



## James William Hoover

July 6, 1926 - July 21, 2015

James William Hoover, age 89, of Rensselaer, Indiana passed away at his home on Tuesday, July 21, 2015. James was born in Rensselaer on July 13, 1926 to Frank L. and Helen L. (Lamson) Hoover.

On October 20, 1962, in Midland, Michigan, James married Carol A. Richter. James graduated with the class of 1944 from Rensselaer High School. From 1967-1991 James was co-owner/operator of Hoover House Furniture. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church where he served as an Elder, Rensselaer Rotary Paul Harris Fellow, past president of the Rensselaer Alumni Association, in which he held many offices, in 1996 he received the Alumni Service Award, Rensselaer Rotary Boy Scout Troop #152 committee since 1974 and was an executive board member of Sagamore Council, B.S.A., receiving the Silver Beaver Award in 1984. He served as president of Rensselaer Chamber of Commerce from 1973-1974, on the planning committee of Little Cousin Jasper, secretary of the Good Samaritan Food Pantry, a St. Joseph College Fellow, President of the Jasper County Hospital Association from 1981 to 2001, and a greeter at the Rensselaer Wal\*Mart for 8 years.

James is survived by, His loving wife, Carol, of 52 years, a son, Scott W. (Julie) Hoover of Ada, Michigan, a sister, Nancy Clearly of Fort Wayne, Indiana, and a grandson, Brennan Scott Hoover.

James is preceded in death by, His parents, a son, Douglas James Hoover, and a brother, Frank L. Hoover.

Pastor James Dougans will be officiating. Memorials may be made to the First Presbyterian Church, Sagamore Council, B.S.A., and/or Jasper County Hospital Foundation Home Health Care and Hospice.

# Cemetery Details

## Weston Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 25. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer  
250 N. McKinley Avenue  
P.O. Box 70  
Rensselaer, IN 47978  
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## Service

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# Tribute Wall

WF

“*Condolences to the Hoover family. Our thoughts and prayers go out to your whole family. Psalms 147:3 says Jehovah God, "heals the broken hearted, and binds up their wounds." May God bring you comfort and peace.*

Williams Family - August 20, 2015 at 08:01 AM



“*My thoughts and prayers are with you! Jim was such a kind man.*



Linda Hughes - August 08, 2015 at 12:48 PM

JB

“*Judy Burvan lit a candle in memory of James William Hoover*



Judy Burvan - July 31, 2015 at 07:20 AM

JL

“*Jim & Dorrie Lefler lit a candle in memory of James William Hoover*



Jim & Dorrie Lefler - July 30, 2015 at 03:17 PM

GM

“ Jim always called me the "Queen of Route Four" when I came into Walmart. He would stop by and had some cat food for "Morris" the yellow cat we shared from his farm who always seemed to want to join my brood of cats. Good memories of Jim and enjoyed his stopping for the boy scouts donation every year. We got to catch up that way. Carol, Scott, Julie, and Brennan will have many good memories.



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**Gail Mitchell** - July 26, 2015 at 09:47 AM

RW

“ I grew up knowing Jim. We always had good laughs and he had a wonderful smile. He wore his smile every day and brightened many lives. Jim and I set up the cold and flu medications at Walmart back in 1993. We both decided there were far too many pills. They did not all fit on the shelf like the mod sheet. I'll always remember Jim. Sorry for your loss Carol. My prayers are with you and your family.



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**Regina Warfel** - July 25, 2015 at 02:05 PM

FF

“ Carol, Scott, Julie and Brennan, we are thinking of you with our love and prayers. We will miss Jim's friendly smile and hugs. Jim can now join our beloved Doug!  
Fran, Keith and Family

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**Fran, Keith and Family** - July 24, 2015 at 03:00 PM

SD

“ I have enjoyed knowing the Hoover family while in Rensselaer. Jim Hoover will be missed and was always a wonderful example of kindness, helpfulness, and being friendly to others. God Blessed him. -Stephanie Davisson

Stephanie Davisson - July 24, 2015 at 10:05 AM

RO

“ Jim always had such a positive outlook on life. His smile and sense of humor could brighten anyone's day.



Rita O'Brien - July 24, 2015 at 09:16 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James William Hoover.



July 24, 2015 at 08:38 AM

MI

“ Michelle lit a candle in memory of James William Hoover



Michelle - July 23, 2015 at 10:04 PM



“ *Enjoyed working with Jim. Wanderfull personality .  
Loved his stories , was an honor to know you Jim.*

*Charlene Richie*

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**Charlene Richie** - July 23, 2015 at 09:48 PM

AD

“ *I share my children's fond memories of all the years of having you  
all across the street. I know how much sadness you must feel right  
now but I also know that when the sadness fades, the good, happy  
memories will fill your hearts and minds forever. All of Rensselaer  
lost a good neighbor today. Love and prayers, Ann Moriarty  
Doherty.*

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**Ann Moriarty Doherty** - July 23, 2015 at 08:47 PM



“ *I worked with Jim at Walmart he always made you smile when he  
greeted you he is greatly missed*

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**Gayla Hayes** - July 23, 2015 at 08:09 PM

HM

“ *Carol, our heart goes out to you and your family.  
Howard and Sharon Marshall*

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**Howard and Sharon Marshall** - July 23, 2015 at 04:46 PM

KM

“ Karen just saw the news on Facebook and texted Kevin, Kristin and me. We send our prayers and condolences to Carol, Scott and the rest of the family. We have fond memories of living across the street from the Hoovers as we were growing up. He always had a warm welcome, saying "Howdy Neighbor," whenever he saw us outside. We hope it's a comfort to know that he was appreciated by so many for all he did for the Rensselaer community.

Kathy Moriarty Mueller - July 23, 2015 at 04:17 PM

RS

“ Our prayer are with you Carol and family. Jim was a great guy and will be missed

Roger and Vicki Steffen - July 23, 2015 at 03:41 PM

BF

“ Bethel Ford lit a candle in memory of James William Hoover



Bethel Ford - July 23, 2015 at 03:25 PM

JM

“ Prayers for the family. Jim was a neighbor for many years. He will be missed.



Judy (Sheffer) Mitchell - July 23, 2015 at 03:05 PM

KS

“ I worked with Jim at Walmart for many years. He was a great man to know. His work with the Boy Scouts was truly admirable. He will be missed greatly. My condolences to his family.

Karen Salrin - July 23, 2015 at 02:33 PM



I worked with Jim at Walmart for 14 years. He was Mr. Walmart, greeted customers as family, always a happy welcome with a smile and how can I help you. Working at other Walmarts I never found another Jim. He will be missed. My thoughts and prayers to his family

Karen Spencer - July 23, 2015 at 07:57 PM

DH

“ My earliest memories in life include the Hoover family. I could go on and on sharing fond memories of Jim. From my early childhood, to high school athletics, to trips with the Remington American Legion baseball team. Jim was always quick with an enthusiastic greeting, a genuine smile, and a gentle hug for Alicia. He will be missed. We will be praying for you.

Dan & Alicia Hickman - July 23, 2015 at 01:37 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James William Hoover.



July 23, 2015 at 01:04 PM

DW

“ *Our sincere sympathy to you Carol and your family.*



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**Don and Gloria Waymouth** - July 23, 2015 at 10:36 AM

PS

“ *Pamela & Denny Sayler lit a candle in memory of James William Hoover*



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**Pamela & Denny Sayler** - July 23, 2015 at 09:21 AM

SS

“ *Suzanne Sizemore lit a candle in memory of James William Hoover*



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**Suzanne Sizemore** - July 23, 2015 at 09:03 AM

JG

“ *Mr. Hoover was like a second father to all of us guys that ran around with Scott. He was always such a joy to talk to and he had such great stories to tell. He will be greatly missed by all that knew him, such a genuine wonderful man. The Hoover family will be in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Jim Gehring** - July 23, 2015 at 01:52 AM

DG

“ One of those guys you say "dang I really like that guy". I go back to playing summer baseball with Doug Hoover. I want to believe they are catching up right now. Condolences

Dave Galt - July 22, 2015 at 11:00 PM

KF

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all. What a great loss for our community. Jim was so special to many people especially me. Please know you all will be forever in my heart❤️

Kara Fishburn - July 22, 2015 at 10:08 PM

DW

“ Doug & Kathy Wilcox lit a candle in memory of James William Hoover



Doug & Kathy Wilcox - July 22, 2015 at 09:33 PM

JS

“ Judy Siegrist lit a candle in memory of James William Hoover



Judy Siegrist - July 22, 2015 at 09:23 PM

MB

“ *The world loss a very person. I loved going into the store, he always made you feel special. He always had a beautiful smile.*



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**Marlene Bilek** - July 22, 2015 at 08:38 PM

JU

“ *Julie lit a candle in memory of James William Hoover*



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**Julie** - July 22, 2015 at 06:58 PM

LH

“ *JIM was one of my favorite people greeters and always involved in something scouting was one of I remember most. Loved people you will be greeted by God my friend Elizabeth (Libby ) Hawkins Kokomo In*

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**Libby Hawkins** - July 22, 2015 at 06:17 PM

MV

“ *Marie VanHouten lit a candle in memory of James William Hoover*



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**Marie VanHouten** - July 22, 2015 at 06:15 PM

JE

“ *Our condolences to Carol. This news was very sad news for us to hear.*

**Jim and Claudia Earnest** - July 22, 2015 at 05:52 PM

CS

“ *Cindy Sheffer lit a candle in memory of James William Hoover*



**Cindy Sheffer** - July 22, 2015 at 05:47 PM

CS

*Jim Was A Wonderful Man.Jim Will Be Missed!! Thoughts And Prayers To Family!!*

**Cindy Sheffer** - July 22, 2015 at 05:50 PM

PM

*I'll always remember all those meetings we went to on behalf of the Scouts. Doc, Jim and I had to wear a car out over all those wonderful years. Jim was such a caring person. I'll never forget him.*

**Phil McGraw** - July 23, 2015 at 01:05 PM

RP

*I'll always remember the great times we had together in Rensselaer and Midland, MI. He will be greatly missed.  
Roger and Pat Purfeerst*

**Roger and Pat Purfeerst** - July 26, 2015 at 06:18 PM