



James F. "Jim" O'Connor

November 7, 1945 - December 29, 2016

James F. "Jim" O'Connor, 71, of Hampshire passed away Thursday, Dec. 29, 2016 at Presence St. Joseph Hospital in Elgin.

He was born Nov. 7, 1945 in Chicago the son of James A. and Kathryn F. (Strubbe) O'Connor. Jim grew up in Huntley and was a member of the 1963 Class of Huntley High School. Jim became a licensed barber in 1964 and continued barbering part time for 30 years with a loyal customer base. He had worked at Dean Foods in Huntley for 36 yrs. And before that at Burlington Milk Products. He was a 40 year member of Teamsters Local #754.

Jim married Karen J. Allen on Sept. 2, 1972 at the St. Mary Catholic Church in Huntley and they have been longtime residents of Hampshire. He was active and supportive of the Hampshire Community having served on the Township Board as a trustee and as a member of the Cemetery Board. He was a founding member of the Downshifter's Car Club in Huntley and was an avid car and motorcycle buff. He was a member of the St. Charles Borromeo Church, the Elgin Moose Lodge #799 and the NRA.

Surviving are his wife of 44 years, Karen; daughter, Kelly (Tom Krauel) Galluzzo of Loves Park; son, Robert "Murph" (Mikki)

O'Connor of Marengo; 6 grandchildren, Alexis, Jack, Mark, Katherine, Milania, and Anthony; a sister Kathryn (James) Carr of Woodstock; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his brother, Edward; mother and father in law, Anna and Miles Allen; brother in law, Tim Allen; and special cousin, Robert Martin.

The Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:30 am Sat. Jan. 7, 2017 at the St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church, 297 E. Jefferson Ave., Hampshire. Burial will follow in the Doty Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 2 to 7 pm Friday, Jan 6 at the James A. O'Connor Funeral Home, 11603 E. Main St. in Huntley.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in his name may be directed to the James F. O'Connor Memorial (to benefit Jim's favorite charities), c/o James A. O'Connor FH, P.O. Box 74, Huntley, 60142.

Tribute Wall



“ *James F. "Jim" O'Connor*

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“ *We are very sorry to hear about Jim. Our deepest condolences to your family. You all will continue to be in our thoughts and prayers.*

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