



James D. Rigney Jr

February 27, 1944 - January 20, 2018

James D. Rigney Jr., age 73, of Kankakee, passed away Saturday, January 20, 2018 at Presence St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee.

He was born February 27, 1944 in Chicago, the son of James D. Sr. & Ellen Marie Tash Rigney.

James married Betty Soderquist on December 27, 2003 in Kankakee.

He was retired employee of the City of Kankakee Sewer Plant. James was a member of the NRA.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, having served for 20 years.

Surviving are his wife, Betty Rigney of Kankakee; two sons, Jimmy Rigney and Robert Rigney, both of Phoenix, AZ; one brother-in-law, Bob Prue of Michigan City, IN; two brothers and two sisters-in-law, Michael & Marie Rigney of Mesa, AZ, John Rigney of Los Angeles, CA, Teresa Rigney of Bradley, and Yvonne Rigney of Cookstown, NJ; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents; two sisters, Bertha and Beverly; and two brothers, Jay and Jack.

Cremation Rites have been accorded.

A memorial visitation will be held 4:00 p.m. until the 7:00 p.m. memorial service on Thursday, January 25, 2018 at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee. James' brother, Rev. Michael Rigney will officiate the service.

Private inurnment will be held at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Cemetery Details

Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road
Elwood, IL 60421

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JAN 25. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
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Tribute Wall

WB

“ I believe James Rigney was my Company Commander at Great Lakes in 1969 (Company 88)
Thanks for the guidance and Leadership
RIP Boats.... Fair Winds and Following Seas
WD Becker

William Becker - April 23, 2022 at 02:11 PM

GD

“ Jim was my company leader when I was in boot camp, Great Lakes RTC, Company 88, 1971. I will always remember his leadership and knowledge, he was a great man.
Gary Dixon

gary dixon - July 05, 2021 at 07:32 PM

SH

“ Sr.Martha lite a candle in memory of James D. Rigney. My prayers and sympathy to his wife and family. Blessings, Sr. Martha,sscm



Sr. Martha Harrington,sscm - January 24, 2018 at 04:31 PM

RG

“ To the Jim Rigney Family. My sincere condolences on your loss. Jim was a life long friend from the Navy days at CHB 1 in Williamsburg Va in the early 60's. We talked several times on the phone in the last few years. May God wrap his loving arms around you all and warm and comfort your heart during this sad time.

Ron Gossett and the friends from CHB-1

Ronny J Gossett - January 23, 2018 at 10:07 AM

PE

“ My sincere condolences to the Rigney family. Pat, I'm so sorry for you, as we all know that "My Jimmy" is the love of your life. He will live on in your heart. Sending healing prayers your way.

Phyllis Emmerson - January 22, 2018 at 01:55 PM