



## James W. Tibbs

May 24, 1934 - August 9, 2016

Blissfield—James 'Jim' W. Tibbs, age 82, of Blissfield, went to be with his Lord on Tuesday, August 9, 2016.

James Walter Tibbs was born on May 24, 1934, in Detroit, MI to Jack and Teresa (Cissell) Tibbs. On September 14, 1958, Jim married the love of his life, Evelyn 'Jeanette' Rigdon in Jackson, MI.

Jim's family moved from Detroit to the Manitou Beach area in 1942. He attended Addison Schools, graduating in 1952, where he was very active in football and basketball. He proudly served in the Army during the late 50's in Germany. Jim and his brother Jack took over the family business, Tibbs IGA grocery store in Manitou Beach. When the family later expanded their business to Blissfield, Jim and Jeanette moved to Blissfield to manage the store there. Although Jim and Jeanette lived in Blissfield, they were very close to their Manitou Beach family and friends.

Being an avid fan of youth sports, Blissfield American Legion baseball was especially important to Jim. Community service and civic organizations played a big part in Jim's life. He was a life time member of Zenobia Shriners of Toledo, the Palmyra Masonic Lodge #184 F and AM, the Lenawee Country Club, where he once served as president, the Blissfield American Legion, and the Devil's Lake Yacht Club.

Since 1984, Jim and Jeanette wintered in Carefree, Arizona, he enjoyed fishing, golfing and fine dining. Family was very important to Jim, he was definitely a family man who loved his wife, children, grandchildren, as well as

his extended family members.

Survivors include his wonderful wife, Jeanette; daughter Jeana Tibbs Jordan; grandchildren, Christopher Jordan and Kathleen Jordan; sister Jane Clark; and sister in law, Chris Tibbs.

In addition to his parents, Jim was preceded in death by his son, Sam in 2013, brother Jack Tibbs and son-in-law, Mark S. Jordan.

A memorial Celebration of Life for James will be held 11 am, Tuesday, August 16, 2016 at the Wagley Funeral Home, Tagsold Chapel in Blissfield with Rev. Douglas Holmes officiating. Burial will follow at Pleasant View Cemetery in Blissfield. Visiting hours will be Monday August 15, from 2 to 4 pm and 6 to 8 pm at the funeral home. A Masonic Service will be held Monday evening at 8 pm at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to Hospice of Lenawee, or The Wounded Warriors Project, or to the charity of the donor's choice. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Online condolences are welcomed to the family at [www.WagleyFuneralHome.com](http://www.WagleyFuneralHome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *James W. Tibbs*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *My condolences to the Tibbs family, may these promises from the Bible bring them comfort. Jehovah God is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are discouraged. And he will wipe away the tears from all faces. Psalms 34:18; Isaiah 25:8. Peace be with you.*

Michelle E. - August 14, 2016 at 11:00 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James W. Tibbs.*



August 14, 2016 at 12:38 PM



“ *Blissfield has lost a great friend and neighbor. My deepest sympathies. God bless.*

*Douglas M Winkler*

Douglas M Winkler - August 14, 2016 at 10:04 AM

BS

“ I loved going to Basha's and getting the crab for our surf and turf dinners last year!! I am thankful for the time that we had last year too. Aunt Jeanette, Jeanna, Katie, Christopher, Mom, and Aunt Chris we love you so much. Uncle Jim and Aunt Jeanette taught us to ski at the Irish Hills ski resort!! Aunt Jeanette our favorite Christmas present was that BONGO BOARD! We love you so much!!!

barbara and Mike switalski - August 12, 2016 at 05:06 PM

EH

“ Evelyn H. lit a candle in memory of James W. Tibbs



Evelyn H. - August 12, 2016 at 12:29 PM

NW

I was so sad to hear of Mr. Tibbs passing. What a dear and close friend he was to my father William Raymond. He always had kind words to say and always gave the best hugs. He will be missed here on earth, but I know from all the pictures of the parties my parents had with the Tibbs that he is celebrating and having a good time in heaven. My love goes out to his family, but especially the love of his life, Jeanette. Prayers to you on this difficult journey. Hugs! Nancy Raymond

Nancy Raymond Wiesman - August 15, 2016 at 02:28 PM