



## James Roy Eimer

August 21, 1937 - May 9, 2020

James Roy Eimer lifelong Grand Ledge resident passed away May 9, 2020 in Lansing after a courageous battle with cancer and will be missed by his loving family and many friends. Jim was born August 21, 1937 in Grand Ledge to Orville (Dude) and Thelma Eimer. He graduated from Grand Ledge High School, Class of 1955. Jim worked for the City of Grand Ledge for over 40 years, holding various positions, and retired as the Director of Public Works. He took many fishing trips to Rice Lake in Canada and hunting trips out west with his friends over the years. Jim was a huge MSU fan and especially enjoyed women's basketball and volleyball. After his wife Jan passed away from cancer, Jim became actively involved in donating blood and plasma to the Red Cross to help those in a time of need. Spending time with family was very important; whether it was taking trips to Florida, spending time at the lake, or cooking a meal with enough food to feed an army, Jim cherished the time they were able to spend together.

Jim is survived by children, Christine (Bob) Boyd and Mike (Kris Young) Eimer; grandchildren, Erica McDiarmid, Monica (Joe) Michael, Phil (Lindsay) Boyd, James and Andy Eimer; great-grandchildren, Jaden and Mia Michael, Samantha, Brad and Ben McDiarmid, Waylon Boyd, Braden and Abbygale Eimer; siblings, Annie (Tom) Spitzley, Chuck Eimer and Mary Beachnaw; brothers-in-law Gale (Dianne) Twitchell and Jim (Dawn) Twitchell; sisters-in-law, Karen Corts, Clara Twitchell and Carol Twitchell along with numerous nieces and nephews. Jim was preceded in death by his first wife Jan and

second wife Carol; siblings, Bob Eimer, Mitzie Burton, numerous brothers-in-law and sisters-in law.

A Graveside service will be held Wednesday, September 23, 2020, 12:30 pm at Oakwood Cemetery with The Reverend Fr. James Eisele, officiating.

Visitation will be Wednesday from 10:00 am until 12:00 pm at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge. Memorial contributions in Jim's name may be given to the Sparrow Cancer Center, 1322 E. Michigan Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48912 (<https://www.sparrowfoundation.org/give>) or the American Red Cross of Mid-Michigan, 1800 E. Grand River Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48909 (<https://www.redcross.org/donate/donation.html/>). A special thank you to the staff of Sparrow Health System. Arrangements by the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge.

# Cemetery Details

## Oakwood Cemetery

299 Halbert Street  
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **23**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
406 N. Bridge Street  
Grand Ledge, MI 48837  
(517) 627-2531  
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## Graveside Service

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# Tribute Wall

RF

“ Russ & the entire Fiser family purchased the Encanted Cottage for the family of James Roy Eimer.



Russ & the entire Fiser family - September 22, 2020 at 12:38 PM

 Carol Wyman

“ Basketball games just won't be the same without Big Jim.

Carol Wyman - May 16, 2020 at 09:07 PM



“ When I came to Grand Ledge in 1967; Jim was one of the first people that I met. It was an instant friendship. Jim was one of the most loyal and honest people I've ever known. Jim had one of best sense of humor that I've ever seen. Add his infectious laugh and there was no one better to meet up with. Don't get me wrong, you didn't want to get on his "other side"! Melody and I send our condolences to family and friends. When she asked Jim about the taste of the water; he quickly answered "drink more beer"!!! Grand Ledge will miss one of its favorite sons. Rest In Peace to a great family man and loyal friend. Coach and Melody O'Keefe

Patrick O'Keefe - May 11, 2020 at 05:11 PM

PA

“ Sorry for your loss Eimer family. I always enjoyed his great chuckle when telling a story. Jim will be missed here at the lake. Pamela Peach Burke

Pamela - May 11, 2020 at 10:10 AM

DW

“ I had the honor and privilege to work with Jim for many years. He was always happy and smiling, quick with a joke but could also be tough as nails when making and sticking to a decision. Thanks Jim for the memories and to the family, my deepest and sincere condolences during these tough times.

David V. Wilcox

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David V Wilcox - May 10, 2020 at 03:03 PM

DH

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Jimmy was a special person and will be missed by many. The Harley Barnes Family

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Debra Hansbarger - May 10, 2020 at 12:54 PM

SB

“ Chris and Mike I am so sorry for the loss of your dad he was a special man! My prayers are with you and your families

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Susan Burton-Hammond - May 10, 2020 at 12:44 PM

JR

“ So sorry to hear about Jim. I lived across the street from Jim and Jan on Pine Street, picked many strawberries with his wife and partied together next door. More recently saw him at MSU basketball games. He will be missed. Much sympathy to his family. Hugs, Jan Rozich

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Jan Rozich - May 10, 2020 at 11:13 AM