



James R. Rubarts

June 10, 1940 - June 5, 2020

James (Jim) R. Rubarts, 79, of Paxton passed away on Friday, June 5, 2020 at Accolade Healthcare of Paxton on Pells Street. He was born on June 10, 1940 in Russell Springs, Kentucky, the son of Hollis and Eula (Delk) Rubarts.

Jim worked as a Union Brick Mason for many years. He enjoyed his time as a warehouseman for EIEC for 16 years. He was an auctioneer and had a passion for farming and a love for the timber where he raised cattle and horses. He enjoyed having a cup of coffee and visiting with his friends at The Arcade. He took pride in traveling to watch his grandkids sporting events. Jim loved to listen to music and sing whenever given the opportunity. His song of choice was "Workin' Man Blues" by Merle Haggard.

He is survived by three sons, Jeff (Lynn) Rubarts of Paxton, Matt (Yoko) Rubarts of California, Monty (Hazel) Rubarts of California; two brothers, Charley (Marsha) Rubarts of Champaign, Jerry Rubarts of Rantoul; one sister, Lily (Wendell) Watson of Ludlow, five grandchildren, Thomas (Lauren), Taylor, Tyler, Leon, Mika; one great grandchild, Calvin.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Francis Bermingham, and one brother, Phil Rubarts.

Visitation will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM at

Cox-Knapp Funeral Home in Paxton. Private family funeral services will be held the following day with burial at Elmwood Cemetery in Rantoul, IL.

Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association or Carle Hospice.

Please sign his guestbook at www.coxknapp.com

Cemetery Details

Elmwood Cemetery

Rantoul, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 9. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Cox-Knapp Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall

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“ To the family of Jim Rubarts,
You have my sympathy. I have fond memories of Jim when he was building our fireplace forty one years ago, from bricks from the old Onarga State Bank. He cleaned many of the bricks and laid the bricks, with a inset of a barn beam. The rest of the barn beam became the mantle. It was a special structure and is as sturdy now as when it was built. I know you will cherish your own memories. Remembering you in thought and prayer.
Nancy Dewey

Nancy Dewey - June 11, 2020 at 11:22 PM

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“ So sorry to hear of Jim's passing my sympathy to Rubarts family's

Ken Duffin - June 09, 2020 at 09:49 PM



“ Love's Embrace Roses – White was purchased for the family of James R. Rubarts.



June 08, 2020 at 04:03 PM

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“ Our prayers for the family. Tim and Linda Glazik - RIP Jim

Linda Glazik - June 08, 2020 at 07:53 AM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of James R. Rubarts.



June 08, 2020 at 02:29 AM



“ Healing Tears - All White was purchased for the family of James R. Rubarts.



June 07, 2020 at 07:14 PM



“ Sincerest Sorrow - Blue and White was purchased for the family of James R. Rubarts.



June 07, 2020 at 01:05 PM



“ My deepest sympathy to Jeff and the entire family. Your dad was such a kind man and I loved his laugh. I will keep you in my thought and prayers in this difficult time.



Shalyn Darr-Pettman - June 07, 2020 at 11:07 AM

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“ *Jim was an amazing man. I grew up down the road from him and spent a lot of time in his timber and with his horses which several of them ended up staying at our house. Thoughts and prayers to all that knew and loved Jim he will be deeply missed.*

Tim Cahill - June 07, 2020 at 12:44 AM