



## Jimmy William "Diamond Jim" Brady

July 11, 1946 - December 31, 2018

Jimmy William "Diamond Jim" Brady, age 72, of Bourbonnais passed away Monday, December 31, 2018 at his home. He was born July 11, 1946 in LeHavre, France, the son of Howard & Myriam (Robinson) Brady.

Jimmy had been a union carpenter for over 30 years at Terry Vaughn Construction Company. He was an avid Harley Davidson owner and rider. He enjoyed traveling and caring for his mother.

Jimmy was a veteran of the United States Marine Corp having served from 1969-1971 during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the Marine Corp League, Kankakee Detachment #1253, where he served as Quartermaster, Judge Advocate, and the Honor Guard. He was also a member of the Marine Veterans motorcycle Club, Ryan Beaupre Memorial Chapter, where he also served as Vice President.

Surviving are one son, Wesley Brady of Kankakee; two grandchildren, Logan Brady and Brynna Brady; his mother, Myriam Brady of Bourbonnais; and his life partner, Patti "Huggr" Johnson of Beaverville. Jim was preceded in death by his father and one brother, Fred Brady.

Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until the 1 p.m. military honors service on Saturday, January 5, 2019 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. Burial will be at 11:30 a.m. Monday, January 7, 2019 at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood. The procession will leave from Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais at 10:30 a.m.

Memorials may be made to the Commissary Fund at the Illinois Veterans

Home in Manteno.

# Cemetery Details

## Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery

20953 Hoff Road  
Elwood, IL 60421

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 5. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

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

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# Tribute Wall

CH

“ I had the honor of serving Jimmy at Hines VA Hospital. He was such an inspiration to the other Veterans he worked with in our clinic. We will never forget Jimmy, and our thoughts and prayers go out to him and his family.

Christine - January 07, 2019 at 11:25 AM

DD

“ Darcy Drummer lit a candle in memory of Jimmy William "Diamond Jim" Brady



Darcy Drummer - January 06, 2019 at 07:29 PM

RP

“ Shine on My Friend RIP

<https://youtu.be/oGCUDipQrQA>

Roland Porter - January 05, 2019 at 08:24 AM

RP

“ Roland Porter lit a candle in memory of Jimmy William "Diamond Jim" Brady



Roland Porter - January 05, 2019 at 07:54 AM

RP

*Your friendship, kindness and concerns for all , will be sadly missed, My condolences to all. Rest In Peace Jimmy William "Diamond Jim" Brady.*

**Roland Porter** - January 05, 2019 at 07:58 AM

DA

“ *The only dad I ever knew.... as a little girl I looked up to you & wanted you to be “my dad” and a lot of the time you were. I will cherish those good memories. Rest In Peace old man, thanks for all you ever did for me. I know you are riding on the clouds! Love, Your Dawn-Ana* ❤️🙏🏻🏍️👊

**Dawn Akerman-Quick** - January 04, 2019 at 10:56 PM

RM

“ *Randall Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Jimmy William "Diamond Jim" Brady*



**randall mitchell** - January 04, 2019 at 04:23 PM

KC

“ *R.I.H. Enjoyed our friendship thank you for all your help. Karon*



**KARON K CHARBONNEAU** - January 04, 2019 at 03:43 PM

SH

“ Sr. Martha lite a candle in memory of Jim Brady He was dedicated to his mother and would visit her every day. My prayers and sympathy for his loved ones. Blessings, Sr. Martha,sscm



Sr. Martha Harrington,sscm - January 03, 2019 at 09:41 PM



“ In Memory - 6" L x 2.5" H Memorial Stone was purchased for the family of Jimmy William "Diamond Jim" Brady.



January 03, 2019 at 08:19 PM

HJ

“ I am the Chaplain of the Marine Corps League detachment 1253 and it has been my privilege to serve very closely with Jim, we just had a honor squad for an Army Veteran a few days before he passed away what a shock it was to hear that Jim had passed away, We were just saying to each other that you never know who will be next and we said it would be hard to have to do the rituals for one another Marine Corps brother and now we are making plans to do his final honors. Praying for Patti and his mom at this difficult time. MAY GOD BLESS HIM AND THE FAMILY AND PATTI WITH COMFORT AND PEACE THROUGH THESE NEXT FEW DAYS AND YEARS DOWN THE LINE GIVE TO THEM THE PEACE THAT ONLY THOU CAN GIVE, COMFORT THEM OH GOD OUR HEAVENLY FATHER AND YOURE SON JESUS CHRIST AMEN

Harlan Judd - January 03, 2019 at 08:08 PM

NP

“ I worked with "diamond Jim" for 25 years. Great guy, excellent carpenter. There was never a dull moment at the job with Jim...Rest in Peace buddy.

Nate Pecchenino - January 03, 2019 at 07:07 PM

VJ

“ He always made Rodell and I laugh! He would always start a conversation by saying, " Hey you two kids"! He will be missed by many, R I P Jim. Rodell and Vickie

vickie jones - January 03, 2019 at 10:25 AM

 Crystal  
Ashline  
Jacobsen

“ My condolences to all. Myriam and Wes, my thoughts and prayers are with you.

Crystal Ashline Jacobsen - January 03, 2019 at 09:36 AM

GK

“ Condolences on the loss of your family member and my Marine Brother. We know he will still be watching over all of us from his Iron Horse in heaven.

Gaylen (Irish) Kuehl - January 03, 2019 at 08:37 AM

MS

“ Wes, we are sorry for your loss. May he Rest In Peace. God Bless.  
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Mark and Lisa Stipp - January 02, 2019 at 11:15 PM

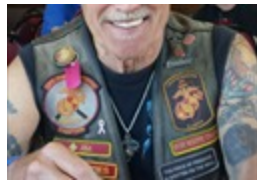


“ Got the call today about Jim. We had just talked on Monday. Made plans for April to work together on the 2019 Run For The Fallen. Had a great talk and made plans to once again honor our fallen Heroes of Illinois. I told him we had forgot to have that drink when we finished the National Run For The Fallen last June in Kankakee. He said come April we may just have to have two. Was so looking forward to working with Jim once agin. He made it possible for us to stop in Kankakee with the run last June. He was such a wonderful guy. Just can not imagine loosing him. As a Military Mom of three soldiers, two serving and one Fallen. I know what it means when they say You Are Never Promised Tomorrow. Live today! Will miss you my friend. Fly High in the Sky..... Your friend, Deborah

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**Ron Whitaker** - January 02, 2019 at 08:37 PM

Jana  
Kuspa

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Jana Kuspa** - January 02, 2019 at 07:07 PM

AU

“ RIP Jim many prayers to the family he was a great man went on many rides with him now he's riding with the angels so sad 🥹🙏❤️



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**Audrey** - January 02, 2019 at 07:05 PM

RO

“ Robine OBrien lit a candle in memory of Jimmy William "Diamond Jim" Brady



Robine OBrien - January 02, 2019 at 06:20 PM

Scott Durano

“ Words can not express enough how deeply saddened we are over this. Over the course of the last 3 years, our friendship has grown to become family. I will miss our daily conversations, but will always have great memories of our times and rides together. Semper Fidelis Diamond Jim, we have the watch sir.



Scott Durano - January 02, 2019 at 05:47 PM

CV

*Diamond Jim is one in a million. He always carried himself with grace, honor, and dignity. He never had a negative comment towards anybody and was always positive. A great human being. Your smile and presence will be missed. Semper Fi my brother. Rest In Peace.*

Carlos Viramontes - January 02, 2019 at 11:15 PM

SL

*So sorry for your loss Wes and family. May he RIP*

stacey lee - January 02, 2019 at 11:43 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



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**Kat Seiber** - January 02, 2019 at 05:46 PM