



## James Lee Messel

January 11, 1945 - September 21, 2019

### Obituary

Brodhead – James Messel, age 74, died on September 21, 2019 while at the Mercy Hospital in Janesville.

James was born on January 11, 1945 in Chicago, IL, the son of Walter and Helen (Koblick) Messel.

James enjoyed hunting and fishing and loved animals. He was a member of the Brodhead American Legion and James served his country in the US Navy during the Cuban Missile Crisis and was very proud of his service time. Before retirement, James worked in the bakery at Swiss Colony and as a bartender at the Bluffview. For a few years, he worked construction in Texas and also farmed with his brother, Bud.

James is survived by his significant other of over 30 years, Kathy; two daughters, Barbara Messel and Gail Lewis; one grandson, Doug Lewis; two siblings, Bob Messel and Judy (Joe) Dietz.

James was preceded in death by his parents and several siblings.

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

Memorial services will be held at the DL Newcomer Funeral Home, 1105 E. 9th Avenue in Brodhead WI on Friday, October 4, 2019 at 11:30 AM. There will be no visitation.

DL Newcomer Funeral Home is assisting the family.

To send flowers to the family or plant a tree in memory of James Lee Messel, please visit our floral store.



# Tribute Wall

ES

“ *A TRADITION AND SPLENDOR was sent on October 2, 2019 Our thoughts and prayers are with the family. Uncle Jim, you will be missed. Fair sea and following winds...shipmate!*

*Rob, Andrea and kids*

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**Expression of Sympathy** - October 02, 2019 at 07:27 PM

JD

“ *JimLee, thank you so much. You took such good care of me and missed a lot because of me Gonna miss you forever. love you. Judi*

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**Judi Dietz** - September 28, 2019 at 08:53 PM

WD

“ *Rest in peace my friend, you will be so missed. We all had such good times together in the old days. You me and Crazy sure had some good laughs parting all night :). I wish I could have got up to see you and Kathy, so sorry I never got there. It was really nice to see you two when you did come down here. I have you in my prayers Kathy stay strong Love you... Condolences to the Messel family.*

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**Wendy Foley Dillon** - September 27, 2019 at 10:47 AM

RD

“ *Rest in Peace Gums , Rita Duggan*

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**Rita Duggan** - September 26, 2019 at 07:48 PM

BM

“❤️ *No matter how far he goes. He will always be on my heart.*  
*~Barbara Lee Messel~My dad is a great man.*

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**Barbara Lee Messel** - September 26, 2019 at 03:42 PM