



James "Jim" Jaroscak

January 27, 2016

James (Jim) Jaroscak, age 63 of Coon Rapids, passed away 1/27/16. Visitation Tuesday, 2/2/16, at Washburn-McReavy Coon Rapids Chapel, 1827 Coon Rapids Blvd from 4:00 PM--8:00PM. Celebration of Life, Wednesday 2/3/16, at 11 AM with visitation one hour prior at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 61 Mississippi Way NE, Fridley

Jim was born on July 13, 1952 in St. Paul and grew up in Roseville. He graduated from Mounds View High School and went on to attend St. Cloud State University. Jim worked and later owned Gregory's Shoes at Northtown for 40+ years. He married and had a son James (Jamie) and then met and married Laura BeMent in June of 1985. They had two children, Ryan and Lisa. Jim loved to be outdoors, and fishing was a favorite summer past time. He made sure his kids each had the chance to spend time at his favorite childhood resort, Sunny Point near Park Rapids and that they learned the art of waiting for the big catch. One of his favorite vacation spots was the Brainerd Lakes area, and each summer he and the family spent several weeks enjoying the lake, the fishing, and the many local attractions. He loved to cook and was a grill master no matter what the weather was like outside. Jim was so proud of his kids, and his face lit up when he talked about what they were doing and what wonderful adults they had grown into. His three grandchildren, James (Alex), Nicole and Anthony were also his pride and joy. In later years Jim convinced Laura that they should take up camping as long

as there was electricity and running water, and they both fell in love with it. This, of course, involved fishing and lots of morning and evening campfires with great food on the grill. Jim was a wonderful son, husband, father, grandfather and friend. We will miss his witty sense of humor, his wonderful smile, practical jokes along with his cooking. Thank you for blessing our lives with yours Jim. We love you. Laura, Jamie and Michelle, Ryan and Amie, Lisa, and Alex, Nicole and Anthony.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 3. 10:00 AM (CT)

Redeemer Lutheran Church- Fridley
61 Mississippi Way NE
Fridley, MN 55432

Service

FEB 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

Redeemer Lutheran Church- Fridley
61 Mississippi Way NE
Fridley, MN 55432

Tribute Wall



“ *Garden of Sweet Memories Casket Spray was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Jaroscak.*



April 18, 2016 at 08:48 PM



“ *I knew Jim by his last name because our biology teacher, Mr Brobin always used it when he told him to be quiet. I sat behind Jim and he was always turning around to talk to me and make me laugh. He was a sophomore and I was a junior but I felt much older. I remember noting one day that his slacks were really short. He said that he had grown 4 inches since school had started that year. That was part of why he looked like a big little kid. Also, he was always goofing around which was great. I, too, will always remember him with a smile on his face.
I'm so sorry for your loss.*

Sally Downing, Mounds View class of 1969

Sally Downing - February 04, 2016 at 12:24 AM



“ *Laura, Lisa and Ryan: We are so sorry to hear about Jim. He was an amazing man. We were planning on coming tonight to the visitation but due to the storm and living in the southern area - the roads are horrible. We even had school cancelled. We hope to see you soon. Thinking of all of you. You are in our prayers. The Wilson's - Scott, Shellie, Gabrielle and Kalliann*

Shellie Wilson - February 02, 2016 at 04:07 PM

 Janet Scovill

“ *Jim's smile is indeed how I will remember him. Buying shoes was never more fun! We always talked about Lisa's singing and his love for his family was obvious.*

Janet Scovill

Janet Scovill - February 02, 2016 at 11:26 AM

ME

“ *We always enjoyed shopping at Gregory's Shoes at Northtown and would often stop in when in the Mall whether or not we needed shoes that day. Jim was so pleasant and helpful and made his customers feel welcome and valued. We are saddened that his retirement years were not much longer!*

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Eaton - January 31, 2016 at 10:07 PM



“ *Garden of Memories was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Jaroscak.*



January 31, 2016 at 09:31 PM



“ *So saddened to hear news of Jim's passing. I will always remember our laughs in Junior high, college at SCSC, last few years online and at MV reunion 5 yrs ago. He was a wonderful guy. I will treasure my prayer shawl from you two. I am in Mexico and unable to attend service but send much love. - Muffie Green Davidge.*

Muffie Davidge - January 31, 2016 at 09:30 AM



“ Jim you will be remembered for your contagious smile and how your dry sense of humor could light up a room.
Your culinary skills were unmatched with your passion for charcoal grilling, not to mention your appetite for fine food like prime rib.
You have left a void in our lives and we will miss you dearly.



Lisa Fertig - January 31, 2016 at 07:42 AM



“ Jim was a wonderful human being and loved his family and his work. I'll always remember his humor and his faithfulness.
God, please welcome him into your eternal glory. You've been waiting 63 yrs to welcome your child.
God bless you Jim.

john Bartzen - January 30, 2016 at 08:16 PM



A great person, honest, funny and hardworking... It was an honor to know him as a customer, a friend and great human being! I guess God is in need of a great shoe retailer, he will be missed! Thanks for being a friend Jim!!!! Greg Buckley

greg buckley - January 31, 2016 at 10:20 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Jaroscak.



January 30, 2016 at 12:47 PM

GW

“ *The posted picture of Jim is the way I'll always remember him, with a smile and a chuckle whenever we met.*

He will be missed. His friend, Gary Walter

Gary Walter - January 30, 2016 at 09:12 AM

GL

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Cherish the wonderful memories you have. Hugs*

Ginny Luoma - January 30, 2016 at 06:24 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Jaroscak.*



January 29, 2016 at 03:58 PM

JP

“ *Jonathan E. Pugh purchased the A New Sunrise Spray for the family of James "Jim" Jaroscak.*



Jonathan E. Pugh - January 29, 2016 at 03:23 PM



*“ We knew him as “Jimmy”
Jimmy... with the ever present smile
The world was a brighter place with that smile
We will miss you,
Sis’s kids Ron, Alan, Cindy and Gary*

Cindy - January 29, 2016 at 02:59 PM



*“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for
the family of James "Jim" Jaroscak.*



January 29, 2016 at 12:09 PM



*“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the
family of James "Jim" Jaroscak.*



January 29, 2016 at 09:44 AM