



James "Jim" Vannoni

May 23, 1968 - January 17, 2021

James "Jim" Vannoni, 52, of Eddyville, died January 17, 2021, at Mercy One Medical Center in Des Moines. He was born May 23, 1968, in Fort Dodge, Iowa, the son of Steven and Sandra Allison Vannoni. He graduated from Oskaloosa High School with the class of 1987. Following graduation, he completed Tulsa Welding School in Tulsa Oklahoma. Following school, he worked all over the country as a union welder on large construction projects. He enjoyed being on job sites of large projects including ship building and welding on high rise buildings. He enjoyed fishing and roller skating. He also enjoyed spending time with his nieces and nephews.

His family includes his parents, Steven and Sandra Vannoni of Sigourney, Iowa; his siblings, Mike (Tracey) Vannoni of Des Moines, Amy (Adama) Kante of Ottumwa, Mark Vannoni of Fremont, and Stephen (Stacey) Vannoni of Albia; and many nieces and nephews.

Graveside funeral service and burial will be held Friday, January 22, 2021 at 1:30 PM in the Cedar Township Memorial Cemetery in Fremont, Iowa with Reverend Jim Eschenbrenner officiating. The Fremont Funeral Chapel is in charge of the arrangements. Visitation with the family present will be held on Friday from 11 a.m. until service time. According to the rules put in place by the Iowa Department of Public Health, proper social distancing and reasonable personal protective equipment is advised for attending a religious

public event.

Cemetery Details

Cedar Township Memorial Cemetery South

Previous Events

Family Visitation

JAN 22. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Fremont Funeral Chapel
Walnut and Main Street
P.O. Box 276
Fremont, IA 52561
(641) 673-7366
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<https://www.fremontfuneralchapel.com/>

Graveside Service

JAN 22. 1:30 PM (CT)

Cedar Township Memorial Cemetery South

Tribute Wall

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“ Jim is an unforgettable part of our family. Our kids loved him, our pets loved him, our friends loved him. He never missed a birthday party for the kids or a chance to go on the river in the boats. Jim would try to help anyone he could. He definitely had the gift of gab, I don't think he ever stopped talking! Haha! He had so many stories and just when you thought you'd heard everything he'd have more for you. Oh and that laugh.... We wont forget the time he let the girls paint his fingernails all different colors then found out we had no polish remover so he ended up owning "pretty nails" for a couple weeks until he got it all picked off.

It's so very sad that Jim's time on earth was cut short. We know he still had so many more stories to make and share with those he loved... but we can wait I guess, 'til we meet again, Jim Boloney, we love you.

~Niki, JJ, Hayden, Hayley & Ryley~



Nicole Jones & JJ Spruell - January 22, 2021 at 10:05 AM

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“ Kelly and Kristen Williams - Wichita, KS purchased the Sweet Solace Spray for the family of James "Jim" Vannoni.



Kelly and Kristen Williams - Wichita, KS - January 21, 2021 at 03:40 PM

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“ I met Jim in 1985 when I was 15 years old, in a corn detassling field near Fremont and the intersection leading to the airport by White Oak. A bunch of my friends and I decided to earn some summer money and of course, meet guys, lol. We met an entire group of guys, first names only I'll name here, some who have gone on before us; Jim, Carroll, Ben, Chith, Tommy, Brian, John, Todd, Damen, Kevin, and many more, while we were dubbed the Fremont girls, myself, Bridget, Jan, Sherry, Sheffiney, Jodi, and more.. and during this carefree time, we had fun memories and it didn't matter where we lived, who our parents were, etc.. we just had fun. Jim was always so caring, calm, comforting.. we even had a situation where the contractors came in from out of state.. we all never forgot this.. this mysterious small man with this larger woman with bleached long blond hair and these hats.. they would try and invite us into their temporary house in the cornfields by the highway..and one day we were all sitting in there on this rug during a break in our work, thinking how cool they were, when one of the guys accidentally made the corner of the rug turn up, and there was a huge pentagram on the floor underneath! We all scream and scatter out of the door trying to get in cars of whoever had one (most of us were under age to drive), but Jim handled them, the adults, saying to just leave us all alone and we would be on our way. Silly story, but one that included him.

I saw him just last year at the funeral of my nephew, Jessie. I didn't recognize him when he spoke to me, but he made a joke as I walked by him, until I realized it was him. I hadn't seen him in over 20 years, and he seemed so different, so frail, I guess? Yet he was still smiling, friendly and kind, like he always has been. I was so shocked and sad when I learned about his stroke; not believing that one who traveled and worked so hard, was gone already, no children to mourn him, but many people who cared for him and tried to help him in his life's journey. Praying for his family, left behind, and for the hopes that no one will forget him, and share photos of him, like this one, which is how I always knew him. "Mr. Mustache".. Rest In Peace dear friend.

Kristen - January 21, 2021 at 03:37 PM



“ *Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Vannoni.*



January 21, 2021 at 03:20 PM



“ *Vannoni where do I start well number one u and that fast ass Camaro u drove like a bat straight outta hell scared me to death many time s I thought they'd pry our lifelessbodies from that contraption! And I remember u driving my transam when it was pitch dark about 12 am home from ottumwa when alternator crapped out we made it home without head lights and not a soul behind us that was a crazy moon light ride.!!!Theres many more but one thing for sure Bannon I will always love u forever until we see each other rock out in heaven always be grinning they will all wonder what's on ur mind. RIP buddy*

Shari Leatherman - January 21, 2021 at 12:37 PM

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“ I'm Jim's best girl friend my names tonya.
Jim lived with me for over a year until it got cold then he moved. We spent every day together. I have so many memories with him but the one that meant the most was when we almost died together cause my brakes decided to lock up and there was a train across the track's so I decided to take the ditch and we were like the dukes of hazzard in the air and when we hit I looked over at him and he had a hold of my grip handle with his eyes closed I says hey Vannoni you can open your eyes were alive he opened his eyes and they were the size of half dollar and says to me girl girl I don't know but how did you do that I says I just took the right path . He literally shit his pants I'll never forget that day. He was always laughing and he told me everything we cried together an never judged one another . I'm sure going to miss him an our walks and talks an Walmart trips. Fly high buddy an laugh daily that's what you did best. Till we meet again I'll look for you in the sun sets and the stars rest in peace my best gie friend. Vannoni balogne I love you.
Tonya Lee price

Tonya price - January 20, 2021 at 11:14 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Vannoni.



January 20, 2021 at 07:11 PM