

Jim Alvis Gaines

July 2, 1943 - February 19, 2017

Jim Alvis Gaines, son of the late Alvis Freeman Gaines and Lula Crain Gaines, was born on July 2, 1943 at Pontiac Michigan and departed this life on February 19, 2017 at St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at the age of 73.

Mr. Gaines was a member of the Southwest Church of The Nazarene.

He was a former brick mason working in construction. His interests included, pro stock, muscle cars, and drag racing at Sikeston.

He loved music and taught himself to play the guitar.

He met his wife, Ruth Mason, at Elder's Manufacturing in Dexter.

They were united in marriage on January 31, 1964 at Dexter, Missouri.

Ruth survives of the home.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two sons, James Kevin Gaines of Dexter, Missouri, Kenny Wayne Gaines (Brenda) of Grand Island, Nebraska; by one daughter, Debbie Speer (Norm) of House Springs, Missouri; by one brother, Gary Lee Gaines (Darlene) of Cape Girardeau, Missouri; by one sister, Sue Gaines Palmet (Jason) of Duluth, Georgia; by four grandchildren, Amanda and Shane Speer, Jada and Lily Grace Gaines.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by one granddaughter, Olivia Jane Gaines.



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Place of Birth: Pontiac, MI
Death: February 19, 2017
Place of Death: Cape Girardeau, MO

Friends may call at the Rainey Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter on Wednesday, February 22, 2017 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

Funeral Services will be conducted on Wednesday, February 22, 2017 at the Rainey Mathis Funeral Chapel at 1:00 PM with Ron King officiating.

Interment will follow at the Dexter Cemetery.