



James J. Nantais

April 25, 1935 - April 9, 2014

James J. Nantais, age 78, of Clinton Twp., formerly of Sterling Heights, passed away April 9, 2014 at Henry Ford Macomb Hospital. James was an avid card player, especially loved playing Euchre. He loved the Detroit sports teams and was a great horse racing fan. Beloved husband of Pat. Dear father of Denise Wethy, Dan Erin Nantais, David Dawn Nantais, James Diane Nantais, Jr., Julie Burke and Judy Nizar Slama. Loving grandfather of 15 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren. Dear brother of Tom Marian Nantais and the late Melvin, Donald, Howard, Shirley and Kathleen. Pre-deceased by parents Albert and Clara Grones Nantais. A Celebration of Life visitation will be at Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Rd. 3 blks. E. of Van Dyke Utica on Sunday from 2:00 - 8:00 p.m. Memorial Mass Monday 10:00 a.m. at St. Matthias Catholic Church, 12509 19 Mile Rd., Sterling Heights. Memorials suggested to St. Matthias Catholic Church. Please share a memory at www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com.

Tribute Wall

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“*Dad, God blessed you, Mom, your kids, grandkids and anybody who had the good fortune to know you. Your life is an example to all of us about priorities and what is REALLY important in life. You were a kind, gentle, caring and selfless man who didn't judge people. I hope to be half the man you were. Your legacy and example will live on in your children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. It was a real tear-jerker at your Mass when we all learned that you used to drop candy off to the church office every Friday. That was just like you-----a kind, caring gesture without anyone knowing about it. I KNOW where you are and I am very happy for you! Dad, I figured out something: I don't think it's a coincidence that you passed away right about the time the Red Wings clinched a playoff spot! As bad as their luck was this year and everyone worrying about them making the playoffs, them clinching it must have made you feel like you had "died and gone to heaven".....so you did! Please put in a good word with God about our sports teams---especially the Lions---you were a newlywed the last time they won anything! Dad, you were a great role model and your actions and examples spoke louder than your words-----the best kind of sermon! p.s. you have the distinction of knowing that a very loud, off-key Happy Birthday wish was sung to Dawn IN the funeral home-----the first time in the history of mankind! Enjoy heaven, Dad---you've earned it! Love, Dan, Erin Paul and Tara*

Dan, Erin, Paul and Tara - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“*My most heartfelt condolences to Aunt Pat and all the family. I have such happy memories of Uncle Jim...such a kind and gentle soul. I know he will be sorely missed by so many. Heaven has been blessed with a special angel. Rest in peace, Uncle Jim.*

Jackie Nantais Prince - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear Jim, May the road rise up to meet you. May the wind be always at your back. May the sun shine warm upon your face; the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of His hand. Through thick and thin, A very caring husband, you are. Dr. Dimson & staff

Dr Dimson - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Jim, as I told you years ago, if I could have hand picked a father, you would be it! I envy your children to have had a father as you. Gentleness, caring and humor all rolled into one.

Dawn Nantais - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Uncle Jim you will be missed by so many! Thanks for many enjoyable memories! Loved playing cards with you and the family, Elio Steve didn't lose a brother in law he lost a great friend. Thanks for being his friend: Till we all meet again.....Love, Laureen

Laureen konopka - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dad, thank you for being my best friend. I will always cherish our talks and will miss them dearly. Please always look over us like you have all these years. You are loved more than all the words can describe. Keep cheering for your favorite teams. RIP Dad

Dave Nantais - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM