



James E. Thornton

May 8, 1946 - January 8, 2022

James “Jim” E. Thornton, 75, of Grand Island passed away January 8th surrounded by his family. A funeral service will be held on Thursday, January 13th at 2 pm, at All Faiths Funeral Home. Pastor Alan Davis will officiate. Visitation will be on Wednesday, January 12th, from 5-7 pm, also at the funeral home. Casual attire is requested.

James was born on May 8, 1946 in Maysville, MO to Marvin and Katherine (Filley) Thornton. He was raised and received his education in the Clarksdale and Stewartville, MO areas.

On November 12, 1965, James was united in marriage to Pauline Hewitt. Three children were blessed into this union. The couple moved to Grand Island in 1967. James was employed by Christensen Concrete for 25 years, and Chief Industries for almost nine years before his retirement.

James was a member of Bethel Baptist Church and later of Beacon of Hope Baptist Church. In his spare time, James enjoyed gardening, lawn care, and traveling. More than anything, James loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife of 56 years, Pauline; children, James Thornton, Tasha (Mark) Spintig, Orena (Criss Gutschow) Loeffelholz; grandchildren, Nathan Thornton, Randy Thornton, Kellye Crow, Amber (Matthew) Brandon, Michala (Brendon) Burmood, Takiah Loeffelholz, James Loeffelholz, Nick Spintig; great grandchildren, Isabella, Claire, Ullr, Matthew, Elias; and brothers, Dean Thornton, Richard (Sue) Thornton.

James was preceded in death by his grandparents, Earl and Nellie Thornton; parents Marvin and Katherine; siblings, Roger, Larry, David Dobbins, Bobbie Leeson, Donna Shineman, Gene Raines; sisters-in-law, Lillie and Julie; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorials are suggested to the family for later designation.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **12.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home
2929 S Locust St
Grand Island, NE 68801
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<https://www.giallfaiths.com/>

Service

JAN **13.** 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *James E. Thornton*

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“ *Pauline, Pam and I and Mom (Elaine) send our prayers and hopes for better times ahead to you and your family. Mom and Dad (John and Elaine) always enjoyed seeing you and Jim when they travelled back to Grand Island. I remember Jim always had a smile and was quick to laugh at a joke! I also remember years ago, Jim kept his Dr Pepper under lock and key. I wondered who was drinking his Dr Pepper but didn't want to ask!*

Bill Richardson

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