



## James B. Bates

July 5, 1954 - October 3, 2010

BATES James B. "Jim" Jim Bates, 56, of Temperance, MI, passed away Sunday, October 3, 2010, at Hospice of Northwest Ohio, after a long courageous battle with cancer. He was born to James R. and Lenore Bates on July 5, 1954, in Toledo, Ohio. Jim grew up in West Toledo, attended Blessed Sacrament grade school and graduated from Roy C. Start High School in 1972. He went on to attend the University of Toledo College of Engineering. Jim was an accomplished musician and member of the Sunburst rock band that played throughout N.W. Ohio in the early 70's. After 33 years of service, Jim retired in 2006 from Chrysler Jeep Corporation as a Tool Process Engineer. He was a Local 12 UAW member. Jim was an active member of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish where he was a member of the Men of the Lighthouse group. He was also a Third Degree Knight of the Knights of Columbus. Jim was a loving husband, father, and a fun-loving "Papa" to five grandsons. His favorite moments were spent at his cabin in northern Michigan. His children and grandsons will cherish memories of fishing and exploring the northern woods with him. Jim was an avid fan of U of M football and the Detroit Tigers. He also enjoyed scuba diving, and traveling with his wife, Marcia. Together they went on several cruises throughout the Caribbean. Jim was preceded in death by his father, James R. and his sister, Mary (Schulz). He is survived by Marcia, his loving wife of 28 years; his mother, Lenore; his sister, Joyce Marie, SND; his children, Ryan Laskey (Brienne), Lisa Haas (John), and Justin Bates (Pamela); grandsons, Connor, Easton,

Nolan, Isaac and Jackson. The family will receive guests Thursday, October 7, 2:00-8:00 PM at Ansberg-West Funeral Home, 3000 Sylvania Ave., Toledo, where prayer service will be held at 7:00 PM. Prayers will begin in the funeral home at 10:15 AM Friday, October 8 and proceed to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, 8330 Lewis Ave. in Temperance, MI, for Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 AM. Interment will follow at Toledo Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation to the Prostate Cancer Foundation. Online condolences may be sent to [www.ansberg-west.com](http://www.ansberg-west.com)

# Tribute Wall

PP

“ *Marcia, You have been on my mind. I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I remember Jim as a very loving person. His love for you and the children was a bright star. I have fond memories of both you and Jim. You are a lovely lady. Patrice p\_rankin@yahoo.com*

Patrice Rankin - p\_rankin@yahoo.com p\_rankin@yahoo.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *We thank God for the short time we had with Jim, we met him in Bradenton Florida. He made his Knights of Columbus Degrees and had such a spiritual presence. May God have Mercy on his Soul! and God bless Marcia and all of Jim's family members!*

Jim & Helen Malley - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ *Lee and family -- I was so sorry to hear of Jimmy's passing. His obituary brought a memory to mind that I forgot I had -- being a little girl and visiting in your white house (where you had the dalmatian), and how cool Jimmy seemed as a young man. A rock band!... I am so very sorry for your loss. My heart goes out to all of you, and I trust that your loving family will find peace and strength from each other and your faith. In deepest sympathy and with much love--*

Melissa (Henry) Wendt - mhwendt@sbcglobal.net mhwendt@sbcglobal.net - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ *My prayers are with your entire family during this time of loss. May he rest in peace through the mercy of God.*

Anne Mitzel - anne.mitzel@dana.com anne.mitzel@dana.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KW

“ *Marcia, Justin, and family, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Jim. I have many great memories of him as well as all of you. I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Kellie (Duckworth) Wanzek** - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *Add me to the heartbroken list also. My thoughts go out to his family. Jim was one of my best friends in high school. Jim taught me how to scuba dive and we had a lot of good times. There is a short list of people you always think you will bump into and see again . Jim was certainly on top of my list . (just a super good guy)*

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**Jim Jenkins** - jayj0103@aol.com jayj0103@aol.com - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *I have many wonderful memories of Jim when we were all a lot younger - He was a fun, smart, and talented person. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you and may God bless you during this time of loss.*

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**Jan Willee (Boehm)** - jwbis@bex.net jwbis@bex.net - February 01, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ Dear Marcia and family: Please accept my sincere condolences. I am heartbroken to hear about the passing of Jim. I was unaware of his illness. We had emailed each other after the passing of his sister Mary about getting together again but unfortunately it never happened. This truly saddens me. I still remember the last time we played in the band together at my wedding 30 years ago. It seems like yesterday- but so long ago. You are in my prayers. God Bless,  
Daniel Cole

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Daniel Cole - [danielcoleco@aol.com](mailto:danielcoleco@aol.com) [danielcoleco@aol.com](mailto:danielcoleco@aol.com) - February 01, 2018  
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