



James Edward Peterson

September 20, 1941 - October 16, 2008

James Edward Peterson was born on September 20, 1941 in Greeley , Nebraska to Jerald and Mary (Fenton) Peterson. He grew up on the family farms near Springfield, Nebraska, and later near Spalding , Nebraska where he attended rural elementary schools. He attended and graduated from Spalding Academy High School in 1959. As a young boy, Jim was active in work around the farm and enjoyed playing football. Following high school, Jim enlisted in the United States Navy and served his country from August of 1959 to August of 1962 with 20 months of Foreign Service including time in Japan .

Jim married Ruby Tierney on April 20, 1963 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Spalding , Nebraska and to this union four children were born: Mark, Jim, Mike and Julie. Jim and Ruby have raised their family in the Omaha area.

Jim worked on the Boys Town farm for a short time before going to work at Kellogg as a maintenance mechanic, retiring in 1996 after 30 years. Jim had a passion for his horses and enjoyed Trail Rides, Parades and Rodeos. He liked to search auctions and sales for farm equipment and other collectables. Jim was a member of the Millard American Legion Post #374 and VFW Post #8336. Jim received great pleasure from assisting his children with any project he could. He was focused on family and connected with his grandchildren on a very intimate level. In recent times, Jim could be seen driving around, checking crops, farms and neighbors.

Jim passed away on Thursday, October 16, 2008 at the Methodist Hospital in Omaha , Nebraska at the age of 67 years and 20 days. He was preceded in death by his parents, Jerald and Mary. Jim is survived by his wife Ruby of Omaha, Nebraska; sons and daughters-in-law Mark and Kate of Ashland, Nebraska, Jim of Omaha and Mike and Gilma of Omaha, Nebraska; daughter and son-in-law Julie and Troy Daly of Omaha, Nebraska; grandchildren Sierra, Rachael, Holly, Marshal, Micah, Blake, Taylor and Madison; brothers and sisters-in-law Leo and Rosie of Plattsmouth, Nebraska, Tom and Veronica of Goddard, Kansas and Robert and Jeannie of Elkhorn, Nebraska; sisters and brother-in-law Agnes and Richard Hinkle of Spalding, Nebraska and Patricia Plosky of Northville, Michigan

Tribute Wall



“ *James Edward Peterson*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *Aunt Ruby, Mark, Jim, Mike, and Julie,
I hope when you take Sierra to college or go visit her, you will stop
bye on your way down or when you are heading home. If she needs
anything have her call us. I love all of you and miss you guys with all
my heart. I will miss uncle speed more than you'll ever know. I hope
you only remember the good times. LOVE AND HUGS Teri*

Teri Wetta - October 19, 2008 at 08:36 AM



“ *Aunt Ruby, Mark, Jim, Mike and Julie,
I will miss your dad so. I loved him like my own. He gave some of
my greatest gifts a person could give me; Love, Hugs, Kisses and
the best one PEPSI. I will always remember all the horse shows and
Sarpy county fairs he came to. He would wish me luck and to see
how I did with her. He always laughed when my dad and I would tell
him how we (PEPSI AND I) beat all those big horses. Then I would
remind him how she had the biggest heart and would never let me
down. Thank you for trusting me enough to use Julies pride and
Joy. I am so sorry I missed saying good bye to my uncle speed.
John's grandfather passed away the next day. My thoughts and
prayers are with all of you at this time. Love Teri*

Teresa (Teri) Wetta (Peterson) - October 18, 2008 at 11:48 AM

RN

“ Dear Ruby & Family and all of Jim's brothers and sisters, Our thoughts and prayers are with you all now and in the days ahead. What I remember about my cousin is his BIG heart, BIG smile and BIG sense of humor. A few years back, Ruth and I were in a small cafe in Kimball, Nebraska. We looked across the room and there sat Jim. We had the best visit. Our deepest Sympathy.

Ron and Rita (Fenton) Kephart Mitchell Nebraska - October 18, 2008 at 11:28 AM

DW

“ Ruby & family. I was so sorry to hear of Jim's passing. I visit the old neighborhood from time to time & remember with fondness how close everyone was as neighbors. You & your family are in my prayers.

Diane Wilson - October 18, 2008 at 09:39 AM

JE

“ Ruby and children,

So sorry to hear of your loss. May God's love strengthen you through this time of sorrow. I have fond memories of your family when we would all play at my farm as children. When I drive by your old place, I often think of you all.

Joni (Rix) Eitzmann

Joni (Rix) Eitzmann - October 17, 2008 at 01:13 PM

MB

“Pete and family --- You are in my thoughts in prayers. May good memories carry you through this time of sorrow. Just have faith and remember he is no longer in pain, and is in a better place. It is really tough to lose someone close, but with faith in God and love of friends the days will get easier! Mom "B"

Marilyn Behrens - October 17, 2008 at 01:10 PM

BB

“Mike & Family,
We are so sorry to hear of your loss. We truly understand the pain you are feeling at this time. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.
Love, Behrens family

Bob & Julie Behrens, Meredith, Avery & Baylor - October 17, 2008 at 11:42 AM

RH

“Dear Ruby and family, Aggie, Leo, Tom, Bob, Patty and families:
My witty and dear cousin Jim, was a wonderful man. He will be greatly missed.
You have my deepest sympathy in your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.
Love, Ruth(Fenton)Heustis - Fort Collins CO
(Jim and Darlene's daughter)

Ruth (Fenton) Heustis - October 17, 2008 at 09:26 AM