



## James D Woodruff

November 29, 1938 - September 4, 2020

Princeton – James D. Woodruff, 81, passed away on Friday, September 4, 2020 at his home surrounded by his loved ones.

Jim was born in Chicago, IL on November 29, 1938 to the late David and Goldy (Anderson) Woodruff. He attended Triton College and studied mechanics, electronics, and hydraulics. He spent the majority of his life working as a vehicle mechanic. In his later years he worked as a ground equipment repair man for United Airlines in Chicago. He also was a certified welder and forklift mechanic. Jim married Eloise Dodd on June 15, 1963 at the Grace Lutheran Church, in Chicago. Jim and Eloise were married for over 57 years before his passing.

He loved to hunt pheasant and deer, take a nice ride on his Harley or go bowling. He would tinker with vehicles on the side. He loved to travel, one of the reasons he started working for United. He and Eloise would travel to amazing destinations and see the world. A couple of their fondest memories were trips to Alaska and Australia.

Jim is survived by his wife, Eloise Woodruff; two daughters, Deanna (Jim) Rahl of Northlake, IL and Denise (Micel) Smith of Cameron Park, CA; two grandchildren, Katie Bug and Kyle; one brother, Richard (Sue) Woodruff from Washington; as well as many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his parents, David and Goldy Woodruff, and his sister, Evelyn Males.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to the Lung Foundation or Pulmonary Fibrosis Research.

The family will hold a private Celebration of Life at a later date and time.

Arrangements by Norberg Memorial Home, Inc. & Monuments.

Online condolences and memorials may be directed to [www.norbergfh.com](http://www.norbergfh.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James D Woodruff.*



September 11, 2020 at 04:03 PM



“ *We are sorry for your loss. May your memories help you thru this time. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of the family. From all of us at Mobile Meals*

**SUSAN E LUCAS** - September 08, 2020 at 09:48 AM



“ *JIM VITEK purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of James D Woodruff.*



**JIM VITEK** - September 07, 2020 at 07:16 PM



“ *So many fond, fun memories of time shared with the two of you. Enjoyed every minute of your company! Wishing you peace and love in this difficult time.*



**Ann Griseto** - September 06, 2020 at 01:13 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of James D Woodruff.*



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September 06, 2020 at 12:08 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James D Woodruff.*



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September 05, 2020 at 05:47 PM



“ *Mrs. Fields Nibblers® Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of James D Woodruff.*



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“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of James D Woodruff.*



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