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Russell James Obituary

Russell Ford James, 82, of Sheffield Lake, died peacefully at his home July 19, 2020. He was born July 2, 1938 in Gassaway, WV moving to Lorain County in 1957. Ford was employed as a foreman at Timms Spring Company for 44 years, retiring in 2003. He enjoyed traveling with his wife, hunting, fishing, taking his dog, Heidi for rides in his truck, spending time in his garage, and completing projects around his home. He also enjoyed spending time with his great-grandchildren. Russ and his wife, Karen (nee Turner) were married 61 years and raised sons, Russell (Laurie) James, Jr. of Sheffield Lake and Steve (Terri) James of Sheffield Village and a daughter Carolyn (Tom) Coy of Avon Lake. Also surviving are grandchildren, Russell (Sarah) James III, Megan Coy, Amanda (Casey) Lee, Justin (Hannah) Coy, Amy James, Chantel James, Tiffany (Ricky) Bilski and Dillon James; 9 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by brothers, Walter, Jr., Joe and Charles; and sisters, Aleen, Irene, Mary, Ruth, Doris and Lois. A graveside service for the family will be at Butternut Ridge Cemetery, Eaton Township with Reverend Kelly Brill officiating. A memorial service will be announced at a later date. Deepest gratitude is extended to the staff of Hospice of the Western Reserve for their exceptional care and support. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Western Reserve, 17876 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44110.

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BE

Beverly Jean Eddy posted:

Sending love and prayers to the family. So sorry for your loss. Have many fond memories of Uncle Ford and will cherish them always.

July 21 at 8:00 PM

CK

Cecil And Sharon Knight posted:

Sorry to hear of his passing, knowing he's with the Lord makes things a little easier, wishing Aunt Karen and the family the best of God Grace and may he keep you all safe always. Love from the Knights

July 21 at 8:00 PM

RU

Russ posted:

Our deepest sympathies Russ and dorothy Henderson

July 20 at 8:00 PM

KD

Kristi Lynn Dixon posted:

Aunt Karen and family, My heart goes out to you all during this very difficult time. Know that we are thinking of you and praying for you all. Sending you all of our love.

July 20 at 8:00 PM

GT

Gregory Turner posted:

Dear Aunt Karen and Family, So sorry to hear about Uncle Ford's passing. I have many enjoyable memories of fishing and hunting with Uncle Ford, Grandpa and Dad! Even though the three amigos always seemed to leave Rusty and I back in Ohio on those unforgettable fishing excursions, as Uncle Ford reminded us on the phone back in March.... "You know, the trip where the outboard engine found its way back to the dock!" Uncle Ford was a pretty good storyteller himself! I really enjoyed my stops through Ohio when I was in the Navy (and after). You and Uncle Ford always seemed to be the first ones to come and see me if I did not stop and see you first. I sure enjoyed sitting in your backyard and having a cold one or two with Uncle Ford! I sure know I will miss him. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love Greg and Pauline

July 20 at 8:00 PM



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RH

Robin Hale posted:

Sorry for your loss. The family is in our prayers.

July 20 at 8:00 PM

JS

Jim And Brandy Sabo posted:

We are so sorry to hear of Fords passing. All of you are in our thoughts and prayers. Peace and comfort to you all during this difficult time.

July 20 at 8:00 PM

PL

Pat And Lorraine Day posted:

I knew Ford as a very kind man. He was there to fix my car by putting on a radiator hose. My uncle Orie went with Ford to the car parts store. Ford was truly a family man. I saw Russ with Steve and their father at West Rec field. Ford, also, took the boys into Oberlin to watch soccer games. Once I moved away from Elyria it was my loss but memories lived on.

July 20 at 8:00 PM

CK

Christa Hunter (Knight) posted:

My deepest condolences and prayers for the James family in this time of sadness.

July 20 at 8:00 PM

MB

Melissa Dunham Bartizal posted:

My deepest sympathys to you and your family Russ.

July 20 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Russell by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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