



## James A. Kaiser

February 24, 1937 - November 26, 2020

KNOX – James A. Kaiser passed away on Thursday, November 26, 2020 in Golden Living Center, Knox following an illness. He was born on February 24, 1937 in Knox to the late Paul and Marie (Cutshall) Kaiser and was 83 years-old at the time of his death.

Jim lived in the area his entire life and was a retired machinist with Howmet Corporation. He was a veteran of the US Army where he served in Hawaii. Jim also loved genealogy, dogs, and his biggest pleasure in life was helping people.

Jim is survived by his cousin and guardian Janet Welter of Knox; one daughter Jeanette (Floyd) Hayes of South Bend; one grandson Matthew Hayes of South Bend; and one nephew Jack Hilton. He is preceded in death by his parents and one foster brother.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic private Graveside Services will be held at Round Lake Cemetery, Knox. We at the Rannells Funeral Home, Hamlet Chapel are honored to be entrusted with Jim's care and arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Janet and I would visit with Jim, his smile would light up the room. He enjoyed music and dancing, which we did dance. He had a great laugh, but most of all I enjoyed his smile. He is home now, God Bless.

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**Sandra Elder** - December 01, 2020 at 07:49 PM

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“ Tim and I remember Jim from many years back when the genealogy society was just starting in Starke County. He asked if there was any way he could be of assistance and that's where the society began to grow. He was my PR person and newspaper writer for the Starke County Leader; and the histories stories he would write. We had a lot of fun in the society with raising money to support the society and the many trips to the local cemeteries as we transcribed the entire county and then published them. We spent a lot of time in his visits to the Starke County Museum talking about the past, while he did his research on his family members. I am glad to have received much of his work before his passing to help his cause to be carried on. May he rest in peace and we pray that the while he is now with his heavenly Father, that someone shows his helpful hints in using his computer.

*Yes, I know he was happy during the time he was with Diana and she the same. She was good for making him laugh.*

*Our prayers to you Janet. He was blessed to have you as a relative and close friend. You have our sympathy. Tim & Peg Brettin*

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**Tim and Peg Brettin** - November 29, 2020 at 09:48 PM



Janet  
Welter

“ I have so many good memories of my Cousin Jim. One sunny day we decided to climb on top of the RR Boxcar at Knox to photograph the town. He had to help me. We also climbed the sand dunes, photographed weddings, deer, dogs and Cemeteries. Joe, Jim and our two dogs took road trips singing country music. We shared family history for 30 years. Jim was happy the year he spent with Diana Ross. If anyone needed help Jim was there for them. We lost him first to Alzheimer's and now to Covid 19. He is sadly missed.

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**Janet Welter** - November 29, 2020 at 06:36 PM