



## James Vaughn Peake

July 7, 1958 - September 9, 2020

James Vaughn Peake of Portland passed away unexpectedly at home on September 9, 2020. Jim was a hard working husband and father who loved his family and many friends. Jim will live on in hearts of the many lives that he touched. Jim was born July 7, 1958 in Lansing to the late Vaughn and Catherine (Schoettl) Peake. He graduated from the Grand Ledge High School Class of 1976 and went on to work for the Parish Co. as a heavy equipment operator. The last decade, Jim became an instructor at AIS teaching heavy equipment operation. He enjoyed attending car shows, going to the casino, fishing and traveling.

He is survived by his loving wife of 37 years, Karol (Monroe); daughter, Jennifer (Rick) Martin; sisters, Dawn (Bill) Sherman, Pat (Denny) Schartzler, Gail VanAlphen, Sue (Dale) Harlow, Karen (Wil) Linley along with several nieces, nephews and cousins. Jim was preceded in death by son, Ryan on June 5, 2019.

A funeral service will be held Monday, September 14, 2020, 1:00 p.m. at the Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home, Grand Ledge with Pastor Roy Atherton, officiating. Interment will follow at Pioneer Cemetery. Visitation will be Monday from 11-1:00 p.m. Memorial contributions may be given to the Capital Area Humane Society, 7095 W. Grand River Avenue, Lansing, Michigan 48906 (<https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=cahsad&id=23>).

# Cemetery Details

## Pioneer Cemetery

9501 Hartel Road  
Grand Ledge, MI 48837

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 14. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Holihan-Atkin-Barclay Funeral Home & Cremation Services  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall

PF

“ Jim and I grew up together one block apart. We were so young I don't remember meeting , he was just always there. As many people do we drifted apart shortly after high school. There are so many memories , with Jim and the family. Like the club house in the back yard , there were many sleep overs , Peanuts his dog , staying warm on the floor register in the living room , his Dads gun cabinet next to it , we that was the greatest thing on earth. The shared rooms upstairs , listening to music with Sue (eva goda davda ) always messing with Karen as she was the closest to our age , sliding down the front stairs to the sidewalk in cardboard boxes. Playing football in Schmittys side yard. Going up to there cabin near Barryton , swimming and fishing and riding up to the cabin in the back of the truck. Yes I grew up in that little house on Liberty. There are so many memories , when they moved out on Davis hwy . and beyond . Junior high , and high school. It was such a long time ago but I remember them as if yesterday . All those memories with Jim and the family i will never forget. I could go on and on but time is short. My condolences to all the girls , Dawn , Pat , Gail , Sue and Karen. And especially to you Karol I know it's been a rough year , but Gods plans are not for us to understand . I'll never forget you old buddy Pete fink

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**Pete Fink** - September 14, 2020 at 12:28 AM

DO

“ My deepest sympathy to Jim's family. As the days pass, I hope you find comfort and support in the people that surround you. Hold close the memories you carry in your heart. When I think of Jim as a young boy visiting our Wisconsin farm, I see his smile and hear his laugh, he had a great laugh.

*Debbie (Bowe) Olson*

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**Deb (Bowe) Olson** - September 13, 2020 at 04:07 PM

MN

*Jim and family have been in my thoughts all day. Hope you have found a small bit of comfort sometime today and will continue to in the days to come. So many wonderful memories of Jim have been posted. So long since I have seen him and any of cousins. We had a lot of fun as kids maKing trips to Michigan.  
Love all of you! Take care  
Marina (Dubberke) Nitz*

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**Marina Nitz** - September 14, 2020 at 05:00 PM

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“ *Deb (Bowe) Olson lit a candle in memory of James Vaughn Peake*



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**Deb (Bowe) Olson** - September 13, 2020 at 03:55 PM

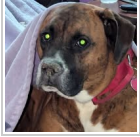
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“ *Jim and I were best friends in high school. I have so many memories....,fun, hunting,laughing, partying, and talking. He truly was a great friend. I feel so blessed that we ran into each other a year or two back. We tried to catch up, talking just as fast as we could.*

*I love you buddy,  
Rest in peace,  
Monty Elliott*

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**monty elliott** - September 12, 2020 at 03:40 PM



“ Tina George sent a virtual gift in memory of James Vaughn Peake



Tina George - September 11, 2020 at 09:22 PM



*I am so sorry for your loss. You all will be in my heart and prayers. Sorry I will not be able to attend the service, I do not have a sitter for all my residents. I will be thinking of you during this difficult time. May God give you peace and comfort.*

Tina George - September 11, 2020 at 09:24 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Vaughn Peake.



September 11, 2020 at 09:15 PM



“ HE WILL ALWAYS BE MY SECOND LITTLE BROTHER. HE WILL ALWAYS BE PART OF OUR FAMILY.

DONNA MARTIN - September 11, 2020 at 08:08 PM

KL

“ *Karen Linley lit a candle in memory of James Vaughn Peake*



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**Karen Linley** - September 11, 2020 at 04:44 PM

HM

“ *Hope Mellis lit a candle in memory of James Vaughn Peake*



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**Hope Mellis** - September 11, 2020 at 01:54 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James Vaughn Peake.*



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September 11, 2020 at 01:20 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of James Vaughn Peake.*



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September 11, 2020 at 07:39 AM

SF

“ My son Nathan had Jim as an instructor for The AIS Heavy Equipment Program in High School. Meeting Jim I was impressed with how much he loved and enjoyed teaching the students how to operate the Heavy Equipment and how much joy Jim had when he was mentoring his students. My son was blessed to have Jim teach him how to operate heavy equipment and because of Jim's dedication and commitment to teaching the students, my son now works in the Construction industry and gets to do a job each day that he loves to do. Rest in Peace Jim.

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**Sandy Forgrave** - September 10, 2020 at 09:16 PM

KS

“ It took less than 5 minutes upon meeting & talking with Jim for the first time several years ago to realize what a great man he was. I eas immediately fond of him. My conversations & time spent with Jim & Karol were always valued & rewarding. I regret how long it's been since last seeing Jim. My sincerest condolences to Karol & everyone affected by this tremendous loss. RIP & fly high Jim. 💕💕💕  
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**Kelli Stiffler** - September 10, 2020 at 05:03 PM