



James Peter Wittgren

December 14, 1939 - August 9, 2014

James P. Wittgren, age 74 of DeMotte, IN and formerly of Dyer, IN passed away on Saturday, August 9, 2014 in DeMotte, IN. James was born on December 14, 1939, in Chicago, IL, the son of Jack and Mary Ann (Eckert) Wittgren, both deceased.

James served his country proudly in the United States Air Force. He owned and operated Wittgren Jewelers in St. John, IN where he excelled as a master watch and clock maker. James was a member and past master of the Kenwood Masonic Lodge #800, F & AM in Blue Island, IL. James was also a member of the Lake County Indiana Sheriff's Department. James was a private pilot and he enjoyed flying his Piper Airplane. He also built and flew RC Aircraft.

James is survived by his fiancé - Ruth Palm of DeMotte, IN; children - James (Deona) Wittgren of Baytown, TX, Andreas (Heidi) Wittgren of San Juan Capistrano, CA and Christine Ann (James) Bardsley, Cicero, IN; 14 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren; brother - Jack (Karron) Wittgren of Menominee, MI.

A time of gathering for friends and family will take place at the Jackson Funeral Service in DeMotte, IN on Wednesday, August 13, 2014 from 4:00 - 7:00 pm. A Memorial Service will follow at 7:00 pm at the Jackson Funeral

Service, DeMotte, IN.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association.

Tribute Wall



“ Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of James Peter Wittgren



Jackson Funeral Chapels - August 13, 2014 at 01:12 PM

RW

“ I'm five years too late to pay homage to this wonderful guy. Jim and his dad took me in as a part time helper at Jack Wittgren Jewelers back in 1972, when I was a Sophomore at Chicago Vocational School. From him, I learned the fine craft of jewelry making from fitting to casting. How to market it and sell it. Most of all, he taught me maturity as I grew into a man. It was his tales of Air Force life that influenced my decision to join the Air Force and begin my life of travel and service to the country. I also picked up my dream hobby of radio control aircraft modeling from him. We built my first RC plane together, plans scaled up right from the pages of a magazine. When he discovered that I didn't know division math, he taught me in a way I could understand, something no teacher would have done. We spent a lot of time working together. And from that time he taught me character and how important it is in the world of work. I owe my current success in life in to him and his dad. I was just thinking about jewelry today and he popped into mind. I sad to know that he has left us, but he left me with many good traits to pass on. Rest in Peace my grand mentor. Peace and good memories to your family.

- Revell Walker MSgt, USAF (RET)

Revell Walker - December 17, 2019 at 11:11 AM

AJ

“ James was a next door neighbor and friend. We lived on the south side of Chicago and went to Perry school together. I was about 10 months older. I have a photo taken of us together when we were young boys. James in the middle. Al Jennings



Al Jennings - June 22, 2017 at 08:25 PM

ME

“ Please allow me to offer my condolences to the, Wittgren family with these healing words: " And the last enemy, death, is to be brought to nothing." (1 Cor. 15:26; Rev, 20:14) Under Jesus' rule, all the earth will become a paradise; the dead who are in God's memory will be raised with an opportunity to enjoy perfect life on earth forever. This is the hope for, Mr. Wittgren, as well. What magnificent foregleams fill our minds as we meditate on these promises! Wondrous provisions are in store for faithful mankind under heaven's loving government. I am very sorry for your loss. May God's Word comfort you and your family. Sincerely, Meryl ~ healingwordsforu@gmail.com. For more information about God's Kingdom promises, please visit jw.org.

Meryl - August 12, 2014 at 10:59 AM