



## James Floyd Demps

January 9, 1932 - May 2, 2016

James (Floyd) Demps, age 84, of Valparaiso, Indiana passed away Monday, May 2, 2016, at Valparaiso Rehabilitation Care Center in Valparaiso. James was a 40-year resident of Gary, Indiana, also having lived in Mountain Home, Arkansas and Crossville, Tennessee.

He was born January 9, 1932 in Sparta, Tennessee to Vasco and Mattie (Robinson) Demps. He attended the Oliver Springs, Tennessee school district and went on to join the U.S. Marines. He moved to Indiana and was a longtime truck driver with Ruan Transport.

A member of the Church of God, James enjoyed time spent hunting, fishing and camping along with traveling.

On August 8, 1953, in Rensselaer, Indiana James married Reatha DeWees who preceded him in death.

Surviving are his loving children, Gregory (wife Lori) Demps of Hobart, Indiana, Cheryl (husband Carl) Matthews of Valparaiso, Indiana and Lori (John) Alexander of Orlando, Florida. Other survivors include 8 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, two sisters, Myrtle Downs of Rensselaer, and Reba (husband Lee) Crass of Crown Point, Ind., and a brother, Richard (wife Margaret) Demps of Knoxville, Tennessee. James was preceded in death by his wife Reatha, parents, Vasco and Mattie (Robinson) Demps, two sister, Aline Smith and Martha Billingsley and two brothers, Alvin Demps and Marvin Demps.

Friends may call at the Jackson Chapel of Rensselaer on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Funeral services for James will be held at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, May 5, 2016 at the Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer with Pastor John Alexander officiating. Interment will follow at Weston Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 50 E. 91st St., Ste 100, Indianapolis, IN 46209-4830.

# Cemetery Details

## Weston Cemetery

Weston Cemetery  
Rensselaer, IN 47978  
(219) 866-5626

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 4.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer  
250 N. McKinley Avenue  
P.O. Box 70  
Rensselaer, IN 47978  
(219) 866-5123  
info@jacksonfuneral.com  
<https://www.jacksonfuneral.com>

## Service

**MAY 5.** 10:30 AM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer  
250 N. McKinley Avenue  
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# Tribute Wall



“ Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of James Floyd Demps



Jackson Funeral Chapels - May 03, 2016 at 10:35 AM



“ Please accept my family's heartfelt condolences on the loss of your dear loved one. May you find comfort in fond memories, and The Almighty God's promise in the Bible, to restore those asleep in death to perfect life on a paradise Earth.

Greene Family - May 18, 2016 at 11:45 AM



“ My condolences to the entire Demps Family at this time. Another 'Neighborhood-Family member, going on to their 'Heavenly Journey'. Prayers to Cheryl, Greg and Lori.



Joe N Christine Chavez-Mosqueda - May 06, 2016 at 03:06 AM



“ I want to send my condolences to Cheryl, Greg and Lori! I lived down the street from the Demps, and went to school with the kids. They lived by the "Little Store"! I am sorry for your loss.

Kathy Coe (Gulley) - May 05, 2016 at 07:46 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James Floyd Demps.*



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May 04, 2016 at 02:43 PM



“ *Greg, Cheryl and Lori, you have my families deepest sympathies. I have always had fond memories of Uncle Floyd and Aunt Retha. You and you families will be in out thoughts and prayers.*  
*Dan Kasper Portage, IN*

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**Dan Kasper** - May 04, 2016 at 11:32 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Floyd Demps.*



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May 04, 2016 at 10:44 AM



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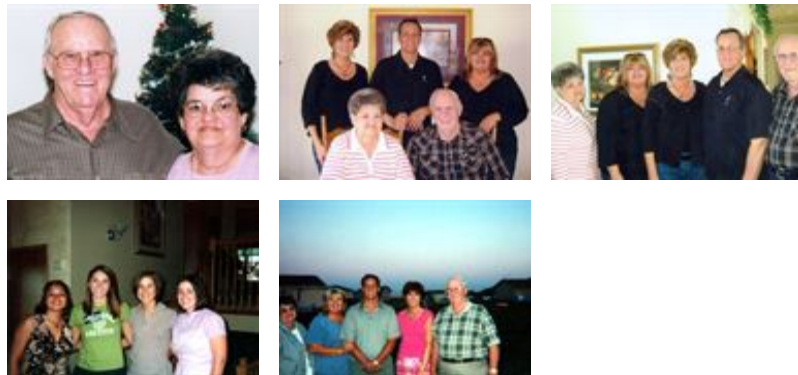
“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of James Floyd Demps.



May 04, 2016 at 07:51 AM



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