



## James "Jim" Bradley Voils

July 20, 1947 - April 28, 2022

Dateline: Godfrey, IL

James (Jim) Bradley Voils, 74, died at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 28, 2022, at Alton Memorial Hospital. He was born July 20, 1947, in Hillsboro, IL, the son of the late Walter and Lola Mae (McFarlin) Voils. He was a member of SS Peter & Paul Church and a member of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America Local 377. On October 30, 1970, in Godfrey, he married Georgia Hornsey and she survives. Also surviving are three daughters, Bonnie Finger (Richard) of Alton, Olivia Voils of Berlin, Germany, Cindy Clark (Jon) of Godfrey, five grandchildren, Hazel Denother, Eden Finger, Ginger Finger, Eliza Clark, and Stuart Clark, and one brother, David Voils. Besides his parents he was preceded in death by one sister, Barbara Ann Reynolds.

Jim's first job was at Jerry's Brake Service on Airline Drive in Rosewood Heights, where he swept the floors, took out the trash, ran for parts, and washed bearings. He had many jobs over the years including working many years in the insurance industry, but his favorite job was working for IDOT as a temp and a snowbird. Jim identified as a jack-of-all-trades, an adept garage organizer, a proficient mower-of-lawns, a master of knowing the prices of everything, and an expert of engines and cars. A snack connoisseur, he especially enjoyed Vividly Vanilla Ice Cream and jelly bread. He was friendly,

energetic, and outgoing; he could strike up a conversation with anyone he encountered. Jim loved chewing gum and showed his affection through frequent offerings of gum to the people he cared about. He made sure that the pockets of his grandchildren, who affectionately call him “Opa,” were always overflowing with gum. Jim was an avid photographer, and he leaves behind thousands of photos of family and friends. He enjoyed looking back at the many photographs he had taken and reminiscing with others about old times. Visitation will be from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 1, 2022, at Gent Funeral Home in Alton. A mass of Christian burial will be at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, May 2, 2022, at SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Alton. Father Jeff Holtman will officiate. Burial will be at St. Patrick’s Cemetery in Godfrey. Memorials may be made to SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church. Additional information and online guest book may be found at [www.gentfuneralhome.com](http://www.gentfuneralhome.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 1. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Gent Funeral Home Inc  
2409 State Street  
Alton, IL 62002  
(618) 466-5544  
<https://www.gentfuneralhome.com/>

## Funeral Mass

MAY 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

SS Peter & Paul Catholic Church  
Alton, IL 62002

# Tribute Wall



“ *James "Jim" Bradley Voils*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *James "Jim" Bradley Voils*

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Cindy and family,  
Sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers to all of you.  
Donnie and Sue Ansell*

**Sue and Donnie Ansell** - April 30, 2022 at 10:24 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for  
the family of James "Jim" Bradley Voils.*



April 30, 2022 at 07:54 PM



“ *Thoughts and prayers for the family!*

**Sherry Hornsey** - April 29, 2022 at 11:21 PM

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“ Amanda Abernathy lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Bradley Voils



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**Amanda Abernathy** - April 29, 2022 at 10:44 PM

JH

“ Jim And Connie Hornsey lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Bradley Voils



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**Jim and Connie Hornsey** - April 29, 2022 at 07:43 PM

JH

“ I remember getting a wedding invitation and had let Georgia Jim know I wouldn't be able to make it. Unfortunately I had government commitments. I was serving with a Marine infantry unit in Vietnam. Jim got a new 69 Chevy Z-28 Camaro shortly before I went in the Marines. Absolutely beautiful blue with white stripes. Maybe a day or two after my return from Vietnam he took me for a ride. A wild ride. Down Rt3 at 140mph! Up over the over pass by the old Olin tube mill. As we crested the top you could feel the air get under the nose and get stated to sway. I thought Dear God I made it though Vietnam and he is going to kill me. Those were the days.

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**James Hornsey** - April 29, 2022 at 07:39 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Bradley Voils.*



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April 29, 2022 at 07:02 PM



“ *I am so very sorry for your loss, Georgia and family. Keeping you in my prayers and thoughts.*

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**Judy Clark** - April 29, 2022 at 04:51 PM