



James R. Jackson

November 6, 1963 - April 9, 2021

James R. Jackson, Jr., after a month-long struggle with COVID-19 complications, passed away in the afternoon of April 9, 2021, at Methodist Hospital in Des Moines. He was born to James and Darla Jackson on November 6, 1963, in Mt Pleasant, Iowa. He married Tonya McMurray in 2014.

Jim was a 1982 graduate of Ottumwa High School. He was a lover of literature, music, theater, nature, and all things Scottish and Irish. He often wished that Ottumwa High School had offered Gaelic as a foreign language. He is survived by his wife, Tonya; three daughters: Kristen, Ruth Anne, and Mary; three stepchildren: Natasha, P.J., and Collen; a grandson, Liam; a sister, Denise Barrett; his parents; and a number of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Langkamp Funeral Chapel and Crematory of Oskaloosa is in charge of the arrangements. His body has been cremated, and there are no services planned, per Jim's wishes.

Tribute Wall



“ *James R. Jackson*

October 05, 2023 at 11:57 PM



“ *He was a great person and alway loved to go camping with the group (clan of the travelling spirits flying his flags and bringing his scottish traditions to the camp and just being himself. We all will miss him very much*

Heather smith - April 20, 2021 at 05:16 PM



“ *James was an amazing Step-Dad. I think of him often and wish we could have visited more. We kept in touch for the last 18 years and I've gotten to know Tonya well. I am so happy he found her. I will never forget our memories. One of my favorites was when I came to visit and he told my Mom, Nancy, and I that to test the spaghetti noodles we had to see if they would stick to the wall. He laughed at us as we tossed noodles all over the kitchen. I miss them both very very deeply and wish condolences to all of his family.*

Amy J Barnes (Govig) - April 15, 2021 at 08:09 AM



“ *Tasha sent a virtual gift in memory of James R. Jackson*



Tasha - April 14, 2021 at 02:42 PM

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“ *He was the best dad in the whole world I remember he always tease me about the boys he said if anything happened to I'll go after them I love you dad so much miss u everyday*

Tasha - April 14, 2021 at 02:41 PM

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“ *Paulette Schneider lit a candle in memory of James R. Jackson*



Paulette Schneider - April 11, 2021 at 11:02 AM

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My heart goes out to Jims's family. May God bless and comfort you during this time of sorrow

Eli E. Ward - April 13, 2021 at 04:25 PM