



James Neil Dyer

December 3, 1927 - September 9, 2023

James Neil (Jim) Dyer, 95, passed away peacefully at 1:10 pm on September 9, 2023 at Community South hospital in Indianapolis with family by his side. Jim was born December 3rd, 1927, in Arlington and was the eldest son of Clarence and Ruth Dyer.

Jim worked with his father on modern farming techniques and won the Rush County Corn King in 1944 at the age of 16 – the youngest ever to hold the title. He graduated from Mays High School in 1945. He began to farm with his father until drafted into the Korean War in 1951. He served in the Army Corps of Engineers, earning an expert marksman badge and serving in Panama until honorably discharged as a corporal in 1953. After the Army, he began to take courses for tool and die in Indianapolis when a professor recommended that he should study engineering at Purdue's main campus. In 1958, Jim graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering with highest distinction and was a member of Omega Chi Epsilon, Phi Eta Sigma, Phi Lambda Upsilon, and Tau Beta Pi honor societies. He remained a strong Boilermaker fan throughout his life.

Jim began his career in chemical engineering with Victor Chemical Works (later purchased by Stauffer Chemical) in Chicago Heights, Illinois. While there, he met Marva Lee Meyer and they married on June 24, 1962. Starting a family with two boys, Steve and Greg, they soon were transferred to New City, New York. During his time there, he received four patents.

Jim's priorities in life were his faith in God and his family. In 1974, he and

Marva moved back to Carthage to raise their sons and help his father with the family farm. Jim was active at Center Christian Church for 48 years, serving as Elder and Sunday school teacher.

Jim is survived by brother Phillip Dyer, sister Deloris Hermann, children Steve (Jill) Dyer, Greg (Janet) Dyer. He took special joy in his grandchildren and is survived by Greg Alan and Neil Dyer, Kelly, Michele, Eric (Shaina), Nathan, and Joseph Dyer, and great-grandchildren Cameron Dyer and Margo Dyer. He is preceded in death by his wife, parents, and sisters Marjorie Cockerham and Eleanor Bonne.

Most importantly, Jim became a believer in Jesus Christ at age 11 while attending Hannegan Christian Church. Jim will be remembered as a God-loving, quiet, hard-working, generous, wise man who cared about others. Services will be held at 11 AM Thursday, September 14, 2023 in the Center Christian Church where friends are welcome to visit the family from 9:30AM until time of service. He will be buried at Center Christian Church cemetery. Military rites will be provided by the Rush County Veteran's Honor Guard. Memorial contributions may be sent to Center Christian Church, 9112 N 50 W, Knightstown, IN 46148.

Moster Mortuary, Rushville, entrusted with arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **14.** 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Center Christian Church
9112 N 50 W
Knightstown, IN 46148
(765) 645-5348

Service

SEP **14.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

FM

“ Frank Mallard planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Neil Dyer.

Frank Mallard - September 13, 2023 at 02:21 PM

FM

“ Frank Mallard purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of James Neil Dyer.



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“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Neil Dyer.



September 13, 2023 at 07:50 AM



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Greg Raike - September 12, 2023 at 05:52 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Neil Dyer.

September 12, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of James Neil Dyer.



September 12, 2023 at 04:24 PM



“ *Sue Bearhope lit a candle in memory of James Neil Dyer*



Sue Bearhope - September 12, 2023 at 12:44 PM

JP

“ Jim was a quiet, intelligent, and good man. His biggest attribute, a good Christian man. There is no doubt in our minds that Jim is celebrating right now in Heaven. Jim and Judy Powers

James Powers - September 11, 2023 at 07:50 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Neil Dyer.



September 11, 2023 at 06:36 PM



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GD

“ My first time fishing was- at a little pond a few miles from Shively's Corner, going South on Rushville road. My Grandad, my Dad and I went fishing, caught a mess of bluegills at Hunsinger's pond. Dad and I went on to fish together fairly regularly and had a few amazing fishing trips on Lake Michigan and Lake Erie. Those are my times with Dad that I value the most and will never forget. Even on a rare occasion when the fish weren't biting, we were out on the water together and that was great. I had just recently gotten permission to fish from current owner of that pond down the angling road. We didn't make that one, but I plan to catch a few fish there for the both of us.

Gregory Neil Dyer - September 11, 2023 at 05:19 PM

GM

“ Gary N Jan McDaniel lit a candle in memory of James Neil Dyer



Gary n Jan McDaniel - September 11, 2023 at 01:26 PM

NM

RIP Mr Dyer. You will not be forgotten. A real gentleman.

Nancy . Myers - September 13, 2023 at 10:50 PM