



James Nicholas Hemann

October 19, 1932 - April 26, 2024

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James Nicholas Hemann, 91, of Eden Prairie, passed away peacefully on April 26, 2024, surrounded by his loving family. Preceded in death by his devoted wife of 68 years Gladys; daughter Janis; son-in-law Jim Grossman; brothers Fr. Melvin Hemann, Msgr. John Hemann, and Fr. Everett Hemann; parents Bernard and Olive Hemann; brothers-in-law Clemens Full and Helmut (Tom) Mueller. Survived by his children Mark (Sharon) Hemann, Chanhassen; Jody Grossman, Eden Prairie; Jan (John) St. Andrew, Eden Prairie; Jean (Matt) Schriener, North Oaks; siblings Kathleen Full, Sr. Camilla Hemann, Mathew (Karmen) Hemann, and Lucille Mueller; 9 grandchildren, and 5 great grandchildren.

Born on October 19, 1932, on the family farm located in Mitchell County, IA, James attended Visitation Catholic School in Stacyville, IA. After graduating high school he served in the United States Army, specializing in radio communications during the Korean War from 1952-1954.

On June 7, 1955, James married the love of his life, Gladys Goergen. They started their life together in Mason City, IA, and then Minneapolis, MN, while James completed his education at the University of Minnesota. James and Gladys had five children. Daughter Janis passed early on in her life. They

raised their four children in Waseca, MN, Clear Lake, IA, and Fargo, ND, eventually settling in Eden Prairie, MN. James' primary career was in the communications industry with E.F. Johnson Company and Trident Communications. Post retirement, he found a second rewarding career with Southwest Metro Transit.

James and Gladys frequented ballrooms early in their relationship, where James honed his smooth dancing skills with his forever partner Gladys, often to the music of the big band era. Together they loved to entertain, hosting dinner parties, holidays, and the family favorite Friday night Hemann Happy Hours. Sharing stories and making people laugh came easy to James. He was a loyal fan of the Gophers, Twins, and Vikings. Sunny days found James on a golf course with friends, or boating and picnicking with family.

James will be remembered most for his unwavering faith and his unconditional love and support for his family.

Visitation at Pax Christi Catholic Community at 12100 Pioneer Trail, Eden Prairie, MN

55347 on May 14, 2024, from 9:00 am - 11:00 am. Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 am with luncheon to follow. Private interment at Fort Snelling National Cemetery. Memorials preferred to the American Cancer Society. www.cancer.org/donate

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **14.** 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Pax Christi Catholic Church
12100 Pioneer Trail
Eden Prairie, MN 55347

Mass of Christian Burial

MAY **14.** 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

BJ

“ Prayers for all family of Jim and Gladys. Such a sweet couple - we were "row neighbors" for years at Pax Christi and it was a delight to chat with them every week! After separation on earth of just a few short months, they are now together again - for eternity; such comfort!

Ron and Becky Jensen

Becky Jensen - May 08, 2024 at 11:14 AM

SR

“ My heart has not yet healed from the loss of Gladys this past December. Now all who have loved this amazing couple are faced with the passing of Jim. Jim's gifts of kindness, caring and strength, his smile and laughter, his advice and encouragement will remain with me forever.
My life, as well as my families' has been blessed and enriched by this wonderful couple. Together again, may they now dance together forever at that never ending Happy Hour!

Love, Sue Riedel

Susan Riedel - May 02, 2024 at 10:32 AM

LW

“ Love, Kathy and Chuck Warren planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Nicholas Hemann.

Love, Kathy and Chuck Warren - May 01, 2024 at 05:06 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of James Nicholas Hemann.



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