



Rev. James W. Hoopingarner

July 16, 1938 - May 23, 2024

James (Jim) Hoopingarner, 85, of Indianapolis, Indiana peacefully transitioned from this world to be home with the Lord in Heaven with his family at his side on Thursday, May 23, 2024 at 6:41 p.m. Jim was a member of Victory Baptist Church.

Jim or as his parents called him, Jimmy Wayne, was also affectionately known by many as Hoop or Hoopie. Jim was born on July 16, 1938 in Bedford, Indiana to his parents, Clyde and Della Lorraine (Levi) Hoopingarner Speer.

Jim joined the Navy in the fall of 1955. He was stationed at Quonset Point, Rhode Island where he served aboard the aircraft carrier the USS Tarawa (CVS-40), and he later worked with the Seabees at Davisville, Rhode Island. During his Naval service he met the love of his life, Elizabeth (Betty) Ann Pomfret. They were joined in holy matrimony on April 7, 1959 in Henderson, North Carolina. After being honorably discharged Jim was a member of the Teamsters Union for several years where he worked for OK Trucking. After becoming an ordained minister he later served as the Lead Pastor at Tenth Street Baptist Church for 34 years until his retirement in 2012.

Jimmy Wayne loved his wife Betty Ann dearly. Together they were blessed with 65 years of marriage, 5 children, 8 grandchildren, and 14 great grandchildren. Jim is survived by his wife Betty Hoopingarner; sons, James

Hoopingarner, Jr. (Zelda), Donald Hoopingarner; daughters, Debbie Hoopingarner Golden, Lisa Hoopingarner Apostolakis (John Jr.), Amber Golden Tilley (Aaron); one sister, Sharon Darlene Francis; grandchildren; great-grandchildren; several nieces, nephews; loved ones; friends; and many brothers and sisters in Christ.

He was preceded in death by both of his parents; his son, Kevin Hoopingarner; grandson, Christopher Apostolakis; brothers, Robert Hoopingarner, Charles Hoopingarner, Joe Speer; and sister, Della Hoopingarner Hilderbrand.

Funeral Services will be held May 29, 2024 at Shirley Brothers Drexel Chapel, 4565 E. 10th Street, Indianapolis, Indiana. Visitation from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. with Funeral Service at 1:00 p.m., graveside service to follow at Memorial Park Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Memorial Park Cemetery

9350 E. Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46229

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 29. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Drexel Chapel
4565 E. 10th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46201
(317) 359-3233
info@shirleybrothers.com
<https://www.shirleybrothers.com>

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Tribute Wall



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. James W. Hoopingarner.*



May 28, 2024 at 01:40 PM



“ *Debbie Burgess planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Rev. James W. Hoopingarner.*

Debbie Burgess - May 28, 2024 at 01:40 PM



“ *Medessa Hartsock purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Rev. James W. Hoopingarner.*



Medessa Hartsock - May 28, 2024 at 01:12 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of Rev. James W. Hoopingarner.*



May 28, 2024 at 12:02 PM

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“ Love you and will miss you, Uncle Hoopie



Nikki - May 27, 2024 at 09:13 PM

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“ With love from Mike & Lisa Hoopingarner purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Rev. James W. Hoopingarner.



With love from Mike & Lisa Hoopingarner - May 27, 2024 at 02:44 PM

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“ Rev. Jim Hoopingarner was a friend for over 35 years and was always an upstanding man of God. He was a faithful servant and extremely kind to all people he came in contact with. It was a pleasure to be considered his friend.

Gary K. Gray - May 27, 2024 at 02:03 PM



“ Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. James W. Hoopingarner.



May 27, 2024 at 01:29 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Rev. James W. Hoopingarner.*



May 27, 2024 at 11:00 AM



“ *Uncle Jim, you will be missed by so many!*



Adrienne Reynolds - May 26, 2024 at 02:59 PM