



James W. Sikma

March 23, 1933 - December 3, 2011

James W. Sikma, 78, of St. Anne, died Saturday (Dec. 3, 2011) at his residence. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the Clancy-Gernon-Houk Funeral Home, St. Anne, and from 10 a.m. Wednesday at the First Reformed Church of Wichert, until the 11 a.m. funeral services. Pastor Jim Dykstra will officiate.

Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery, St. Anne. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the First Reformed Church of Wichert.

Mr. Sikma was a lifelong farmer and worked as a printer at Esselte Corp. for 54 years. He was born March 23, 1933, in Chicago Heights, the son of Henry and Minnie Anker Sikma. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving during the Korean conflict. He was a member for more than 50 years of the First Reformed Church of Wichert, where he was a past deacon and elder.

Surviving are his wife, the former Sharon VanDerVliet, whom he married Feb. 8, 1957, in St. Anne; one daughter and son-in-law, Kathy and Jim DeGroot, of St. Anne; one son and two daughters-in-law, Bob and Barb Sikma of St. Anne, and Sheri Sikma-Cagle, of Bourbonnais; and four grandchildren, Elizabeth and Mike Van Someren, Mary and Seth Burkey, Victoria Sikma and Joseph Sikma.

He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Gerry; and one brother, William.

Family, church and God was his life.

Cemetery Details

Oakwood Cemetery

7697 E. 4500 S. Rd.
Wichert
St. Anne, IL 60964

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 6. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

St. Anne - Clancy-Gernon-Houk Funeral Home
214 W. Sheffield
St. Anne, IL 60964
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Visitation

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

First Reformed Church of Wichert
St. Anne, IL

Tribute Wall

WD

“ Sharon, Cathy, Bob and family,
I am very sorry about the loss of Jim. I am late in getting this to you,
but my computer was giving me trouble and therefore, I apologize in
being so late.

You have a wonderful family and I know how it is to lose a loved
one. Please accept my sympathy and let me know if there is
anything I can do.

God bless you all.

Bill Dyon

William Dyon - December 29, 2011 at 06:57 PM

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“ Sharon, wonderful memories at your farm. Jim will truly be missed.
Thoughts and prayers with you and the family.

with love

Stephanie (Slowik) Truax and family

stephanie Truax - December 09, 2011 at 05:30 AM

PD

“ Jim and I worked together at Esselte. He was such a dedicated
worker but always a joy to be around. He was the person that most
people wish they could be. I always respected how he did his job so
efficiently and how he had trained others. He will be sadly missed
by all that worked with him.

Patricia Durham - December 07, 2011 at 11:40 PM

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“ *A great man that we should all strive to be more like. I worked at Esselte with Jim and always enjoyed stopping by the print shop to talk about farming, family or whatever. Hard worker and dedicated to whatever he was doing.*

Mark Billings

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Mark Billings - December 05, 2011 at 07:03 PM