



## James "Jim" Melvin Leslie

November 21, 1945 - May 8, 2023

James "Jim" Leslie, 77, of Indianapolis, passed away May 8, 2023. He was born November 21, 1945 in Indianapolis to the late Paul Emerson and Ruth A. (Trittipo) Leslie. Jim attended Lawrence Central High School and graduated from Arsenal Technical High School. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War and received his bachelor's degree from Indiana University. Jim married Mary "Cathy" Catherine Wood, August 3, 1968, and was employed in management in the claims department for American States Insurance for 34 years.

Jim was a member of Honey Creek Church and the Jaycees of Marion, Indiana. He was a former member of the Lions Club in Missouri and the Masonic Lodge in Iowa. Jim was an avid motorcyclist and was a member of The Indy 500 Motorcycle Club. He loved square-dancing, traveling, model trains, classic cars, camping, golfing and photography. He was a huge blue grass music fan.

Visitation will be Monday, May 15, 2023 from 12 noon until the time of service at 2:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Thompson Road Chapel, 3333 East Thompson Road.

Jim is survived by his loving wife of nearly 55 years, Cathy Leslie; children, Jamie Stewart (Greg) and Jeff Leslie (Lori); grandchildren, Aretis Leslie, Tone Wagner (Veronica), Cameron Park, Zayne Leslie, Cooper Stewart, Makenzi Kelley (Carl), Ian Park (fiancée, Sami), Sadie Stewart and Bryn Park; great-

grandchildren, Aiden and Samaiya Kelley, Marissa, Modesty, and Anthony Wagner; and brother, Robert Leslie (Sherri). A sister, Betty Hoback, preceded him in death.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Honey Creek Church.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 15. 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Thompson Road Chapel  
3333 E. Thompson Road  
Indianapolis, IN 46227  
(317) 783-3315  
info@shirleybrothers.com  
<https://www.shirleybrothers.com>

## Funeral Service

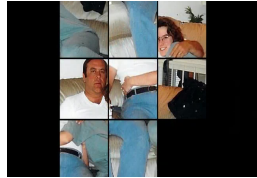
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# Tribute Wall



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**Shirley Brothers Mortuaries & Crematory** - May 16, 2023 at 02:31 PM

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“ My dad has good memories of your dad at the Fair booth. They worked the grill together. Your dad would throw onions and the water the onions were in on the grill and turn some fan on so the smell would go out to the fairgrounds and bring customers in.

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**Lesley Rieman. Johnston** - May 13, 2023 at 11:18 PM

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“ Having Thanksgiving the last few years, him in his wheelchair banging all the cabinets.. telling me he was proud of me, Coming to have coffee at SnS when I first became a manager. And so so many more. He was a funny, loving, caring, man that I will hold close to my heart forever.

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**Michelle Beverly** - May 13, 2023 at 06:27 PM