



## James "Jim" R. Parmenter

December 8, 1937 - November 10, 2019

James 'J.P.' R. Parmenter, age 81, of Kearney, passed away Sunday, November 10, 2019 at the Grand Island Veteran's Hospital. Celebration of life services will be on Saturday, November 23, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at Horner Lieske McBride and Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney. Military honors will be provided by the National Guard Funeral Honors Team, Kearney American Legion Post #52 and the Kearney V.F.W. Post #759. Memorials in lieu of flowers are suggested to the family to be designated later. Online condolences may be submitted by visiting [www.hlmkfuneral.com](http://www.hlmkfuneral.com). Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney is in charge of arrangements.

Jim was born on December 8, 1937 in Moorhead, MN to Miles and Myrtle (Iverson) Parmenter. He served his country as a member of the United States Army from 1955 to 1958. Jim worked in the Kearney area as a machinist for several years. He enjoyed hunting, his passions were his family and drag racing.

Surviving relatives include his daughter, Michele Lewis and her husband Bradford of Cambridge, NE; grandchildren and spouses, Trevor Fleischer, Torey Fleischer, Ryann Lewis, Brady Lewis, Taylor (Jordan) Lewis all of Cambridge, NE, Jericca Lewis of Wauneta, NE, Taron (Jenae) Lewis of Lincoln, NE; great granddaughter, Ariel Morgan of Cambridge, NE; sister, Dorothy Smith and her husband Floyd of Pennsylvania; brother in law, Junior Schultz of Pennsylvania; several Nieces and Nephews.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents; son, James "Slugger" Parmenter; brothers, Marlyn, Pete and Kenny; sisters, Mary Jane Grosz, Phyllis Forgey and Joyce Schultz, sister in laws Gladys and Mary, brother in laws Dan Grosz and Tom Forgey.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

NOV **23**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl  
2421 Avenue A  
Kearney, NE 68847  
(308) 237-2259  
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# Tribute Wall



“ James "Jim" R. Parmenter

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ This is a very late entry. Jim was a very good friend through out my drag racing career. When I blew up my first racing engine, Jim gave me a set of 906 Mopar heads ready built but would not take cash for them. He gave me a lot of advise about racing. My best story about Jim was after I made a time trial run, I found him asleep in his truck. He asked me if the track was hooking up and I said yes. He said good then I will start making time trial runs. He said if a Mopar leaf spring car will hook up then his car can also. Great man. Rest In Peace Jim.

Keith Brown - April 17, 2020 at 02:10 PM



“ I enjoyed racing with him at Scribner and Kearney both. He was a great guy and always ready to help and answer questions. He will be missed by all who knew him.  
Dale Johnson

Dale Johnson - November 22, 2019 at 07:37 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James "Jim" R. Parmenter.



November 22, 2019 at 02:01 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of James "Jim" R. Parmenter.



November 20, 2019 at 05:45 PM



“ always a great friend all the years we raced together ....be greatly missed.  
thanks for your service for our freedom.... Randy Wohlers, Holdrege, ne

**RANDY WOHLERS** - November 19, 2019 at 03:10 PM



“ Sure had a lot of good times at the track and some good conversations with you at the house. Glad we got to know each other threw the years. You will be missed by many.



**justin herbst** - November 14, 2019 at 11:12 PM



“ Thank you for everything you did for your country and for your community, your friendship will never be forgotten! A fierce competitor at the track, and a very humble, kind, compassionate human being off the track... God speed JP!!

**Vic Gomez** - November 13, 2019 at 05:38 PM

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“ *Rest in peace Jim. I'll always remember the fun drag racing and sharing parts and knowledge. A racing pioneer that will be missed.*

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**Doug Wallace** - November 13, 2019 at 09:26 AM

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“ *3 files added to the album Memories Album*



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**Bobby Devine** - November 12, 2019 at 01:34 PM