



James Owen McDonough

September 26, 1941 - July 30, 2024

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Lifelong resident of Detroit and Warren, Jim passed away peacefully at Regency of Shelby Township after a short illness, Aged 82

Friends and family, were able to visit Jim in the days preceding his death. Even at the end, Jim was a trusted source of humor and good conversations. Jim is survived by a brother Emmett (Mickey) McDonough of Benton Harbor, Michigan.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents Emmett and Mary McDonough (nee Salley) and his life-partner Ralph Kingsley.

Ralph was the apple of Jim's eye for many years, they entertained, traveled and built a life with numerous close friends to last a lifetime.

Jim is also survived by several cousins as well as a group of great friends that will miss his humor, generosity and friendship.

There was not a cocktail lounge Jim disliked – he enjoyed entertaining with his stories while having whiskey and water. He easily made friends with anyone he met along the way and he will leave a legacy of great stories.

Godspeed to a good man.

A funeral mass will be held on Friday, August 2nd, 9:30am instate for 10am mass at St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families Catholic Church, St. Clement Parish. Private entombment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Please visit www.rudyfuneral.com to share a memory or light a candle.

Cemetery Details

Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

25800 West 10 Mile Rd
Southfield, MI 48033

Previous Events

Instate

AUG 2. 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Mary, Our Lady Queen of Families Catholic Church (St. Clement Site)
25320 Van Dyke
Center Line, MI 48015

Funeral Mass

AUG 2. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ My gosh this makes me so sad. I'm sitting here having a cocktail at a local bar with my wife. There is advertisement for a Highball Cocktail. I was telling her of a friend of mine, Jim. He made me a Highball for a Xmas drink. The last time I drank 1 ok he made me two lol. I was Jim and Ralph's mailman. They always invited me in gave me a Xmas card and a Highball. Very nice men. I loved them. I ran into Jim I'm retired now. Years latter and he rememberd me and had a nice conversation.
RIP my friend.

Robert Czanstke - February 23, 2025 at 01:49 PM

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“ I will miss seeing and waiting on you everyday and your humor..thank you for being my friend



Karen - August 04, 2024 at 11:13 PM

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“ Jimmy you will be missed.A wonderful friend thru the years. You and Ralph were so very kind. Thank you for your friendship and save me a space up there❤️🍀

Katie - August 01, 2024 at 09:13 AM