



## James C. Murphree

October 12, 1941 - June 26, 2021

James Conrad Murphree, age 79, of Royal Oak, passed away on June 26, 2021.

Beloved husband of the late Jeanette (passed in 2011).

Loving father of Michael, Brenda, Kenneth, and Paula. Proud grandfather of Ashley, Daniel, Jake, Bradley, Julia, and Geena. Dear brother of Wayne, Sharon, and Kathy. Predeceased by his parents, Walter and Pauline Murphree; his brother, Charles; and sister, Neva.

Above all else, James was passionate about his grandchildren-spending time with them and watching them grow up.

Visitation will take place on Wednesday, June 30, from 3 - 8 p.m. at Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Rd., Royal Oak. Funeral service will take place Thursday, 10:00 a.m., at the funeral home. Burial to follow at Oakview Cemetery in Royal Oak.

Memorial contributions to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation are appreciated.

Share a memory at [www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Oakview Cemetery

1032 N. Main Street  
(south of 12 Mile Road)  
Royal Oak, MI 48067

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 30.** 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak  
705 W. Eleven Mile Road  
Royal Oak, MI 48067  
(248) 541-7000  
royal@sullivanfh.com  
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/>

## Funeral Service

**JUL 1.** 10:00 AM (ET)

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## Burial

JUL 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

Oakview Cemetery  
1032 N. Main Street  
Royal Oak, MI 48067

# Tribute Wall



“ *Great Guy and "Dad". I will miss him. DN*

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**DNoffert** - July 02, 2021 at 08:11 AM

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“ James was my friend, and I miss him.

*I first met him at the Henry Ford Elementary School in Highland Park in the 1950's. I remember he came into our class room and Mrs. Tucker introduced him to the class, saying this is a new student, Jim Murphree. James looked a little nervous and walked in. The kids all said hi and then he came to the back of the classroom (where I always went to avoid the teacher). I said hi, do you go by Jim or James, and said he didn't care, so we shook hands, and from then on I always called him James.*

*Our close group grew up together, Wayne, James, Charles, Mike, Calvin, Earl and Dave and Bob Williamson and me, and we had great times together all the way through high school. It was an exciting time, and we all had cars that always needed repairing. (In fact all the guys helped me sand my 1954 Ford that Mr Murphree painted in his garage.*

*The fond memories I have of those days, still stay with me, and bring me a happy feeling of something special. There are so many memories of fishing, going to Canada, driving in Wayne's Ford Continental convertible (that only got 13 miles to the gallon).*

*I am so happy I was able to make contact with James over the last several months before his passing. He sounded great and still had the same great laugh and seemed to enjoy our remembering the past. I feel such a sense of loss and sadness for not having made contact before this year.*

*James was always special. He had a great sense of humor, and such a feeling of love for his family. I have so many wonderful experiences in my memory, and know we all lost someone special.*

*Good buy my friend,*

*Terry Wilson*

*June 30, 2021*

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**Michael Murphree** - July 02, 2021 at 07:40 AM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of James C. Murphree.*



June 30, 2021 at 12:51 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James C. Murphree.*



June 30, 2021 at 10:50 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James C. Murphree.*



June 29, 2021 at 06:38 PM



“ *The summer I spent living at Kenny's house after my parent's moved to PA. The times on the river fishing in Mike's boat with Kenny, Jim and the crew were great memories. Jim would fry up those Walleye we brought back to Blair Ave and they were delicious.*

*Miss Royal Oak.*

*Jon U*

**Jon Upton** - June 29, 2021 at 03:34 PM

MM

*Thanks Jon, I remember those times with fond memories.*

Michael Murphree - July 02, 2021 at 08:00 AM

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“ 89 files added to the album *Family & Friends*



Michael Murphree - June 29, 2021 at 12:23 PM

MM

“ 2 files added to the album *Family*



Michael Murphree - June 29, 2021 at 12:20 PM



*The family photos are priceless! Those and the memories will last a life time. Your dad closed his eyes in this world and opened them with Jesus and your mom. Our deepest sympathy to the entire family. John and Kathleen*

Kathleen Keith - June 30, 2021 at 03:13 PM

MM

“ 1 file added to the album Family



Michael Murphree - June 29, 2021 at 12:19 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James C. Murphree.



June 29, 2021 at 08:53 AM



“ Rainbow Of Remembrance Spray was purchased for the family of James C. Murphree.



June 29, 2021 at 08:27 AM

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“ Continental Automotive, BU PSS AH. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James C. Murphree.



Continental Automotive, BU PSS AH. - June 28, 2021 at 05:02 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of James C. Murphree.



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June 28, 2021 at 04:21 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of James C. Murphree.



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June 28, 2021 at 03:24 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray* was purchased for the family of James C. Murphree.



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June 27, 2021 at 10:12 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of James C. Murphree.



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June 26, 2021 at 06:55 PM