



James Eric Griesinger

September 29, 1959 - December 27, 2023

ADRIAN- James “Jim” Eric Griesinger, 64, of Adrian, Michigan died on December 27, 2023.

Jim was born on September 29, 1959 in Tecumseh, MI one of six children to Harry and Ruth (Wooster) Griesinger. He graduated from Adrian High School in 1977.

In 1978, Jim entered the United States Army and during his years in the military he earned many awards for his marksmanship as a sharpshooter and expert with the M-16 rifle. While he was stationed in Germany, Jim met his future wife, Birgit Behrens. Jim and Birgit were united in marriage on December 7, 1982 in Sonderborg, Denmark and recently celebrated their 41st anniversary.

Jim was an over the road truck driver for more than 30 years. He logged millions of miles and had many adventures on his travels. During this time, he was a car hauler where he delivered specialty cars to numerous celebrities. Jim didn't need directions to get to his destinations as he knew the highways from experience, he especially liked driving in the mountains and the spectacular views.

Jim's sense of humor was always present in his contagious laugh and never-ending supply of jokes and funny stories. Jim belonged to St. Matthews Lutheran Church in Adrian. Jim enjoyed bow and rifle hunting, along with fishing when he had the chance to be out in nature. A loyal sports fan, Jim always cheered on his Green Bay Packers and Tigers, and Michigan

Wolverines when they were playing on television. When it was NASCAR season you would find Jim tuned in and ready for the start of the race; with Jeff Gordon being his favorite driver. When Jim wasn't on the road driving, you could find him spending time with his children and grandchildren. He always made time for his family and the title of "Opa" was his favorite.

In addition to his wife, Birgit, Jim is survived by their children, Dean (Claudia) Griesinger, Kevin (Emily) Griesinger and Nicole Griesinger; 14 wonderful grandchildren; and siblings, Janet Huff, Sherrie Paulette, John (June) Griesinger and Jeanne (Joseph) Musto. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Gereald Griesinger; and brother-in-law, Gary Paulette.

Following Jim's wishes, cremation will take place, and a memorial service will be held on Friday, January 5 at 2:00pm with visitation beginning at 1:00pm, at Wagley Funeral Home in Adrian. Arrangements have been entrusted to Wagley Funeral Home, Adrian, where online condolences and memories may be shared at www.WagleyFuneralHomes.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JAN 5. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Wagley Funeral Home (Adrian)
1501 W. Maumee St.
Adrian, MI 49221
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

FH

“ From ; The B Hive purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of James Eric Griesinger.



From ; The B Hive - January 05, 2024 at 10:10 AM

FH

“ From ; The B Hive planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Eric Griesinger.

From ; The B Hive - January 05, 2024 at 10:10 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Eric Griesinger.



January 04, 2024 at 01:39 PM

EE

“ Eye Center of Lenawee and Brooklyn Eye planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Eric Griesinger.

Eye Center of Lenawee and Brooklyn Eye - January 04, 2024 at 01:39 PM



“ 2 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Wagley Funeral Home - January 04, 2024 at 12:39 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray* was purchased for the family of James Eric Griesinger.



January 04, 2024 at 10:48 AM



“ *NARS Family* purchased the *Serene Reflections Bouquet* for the family of James Eric Griesinger.



NARS Family - January 04, 2024 at 08:48 AM

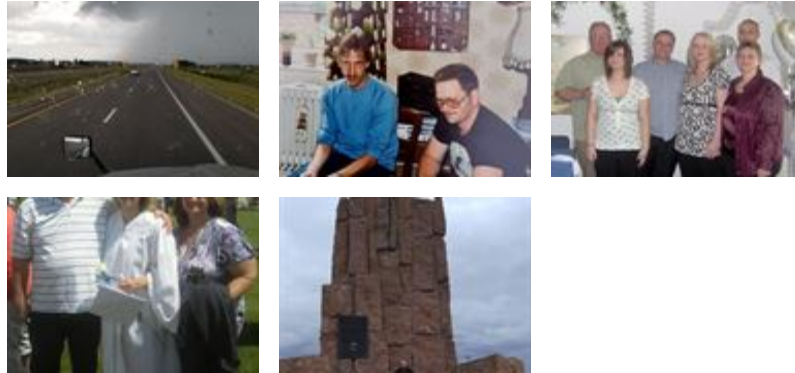


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NARS Family - January 04, 2024 at 08:48 AM



“ 118 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Wagley Funeral Home - January 03, 2024 at 04:31 PM

NG

“ *Forever missing you Dad.*



Nicole Griesinger - January 01, 2024 at 08:31 AM

PS

“ *Jim had a laugh that always makes you smile. The last time I saw Jim all he talked about was his family and how much he loved Birgit. God Bless and have a wonderful journey. Heaven's gonna love that laugh!*

Peter Stetler - December 31, 2023 at 04:42 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James Eric Griesinger.



December 31, 2023 at 04:25 PM



“ From your Lowes Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Eric Griesinger.

From your Lowes Family - December 31, 2023 at 04:25 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Eric Griesinger.



December 31, 2023 at 01:41 PM



“ The Brousseau's planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Eric Griesinger.

The Brousseau's - December 31, 2023 at 01:41 PM

LR

“ We always enjoyed seeing Jim. His great smile and up beat attitude seemed to be never ending. He also had another gifted ability, Jim sang at our church with such feeling, "I Can Only Imagine" I will always cherish that memory. Happy to have known him. This ole world could be a better place with more Jim's in it. Our thoughts and prayers to his family.

Louis Rockwood - December 31, 2023 at 01:28 PM

SW

“ I remember jim's quirky sense of humor. Always a joke or prank. Condolences to the family. Praying for all of you

Sheila Warner - December 31, 2023 at 01:10 PM



“ I met Jim in Germany later he got Married to my Bestfriend Birgit Griesinger /Behrens we stand in contact to all the Years they Visit Us in Kentucky and Here in Indiana You will be missed Jim



Marion Wilburn - December 31, 2023 at 12:58 PM