

James Arlan Combs

January 7, 1936 - December 3, 2021

Brodhead – James Arlan Combs, age 85, passed away peacefully on December 3, 2021 at St. Mary’s Hospital in Janesville while surrounded by family.

James was born on January 7, 1936 in Kentucky, the son of Roscoe and Eva (Feltner) Combs. He married Linda Klapp in Durand IL on February 9, 1957.

James worked for many years within the cheesemaking industry and worked over 31 years at the Goldenrod Cheese Group (later Universal Foods) in downtown Brodhead. James enjoyed gardening, hanging his Christmas lights, hunting and running his coon dogs and was an avid Kentucky Wildcats Basketball fan. But most of all James enjoyed spending time with his family.

James is survived by his wife, Linda; 3 children, Katherine (David) Manning, Susan Ballweg and Ricky (Tammy) Combs; 4 grandchildren, Amber (Sean) Downing, Tori (Brian) Welch, Erin (Ryan) Wescott and Jaime (Kyle) Pierce; 8 great grandchildren, Phoebey, Ritchie, Zoe, EvaLynn, Jade, Timber, Opal and Bindi “Bingo”; 5 siblings, Elmer Ray (Zella) Combs, W. Eugene (Jean) Combs, Wilburn (Angie) Combs, Mac Combs and Sue Combs and several nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends.

James was preceded in death by his parents, one sister, Lois Mae Combs and

one grandson, Jesse Redell in 2020.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be directed to the family in his memory.

Funeral services will be held at the DL Newcomer Funeral Home in Brodhead on Thursday, December 9, 2021 at 12:00 PM. A visitation will also be held at the funeral home on Thursday from 10:00 AM until the time of services. Burial will conclude at the Avon Township Cemetery.

www.dlnewcomerfuneralhome.com 608-897-2484

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 9. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

D. L. Newcomer Funeral Home
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James Arlan Combs.*



December 08, 2021 at 12:37 PM



“ *I will always cherish the childhood memories of getting my hair cut by Big Jim. I also enjoyed seeing the hard working men at Universal foods, and I'll never forget the nights running through the woods and the sound of the dogs howling when they had a coon up in a tree! Thanks for the memories my dear friend.*

James Grigsby - December 08, 2021 at 10:55 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Arlan Combs.*



December 07, 2021 at 06:41 PM

DC

“ When we were kids we would stay for weeks with Uncle Jim in the summer and go to dog swims. I remember one summer Little Mac, Wilburn, James Roscoe, Ricky and Me (Dook) was all at Uncle Jim's getting ready to go for the weekend and Uncle Jim said "you guys look like wooly buggers you need a hair cut". Well all of us knew Uncle Jim as a barber knew one cut and that was a burr. He started cutting our hair in the garage and James was the last one, James said "Uncle Jimpie could you leave just a little bit of hair to comb". Laugh out loud Uncle Jim gave him his patent burr and left a circle about like a silver dollar on the side about 3 inches long. Uncle Jim said "there you go I left you a little to comb". James looked at it in the mirror and said "no just cut that off to, that was not what I meant". Uncle Jim just laughed and finished the hair cut. I so enjoyed my summers in Wisconsin at Jim and Linda's always felt loved liked I was one of their own kids.

Our loss is heavens gain, your memory will live in my heart forever.

Dook Combs - December 07, 2021 at 04:11 PM



“ My Soul Lives On Blanket was purchased for the family of James Arlan Combs.



December 06, 2021 at 06:37 PM

MC

“ *Marcus and Howard Combs purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Arlan Combs.*



Marcus and Howard Combs - December 06, 2021 at 05:49 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Arlan Combs.*



December 05, 2021 at 09:05 PM

MW

“ *Marion & Eva Watts lit a candle in memory of James Arlan Combs*



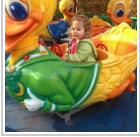
Marion & Eva Watts - December 04, 2021 at 12:13 PM

PL

“ *So sorry Linda and Family of your loss. May all the good memories be stilled in your hearts through this Holiday Season. May God Bless all of you. I remember him because we used to haul milk into that factory and I also worked with Linda at APCO.*



Phyllis Lentz - December 04, 2021 at 11:46 AM



“ *Annette EIDridge lit a candle in memory of James Arlan Combs*



Annette EIDridge - December 04, 2021 at 07:16 AM

GW

“ *Gora wicker*



Gora Wicker - December 03, 2021 at 07:44 PM

AM

“ *William and Anita Madden*



Anita Madden - December 03, 2021 at 07:40 PM

EG

“ *Eddie And Denise Gibson lit a candle in memory of James Arlan Combs*



Eddie and Denise Gibson - December 03, 2021 at 06:33 PM