



James Joseph Grande

October 31, 1944 - December 10, 2014

James Joseph Grande, 70, of Charlotte, joined his Lord on December 10, 2014. He was blessed to be at home and passed in the arms of his loving wife.

James was born in Herkimer, New York, on October 31, 1944, the son of Joseph Grande and Elizabeth Raymonda. After graduating from high school, he enlisted in the United States Navy and faithfully served from 1962 until 1966. He then worked for General Electric in Utica and then to Mohawk Data Science in Herkimer. He began working as a civilian as a software technician and worked with cryptographic and communications gear with top secret clearance at Griffiss Air Force Base and upon base shutdown, was transferred to Hunters Army Base in Savannah, Georgia. On September 28, 1984, he married Karen Nolan in Herkimer, New York. Childhood acquaintances, James and Karen knew each other going back to school days and this year, celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary. James ultimately retired from Hunters Army base and he and Karen moved to Charlotte in October of 2011 where they could be close to their daughter.

In addition to working, James was an avid reader, loved to golf and was a fan of all sports in general. He didn't mind if he was a participant or observer, and he would watch any and all sports he could on television. He especially liked Syracuse's basketball and football programming, NY Yankee baseball, and Cleveland Brown football. In addition to serving his country, James also served his community and his Lord. In his younger years, he was an active member of the Elks and when he moved to Charlotte, he was a faithful member of Morningstar Lutheran Church. There, he could be found enjoying the fellowship and projects undertaken of the Morningstar Men's Ministry including one of his favorites which was working with the homeless shelter. He was a very caring and loving spirit who will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

James is survived by his wife, Karen, of Charlotte; a son Daryl (wife Angela) Grande of Fort Wayne, Indiana, and their children Olivia and Dominick; a daughter, Shelly Stinson of Charlotte; and a daughter Catrina (husband Chip) Griewahn of Richmond Hill, Georgia, and their children Haylie, Sarah, and Corben. James is also survived by his sister,

Roseann Dobruck, and two brothers, Joseph and Robert Grande. Further surviving James are special friends and family: Amy Black, Mark and Debbie Cook; and numerous other nieces, nephews, other relatives, and friends.

James' family has given the privilege of caring for them to the family of Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home, 4715 Margaret Wallace Road, Matthews, NC 28105. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Sunday, December 14, from 4 to 6 pm. On Monday morning, December 15 at 11 am, funeral services led by Pastor Mauritson will be held at James' church, Morning Star Lutheran Church, 12509 Idlewild Road, Matthews, NC 28105. Following the service, all are welcome to join the family as James is taken to his final place of earthly rest at Sunset Memory Gardens, 8901 Lawyers Road, Charlotte, NC 28227.

The family respectfully requests and appreciates donations be made in James' memory to either Hospice of Charlotte at <https://hpccr.thankyou4caring.org/> for all their loving care in James' final days or to Morning Star Lutheran Church, <http://www.morningstarlutheranchurch.org/> To share memories, photos, videos, and condolences, please visit James' online memorial page located at www.LoweNeddoFuneralHome.com and for further information, please call 704-545-3553.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Memory Gardens

8901 Lawyers Road
Charlotte, NC 28227
<http://www.cmseast.com/sunset-memory-gardens/>

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **14.** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Lowe-Neddo Funeral Home
4715 Margaret Wallace Road
Matthews, NC 28105
(866) 682-4043
info@loweneddo.com
<https://www.loweneddofuneralhome.com>

Service

DEC **15.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Morning Star Lutheran Church
12509 Idlewild Road
Matthews, NC 28105

Tribute Wall



“ *James Joseph Grande*

October 05, 2023 at 07:26 AM



“ *James Joseph Grande*

October 24, 2022 at 08:52 PM



“ *Karen, So sorry to learn of Jim's passing. My condolences to the family... We were very good friends during our school years in Herkimer, we both lived on main St. and after our NAVY years we also worked at same department at MDS. Many wonderful memories.. prayers to you and your family for peace and comfort.*

Joe Faga

Joe Faga - December 26, 2014 at 04:19 PM



“ *Sorry to hear of Jim's passing. I can still see his smiling face and hear his laughter. We bowled for many years in Frankfort.*

Joe Zaffaran o - December 23, 2014 at 04:12 AM



“ *Karen, Please know that the HHS Class of 66 is remembering you at this time. Our prayers to you and your family for peace and comfort.*

Janey Hadcock Carrico

jane carrico - December 18, 2014 at 09:09 PM



“ *Karen, I am so sorry to hear of Jim's passing. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Barbara Scialdo Plocharczyk

Barbara Scialdo Plocharczyk - December 18, 2014 at 08:42 PM

JB

“ *Jessica Bazik lit a candle in memory of James Joseph Grande*



Jessica Bazik - December 15, 2014 at 09:54 AM

JH

“ *Karen, we are so sorry for your loss. Please know you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. Love and hugs to you. Tina and Jerry Helmer.*

Jerry and Tina Helmer - December 13, 2014 at 09:16 PM

GR

“ *Gerry & Stephanie Raymonda lit a candle in memory of James Joseph Grande*



Gerry & Stephanie Raymonda - December 13, 2014 at 08:02 AM

ML

“ *Max, Rick, and Lori purchased the Holiday Homecoming Basket for the family of James Joseph Grande.*



Max, Rick, and Lori - December 12, 2014 at 03:15 PM

HR

“ *So sorry for the loss of this wonderful man. Came into our family through marriage of his son, Daryl Grande to Angela Rakestraw my daughter and two wonderful grandchildren we have been blessed with. He will be dearly missed by all and we are thankful for the time we have known him. God bless and the family will be in our prayers always.*



Helen Rakestraw - December 12, 2014 at 12:03 PM

CL

“ Cherie Livernois purchased the *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* for the family of James Joseph Grande.



Cherie Livernois - December 12, 2014 at 10:13 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James Joseph Grande.



December 12, 2014 at 06:53 AM

AG

“ Angie Grande lit a candle in memory of James Joseph Grande



Angie Grande - December 11, 2014 at 05:45 PM



“ Care and Compassion Spray was purchased for the family of James Joseph Grande.



December 11, 2014 at 03:31 PM