



James Allen Nielsen

July 28, 1950 - August 22, 2017

James A. Nielsen

WIND POINT - James Allen Nielsen, aka Waterbed Fred, 67, passed away at home on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 from wicked brain cancer. He was born in Racine on July 28, 1950, son of Clayton and Irene (nee: Chapas) Nielsen. He did not join any of the armed forces, in fact he was a draft dodger, and was very proud of that because he did not want to get shot in Vietnam. He attended UW Madison for a few years until it got too hard, then he decided to work for his dad, Clayton, at Nielsen Iron Works. James, his father and his brothers eventually formed Nielsen Building Systems, where he proudly worked until 2015.

Jim was the happiest with his family near, although he missed his maid that he had for many years. He found great happiness with his sons, daughters-in-law, grandchildren and of course his dog, Jordy. Jim had a passion for music and concerts, the Green Bay Packers, Milwaukee Brewers, and cocktails. Jim did not live life to the fullest or he would still be here today. He wasn't an active member of anything, because he liked to keep a low pro. He did not always have the most optimistic attitude, because he did not like too many people, but he loved everyone. Anyone who knew Jim, loved him. One of his catch phrases was "I love ya, but you're a knucklehead"

James is survived by his two good looking kids, Ross (Elizabeth) Nielsen of Racine, Alex (Iryna) Nielsen of Racine; his grandchildren, Addyson, Charlize, Roman, and Max all of Racine, WI.

In keeping with his wishes, a private funeral will be held.

Tribute Wall

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“ Alex and Ross, I'm sorry your Dad has died from a stupid wicked brain cancer. Those good looking grandkids of his, will miss their Waterbed Fred goofing off with them. Max always enjoyed the antics of Waterbed Fred, in spite of the scar just below his eye, caused by a ricocheted BB off the construction trailer behind NBS. The knucklehead head is at rest, long live the remaining knuckleheads.

Mark Hyde - August 26, 2017 at 01:10 PM

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“ So sorry to hear about Jim. Our condolences to the family.

Jim was a good guy and Stella and I will miss seeing him and Jordy on our neighborhood walks. We will also miss Jim's delicious gifts of homemade zucchini bread and canned green beans.

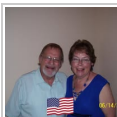
Ron Erickson - August 23, 2017 at 11:24 AM



“ Deb Fandry sent a virtual gift in memory of James Allen Nielsen



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RIP JIM!! OUR PRAYERS OUR WITH ALEX & ROSS

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