



C. James Cook

August 24, 2012

C. James Cook, 73, of Napoleon, Ohio went home to sing in God's heavenly choir on August 24, 2012. He was born July 26, 1939 in Napoleon to the Charles A. & Hilda (Homan) Cook. On February 11, 1989, he married Beth (Richards) Cook at Peace Lutheran Church. Jim owned and operated Jim's Snowmobile Sales and was an avid snowmobiler who enjoyed the trails of Northern Michigan. He was a member of GWRRA and loved showing off his trike and taking ice cream rides. He started his working career as a car salesman "Honest Jim, the working man's friend" for several local automotive dealerships and retired from Gerken Paving as a heavy equipment operator in 2002. Jim faithfully attended and served God at Peace Evangelical Lutheran Church, rural Deshler, where he served as trustee, elder, and foremost as bass in the church choir. He also served on the new kitchen committee and was chairman of the Christmas Candy pack for several years. He is survived by his wife, Beth, son, Jeff (Becky) Cook and daughter, Jenise Cook, both of Napoleon, and Beth's children, Tracy Ekstrand and Richard Ekstrand of Napoleon, and Dan Junge of Powell, grandchildren, Devin, Nicholas, Jeremy, and Matthew Cook, and Amber (Kris) Link, Nathan Ekstrand, Jerica (Tom) Fisher, Josie Kline, and Makaela Ekstrand. and great grandchildren, Kourtney, Kirstin, Gavin, Jadyn, and Eli, and a brother, Kenneth (Nancy) Lange of Napoleon, and his faithful companion, Sam. He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Chelsea. Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday at Peace Lutheran Church, Deshler. Interment will follow at Grelton Cemetery.

Visitation will be held on Monday from 2-8 p.m. at Rodenberger Funeral Home, Napoleon and Tuesday from 10-11 a.m. at the church. The family suggest memorials be made to Henry County Humane Society or a charity of the donor's choice. Online condolences may be made at www.rodenbergerfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ Beth so sorry for your loss, I guess I missed it because I thought his first name was Jim. It was good to see you.##imported-begin##Bob Hutchinson##imported-end##

September 17, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ My condolences to the Cook family. I'll miss seeing Jim at Hefty's when I come home to visit. Coffee won't be the same.##imported-begin##Wendy (korak) Carlston##imported-end##

September 01, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Beth, So very sorry for your loss. Praying that God, your family, and dear friends will give you strength to face the future without Jim.##imported-begin##Gary & Lila Wernecke##imported-end##

August 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ He will certainly be given a great welcome to the Heavenly choir. He had a beautiful voice. What can one say but, we certainly will miss him and he is doing his part now with the Lord.##imported-begin##Ralph & Ruth Smith##imported-end##

August 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ One of the good guys in Life. Always appreciated his company, humor and conversation. Beth and family: may Christ's loving arms surround and sustain you through this time.##imported-begin##Pastor Mark English##imported-end##

August 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Beth- our thoughts, hearts and prayers go out to you, and your family, both now and in the days, weeks and months to come. We would like to be there but Rich is having health issues right now and so cannot get there this week. Hope to see you soon. Love & God's Blessings of comfort and strength. Rich & Nancy##imported-begin##Rich & Nancy Follett##imported-end##

August 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ our thoughts and prayers are with you and our family Iona Burdue and Family##imported-begin##Iona Burdue##imported-end##

August 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Beth and family, my sincere condolences of the loss of Jim. Sorry I am not in the area for visitation. Just know I am thinking of you and that you are in my thoughts and prayers. May you find peace in your memories. JoLyn Nye##imported-begin##Jo Lyn Nye##imported-end##

August 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our hearts will remember long after the we've said our good-byes.....Our hearts will remember. Jim joins me in sending our love and deepest sympathy.Jim and Pat Meyer##imported-begin##Patricia Leonard Meyer##imported-end##*

August 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM