



James (Jim) Gordon Kitts

August 25, 2023

Peacefully in his sleep with his family by his bedside at the age of 68 years, Jim lost his courageous battle with cancer on Friday August 25th, 2023 at the Lakeridge Health Bowmanville Hospital, Bowmanville, ON. Beloved husband, father & grandfather, Jim is survived by his loving wife & best friend Wendy of 30 years. His 3 sons Kevin (his wife Jenn), Kyle, Ken (his wife Heather), his 5 grandchildren Cody (Dari), Austin, Braeden (Aimee), Riley (Bella) & Alyssa (Harley). Jim is also survived by his closest and dearest friends for over 40 yrs. Wayne & Sharon Evans, Godfather (Uncle Jimmy) to Kayla & Nathan Evans. Predeceased are his parents Gordon & Helen Kitts from Sault Ste. Marie, ON.

In lieu of flowers & in memory of Jim Kitts, please donate to the R.S. McLaughlin Durham Region Cancer Centre, Oshawa ON or to the Lakeridge Health Bowmanville Hospital Expansion Foundation, Bowmanville ON.

In memory of Jim, the family will be celebrating the life Jim lived.

Celebration of Life for Jim will be held on Saturday September 16th, 2023 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm at the Peterborough Lions Community Centre, 347 Burnham St., Peterborough ON.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

SEP **16.** 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Peterborough Lion's Community Centre
347 Burnham Street
Peterborough, ON (CA)

Tribute Wall

CM

“ *My Grandpa Jim was one of, if not, the most caring person I've ever known in my life. My brothers, sister, and cousin idolized him throughout our entire lives and will continue to.*

Grandpa was the type of person that would do anything for you, he was very naturally funny, incredibly wise and full of so many stories that you could sit and listen for hours. You can ask any one of us grand-kids and we could go on forever about just how much of a role-model he was.

When we we're kids, we would always get excited to go over to Grandma's and Grandpa's. Walking through that door, running and jumping up into Grandpa's arms, hearing that laugh that sounded like it was coming from the bottom of his very heart and soul, it always filled me with joy. Visiting with them was one of the highlights of my childhood, it meant endless fun, amazing experiences, and most of all it meant being loved.

Thanks for everything Grandpa, we all love you so much.

Keep on riding.

Cody Messervey - September 07, 2023 at 07:22 PM

WM

“ *Wendy Millyard lit a candle in memory of James (Jim) Kitts*



Wendy Millyard - August 30, 2023 at 05:26 PM

SS

“ Jim Kitts was one of the kindest men I've ever met. We all hung out together in our twenties and he was always there for anybody that needed any help with anything.. I have long since moved away but I have never forgotten him and we actually got reconnected through Facebook and I was able to call him and Wendy and have a nice chat. Jim I know you're up there riding your Harley in the sky!.. ride on brother we will see each other again one day! 🙏🥹❤️👍

Sandra G stommel - August 29, 2023 at 06:04 PM

AM

“ I love you loads grandpa you have definitely taught us what it's like to be a family I'm glad I got to have you as a grandpa u made so many great memories and made them last until the very end when I got that call my heart shattered into a million pieces part of my heart left with u as the other stayed back to keep going for you the last two days I got to spend in the hospital with you and my brothers and cousin was amazing we made so many memories that can stay with us forever now, harley would've loved to get to know you more he loved your warm welcomes coming to see us in ptbo I'll forever love you endlessly grandpa xoxo💕

alyssa Messervey - August 29, 2023 at 06:03 PM

CW

“ Wendy and family and Wayne and Sharon and family, my deepest sympathy you are in my thoughts.
I was deeply saddened when I got the new's.
RIP JIM. RIDE ON BROTHER.

Chuck Wilson - August 29, 2023 at 05:21 PM

WK

“ Jim Kitts my beloved husband, best friend, soul mate & the love of my life forever & always (I was always be your babe). When I watched you take your last breath was the darkest day of my life, I lost half my heart that day. You are back with me now just in a different way. I will no longer be able to give you our big warm hugs, our daily kisses throughout the day, our hand holding, our daily & constant "I love you BIG TIME!". I will miss our walks/hikes, canoeing, fishing, touring on our Harley for hours, or just going for a ride in the car where we always made it an adventure while creating beautiful, fond memories, which I will cherish forever. I will miss the two of us just sitting side by side enjoying each others company whether we talked or just said nothing. Every moment with you was precious & will always be cherished forever in my heart. You always made sure I was protected, loved & provided for, you always put me first. You loved your family so much. The 3 boys & 5 grandchildren meant everything to you just as you mean everything to them. They know how blessed they were to have you in their lives.

Whenever you met Jim, he was caring, kind & would help anyone in need. He had such a big heart, he gave it to everyone. We always loved spending time together, we were inseparable. We never liked doing anything unless we did it together. Your hobbies & likes became ours & my hobbies & likes became ours. Our most favourite hobby and like was touring for hours on the harley to wherever we wanted to go. Continue to enjoy riding wherever you are & I will join you at some point in time, where we will continue our touring together. You & I made a promise together many years ago to always hold hands & walk the same path together whether good or bad, we both kept that promise. I held your hand & walked along beside you until the end when I finally had to let your precious hand go (it truly was hard). I will continue to carry on the promise we made for us both. You & I will be forever embedded in each others hearts. You are & will forever be truly missed by everyone who had the pleasure of knowing you. My heart breaks as I am writing this. My comfort is knowing one day our hearts will be joined again & I will be with you once again never to leave your side & be back with the love of my life, best friend, soul mate & the best husband

*anyone could ever ask for. I am truly blessed to be your wife.
Until we are together again, your loving wife (Babe) Wendy.*

*I will continue to say throughout the days "I LOVE YOU BIG TIME"
XXXOOXXX*

Wendy Kitts - August 29, 2023 at 03:32 PM

LG

Wendy mess me pls I have something for you (relative of Jim's)

Linda Graff - October 08, 2023 at 11:09 PM

BR

“ jim as some of you would know him. but to me it was grandpa he was my role model my siblings role model this, this man was a hard working caring compasiente human being. he is the reason im qarter if not have the man i am today.ill never forget the memories from building skate board ramps to building tables, operating heavy equitment to the long harley rides u used to take us grand kids on this man was onr hell of a being he taught me that blood dont matter family is from the heart. i will never forget the childhood this man gave us, i will never ever forget the memories like watching james bond or playing pool or him telling us no running around the pool table or drinks on it. i will always cherise him telling.us when we were acting up. that he would send us to the moon. (i genuinly thought this man would send me to the moon). this man gave me and my sibilings and my cousin more then i could ever imagine most of all he gave my grandma the world. this man is the defenition of a genuine human. the world lost an amazing soul, father a grandfather a role model. not only that a hard working dedcated human. this man taught me more values of life then i could imagine. i will for ever cherish everything this man has given i love you grandpa i hope you are resting in peice drinking a coors ripping it up on the bike enjoying a good steak. you were supose to send us to the moon with the one way ticket, but instead you went to the moon with a one way ticket. i know you packed your lunch to till we meet a again grandpa love your third grandson braeden messervey

braeden - August 28, 2023 at 09:23 PM

AR

“ I love ya grandpa and im going to miss you dearly, i wont let you down following your career running heavy equipment and becoming a great operator. love ya grandpa

Austin Riches - August 28, 2023 at 07:18 PM

KA

“ Jim was the rock of our family, we were absolutely blessed when he came into our lives. I couldn't have asked for a better father, I loved him so much and will miss him with all my heart.
Rip, love from your son kyle.

Kyle Alary - August 28, 2023 at 07:06 PM

KM

“ Thank you Jim for being a great dad to myself and my brothers. Even though you came into our lives when we grown you never failed to be there when we needed you. You were the absolute best grandfather to my kids and they all looked up to you. You always had 4 sacks of potatoes to sell with them.

I thank you for taking care of my mom like you did. You showed me what love truly is. You will be missed by everyone but especially your family.

I love you.

Kevin Messervey - August 28, 2023 at 04:29 PM

SE

“ Oh Jimmney Cricket our family will miss you terribly. Thank you for always being there in the good and not so good times over the past 40yrs.

We have a mountain of memories to tell 🥰🥰

When you met Wendy your life was complete, you gained three boys (missing the diaper stage 🥰🥰) but they made up for it with all your grandchildren. We will always celebrate you and love you💖

The Evans Family

Sharon & Wayne Evans - August 28, 2023 at 04:23 PM

KI

“ Jim was always up for a laugh, as well as being a loving husband and stepfather. He truly loved his wife Wendy and enjoyed every moment with her. They created some amazing memories that will be treasured. RIP Jim, you will be truly missed by all that knew you.

Kim - August 28, 2023 at 04:18 PM

JV

“ I so badly wish I had more time with Jim. To his family he was a hero, a confidant , a comedian. To his wife he was everything. He loved her “Big Time”.
His will to live every last moment is something I will carry with me always.
We love you and will miss forever. Thank you for being the Dad Kevin needed. You left amazing forever memories with your grandkids. Memories to cherish for a lifetime.
Cheers Jim! Love, Jenn

Jennifer Viger - August 28, 2023 at 02:02 PM

 Ellen Atkinson

“ Kevin and I send our deepest condolences to Wendy and family. Rest In Peace Jim.

Ellen Atkinson - August 28, 2023 at 01:49 PM

LG

safe travel Jim he was my page boy for my wedding (cousin) have been looking for you for years!!

Linda Graff - October 07, 2023 at 03:07 PM