



Jim Tuma

September 27, 1939 - December 28, 2020

Jim Tuma, 81, of Grand Island, died December 28, 2020, at home surrounded by family.

Jim was born in Cotesfield, NE, in 1939 to Clarence “Bud” and Frances Tuma. He graduated from high school in nearby Scotia in 1957 as Salutatorian. In 1959 he married Betty Vance and out of that union had two children, Michael and Barbara. He married Mary Kay Wheeler in 1977 and they have a daughter, Sarah.

Jim worked for Wheelers for 39 years in Grand Island before it was sold and relocated to Iowa. He then worked for Chief Industries until retiring in 2009.

Jim was an avid golfer, loved playing cards, cheering on the Husker Volleyball team and was known as a grilling and meat smoking wizard by his family and friends. His smoked turkey was a coveted Christmas treat.

He is survived by his wife Mary Kay, his three children and one son-in-law, Michael Tuma of Ashland, NE, Barbara Barr of Denver, CO and Sarah Carter and her husband Richard of Charlotte, NC, and two granddaughters, Jordan Piper Barr and Maeve Tuma Carter. He is also survived by two brothers, Jack (Joyce) Tuma of Lincoln, NE and Galen (Carm) Tuma of Roca, NE.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents and a very special niece, Rachael Panning.

Jim was a charitable man and in lieu of flowers the family requests that you honor him by wearing a pair of jazzy socks and donate to a charity of importance to you. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. All Faiths

Funeral Home is entrusted with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Grand Island City Cemetery

Grand Island, NE

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

JUL **16**. 2:00 PM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall



“ *Jim Tuma*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to you Mary Kay. Jim has reached his heavenly goal. God bless you. Ray and Orletha Block*

Ray and Orletha Block - July 12, 2021 at 11:02 AM



“ *Mary Kay and Sarah, our thoughts are with you as you remember Jim. May your hearts be comforted by many special memories. God bless you. Norma and Tony Gauthier*

Norma Gauthier - January 05, 2021 at 11:23 AM



“ *Mary Kay and Sarah, our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. God Bless,, Tom and Jeanne Graves*

Jeanne Graves - January 01, 2021 at 03:39 PM



*Thank you Jeanne and Tom for your good wishes.
Mary Kay*

Mary Ksy Tuma - January 08, 2021 at 02:26 PM

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“ *I am so sorry to read this Mary Kay and Sarah. Thinking of you with Sincere Sympathy.*

Bill and Kathy Bartunek

Kathy Bartunek - December 29, 2020 at 10:51 PM