, John David Maass, Cooper Maass, Wyatt Maass, Daniel Maass, Henry Maass and Zoe Bates; one great-great-grandchild, Lila Black and one great-great-grandchild on the way, Baby Girl Perriraz (Due Jan. 2017). He was preceded in death by three children, Robert, Darcy and Sherry;

one grandchild, Jeff Ponton; one great-great-grandchild, Ashton Black; one sister, Rosemary (Warren) Morrison and one brother, Rodney (Betty) Maass. Visitation will be held on Friday, November 18, 2016 from 9:00 a.m. until the time of James' funeral service at 11:00 a.m. at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, West Kankakee. Burial will immediately follow at Kankakee Memorial Gardens, Aroma Township.

Memorials may be made to Hospice of Kankakee Valley, W.W. Fox Developmental Center in Dwight, IL, Kankakee Fire Department and Fisher House in Rockville, MD.

# Cemetery Details

## Kankakee Memorial Gardens

15 S. 3000 E. Rd.  
Kankakee, IL 60901

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 18. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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

## Funeral Service

NOV 18. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

Anne  
Fiordalisi

“ Anne Fiordalisi lit a candle in memory of  
James B. Maass



Anne Fiordalisi - January 14, 2022 at 10:50 AM

BM

“ Still miss you and think of you all the time. Miss our talks. Best uncle you could ask for. Even gave me a baby raccoon with eyes closed that survived a com ed tree trimming. Raising that coon was the highlight of my childhood. I still miss my Rascal too. Thank you for always thinking of me. My heart broke when you passed away without me seeing you one more time and again when after making a 22 straight drive home from Florida and even missing my moms bday to do it, my body simply could not move to get out of bed to attend and say goodbye. You knew that kind of pain too i know. You and your family are still in my prayers.

Bill Maass - June 19, 2019 at 04:17 AM

NH

“ Nicole Harrison lit a candle in memory of  
James B. Maass



Nicole Harrison - November 20, 2016 at 10:39 PM

BJ

“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



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**Bill maass jr** - November 18, 2016 at 12:39 AM

BJ

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Bill maass jr** - November 18, 2016 at 12:22 AM

LB

“ *Linda Pearce Benoit lit a candle in memory of James B. Maass*



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**Linda Pearce Benoit** - November 17, 2016 at 12:06 PM

CO

“ *So sorry for your loss, Jim. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Bill and Colleen Regnier*

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**Colleen** - November 17, 2016 at 09:43 AM

NC

“ Nikki Clevenguee lit a candle in memory of James B. Maass



Nikki Clevenguee - November 16, 2016 at 04:32 PM

MM

“ Marlene Marion lit a candle in memory of James B. Maass



Marlene Marion - November 16, 2016 at 02:45 PM

Mary Jo Arseneau

“ Mary Jo Arseneau lit a candle in memory of James B. Maass



Mary Jo Arseneau - November 16, 2016 at 01:30 PM

Mary Jo Arseneau

*So very sorry for your loss, may you find comfort in your memories*

Mary Jo Arseneau - November 16, 2016 at 01:31 PM

JG

*We loved our Uncle Jim! He always had a great smile, his unforgettable laugh and his wonderful sense of humor. He will be greatly missed by all. Peace and comfort to all the family.....Joni Maass Grodski and family*

Joan Maass Grodski - November 16, 2016 at 02:21 PM

LB

*Helen, Nancy, Marilyn, John and Jim, So many, many happy memories of my closest neighbors and 2nd DAD, Jim, to me. Sorry for your loss.  
Linda Pearce Benoit*

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**Linda Pearce Benoit** - November 17, 2016 at 11:57 AM