



Jim Nelson Jr.

June 5, 1968 - April 12, 2021

Jim Nelson Jr., 52, of Fort Dodge, died Monday, April 12, 2021 at Iowa Methodist Medical Center. Visitation will be held on Sunday, April 18 at 2:00 p.m. followed with a memorial service at 3:00 p.m. at Gunderson Funeral Home and Cremation Services. Private family interment will be held in North Lawn Cemetery.

James William Nelson Jr., son of James William Sr. and JoAnn (Kvale) Nelson, was born on June 5, 1968. He graduated from Clarion Goldfield High School in 1986 and attended ICCC. He married Christine Fredrickson and the couple later divorced.

Jim did carpentry, worked at Misty Harbor and Sears, and was currently employed with Fort Dodge Ford. On September 4, 2010, Jim married Judy Milliken. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, woodworking, horseshoes, attending grandchildren's events and taking them to school. He had collections of lighters, steins and hunting decoys. Hunting with his father and son, fishing, being with grandchildren and big Sunday breakfasts were among his favorite things.

His wife Judy preceded him in death on March 6, 2021. He was also preceded in death by his father James Nelson Sr. Survivors include his children Kenny (Brittany) Nelson of Hawaii and Nickedda (Bradley) Conklin of Scranton, Iowa; stepchildren, Brenda (Boyd) Nelson of Clearwater, FL, Anthony Trueblood and Kenneth (Kathy) Trueblood all of Fort Dodge, Cyndee (Rob) Westrum of Otho; his mother, JoAnn Nelson of Goldfield; his sister Jody (Jerry) Reeb of Maxwell, niece Morgan (Chris); 15 grandchildren, 20 great grandchildren, several aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Jim had a special relationship with his grandson Braxton and huge heart for helping those with special needs. Memorials may be directed towards the Special Olympics.

https://support.specialolympics.org/a/give-in-your-state?state=ia&sourceid=1041156&ms=google-iowa&gclid=Cj0KCQjwpdqDBhCSARIsAEUJ0hNEs5DDavyGKShRa1zR8PtYLZv0HmCZZnTt9PGsipeAzR5TvotzF24aAgiaEALw_wcB

Events

APR **Visitation** 02:00PM - 03:00PM

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Gunderson Funeral Home & Cremation Services
1615 North 15th Street, Fort Dodge, IA, US, 50501

APR **Celebration Of Life** 03:00PM

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Comments



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jim Nelson Jr..



April 18 at 10:57 AM



“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Nicki Klindt - April 18 at 01:26 AM



“ 22 files added to the tribute wall



Nicki Klindt - April 18 at 01:07 AM



“ Jim was always such a goofball with Braxton his grandson. They used to wrestle and get into very loud rambunctious tickle fights, Braxton practically peed his pants every time lol. He made my grandma feel young again and gave her a 2nd chance at a life she wouldn't have had had she stayed where she was. I know she really enjoyed going fishing by the river with Jim. He made her happy and for that I owe him my gratitude. May they rest in peace in paradise together with their "pickle butt" Chaos.



Nicki R Klindt - April 18 at 12:40 AM



“ I am so saddened by the loss of Jim, and Judy as well. Jim has always been a good friend for many many years. He had a huge heart and would help anybody if they needed. I'll never forget the amazing work and talent he had for making a dollhouse for his daughter. He took great pride in making sure it was perfect for her. I was also amazed by his collection of lighters and the special cases he created to showcase them. A very talented man he was! I recently had thought of him and I wanted to stop by for a quick visit but unfortunately couldn't make that happen that day. Rest easy Jimmy. Judy is waiting for you I'm sure with open arms. She truly loved you! Both of you will be missed:(



Gina Rowley - April 16 at 03:26 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Jim Nelson Jr..



April 15 at 03:43 PM



“ My Uncle Jimmy was a loving, easy going guy who loved working with his hands and enjoyed the outdoors. Watching him tease my mom (his sister Jody) at family holidays was one of my favorite things about celebrations at Grandma's house. I'm beyond thankful that he was able to attend my wedding this past June where we were able to get a great picture! We had the honor and privilege of spending Easter with him and we didn't leave without a few good belly laughs. There is a sense of peace and comfort knowing that he is safe in the hands of God, his dad and his wife.

Uncle Jimmy said it best,
"Loves"

-Morgan



Morgan Balaski - April 15 at 11:42 AM



“ Terri Nelson lit a candle in memory of Jim Nelson Jr.



Terri Nelson - April 14 at 09:48 PM



“ Ed & Terri Nelson lit a candle in memory of Jim Nelson Jr.



Ed & Terri Nelson - April 14 at 09:46 PM