



James Monroe Lawson Jr.

May 23, 1945 - June 18, 2020

James Monroe Lawson, Jr., 75, of Brentwood, passed away June 18, 2020, at Williamson County Medical Center.

James was born on May 23, 1945, in Detroit, Michigan to James Monroe Lawson, Sr. and Nannie Mae (Ledford) Lawson.

James grew up in Middle Tennessee. An Eagle Scout, he graduated from White County High School and Tennessee Tech University. After serving his country with honor in the US Air Force, he worked as a Certified Public Accountant for many years, retiring in 2014 from Maggart and Associates, PC in Nashville, TN. A devoted and loving husband and father, he enjoyed spending time with his wife and daughter, loving on his many dogs, enjoying a variety of good music, traveling around the United States (proudly stepping foot in all 50 states), and cheering on the UT Vols football team (Go Big Orange!).

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include his loving wife of 27 years, Joan Avis (Ziegler) Lawson, Brentwood, TN; daughter, Emma Rebecca Lawson, Brentwood, TN; sister, Kathleen (and Mickey) Sparkman, Nashville, TN; brother Stacy (and Terri) Lawson, Lebanon, TN; niece, Ryan Kathleen Lawson of Mt. Juliet, TN;

nephews Samuel Monroe Lawson of Mt. Juliet, TN (US Navy Veteran) and Corey Wayne Lawson of Covington, KY (US Marine Corps Veteran); and a plethora of other loving family and friends.

A private, family service with military honors will be held at the Middle Tennessee Veterans Cemetery—arrangements by Phillips-Robinson Funeral Home, Nashville, TN.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Peterson Foundation for Parkinsons, Nashville, TN, or a local humane society.

Cemetery Details

Middle-TN State Veterans Cemetery

7931 McCrory Ln.
Nashville, TN 37221

Tribute Wall



“ *James Monroe Lawson Jr.*

October 14, 2022 at 08:02 PM



“ *Keitha Thompson lit a candle in memory of James Monroe Lawson Jr.*



Keitha Thompson - June 22, 2020 at 09:46 AM



“ *Jim was such a sweetheart. He loved music so much and shared albums with me. Another beautiful memory I had was when I told him I was getting a kitten and was worried about my grown cat wouldn't get enough love. He said your love will grow. That's what love does. I never forgot it. A beautiful loving man who dearly loved his Joan and Emma. He will be missed.*

Barbara Futter - June 19, 2020 at 09:46 PM



“ *I wish to extend my heartfelt condolences to you and your family and I also pray that God give you strength, comfort and guidance during this most difficult time.*

David Threet - June 19, 2020 at 08:59 PM

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“*Fine brothers-in-law of Jim's quality are hard to find. I will always remember his gracious hospitality on my trip to Tennessee to meet Kathy's family. I treasure his friendship of these many years, especially our political discussions. It was so good to always have a fellow traveler on our "journey of reform". Jim I pledge: Illegitimi non carborundum! You will be missed.*

Mickey Sparkman - June 19, 2020 at 12:24 PM

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Kathy, May you and Jim's family find comfort and peace in the days and weeks that come

Anne Hamill - June 25, 2020 at 11:39 AM