



## James Robert Tolle

March 13, 1931 - February 6, 2016

Dateline: Godfrey

James Robert Tolle, 84, passed at 11:25 p.m. Saturday, February 6, 2016 at Robings Manor in Brighton with his family by his side. Born March 13, 1931 in Godfrey, he was the son of the late George and Bessie (Watson) Tolle. He married Ann Hughes, his loving wife of 61 years, on July 10, 1954. She survives. James was a U.S. Army Korean War Veteran honorably discharged in March of 1954. He was employed as a machinist at Owens Illinois for 43 years before retiring in 1994. His hobbies included maintaining numerous rental properties, gardening, yard work, tinkering with and refurbishing old tractors. He and his wife loved to dance and were regulars at the Alton VFW Post 1308, where he was a lifetime member. He loved family gatherings at his home on 4th of July and Christmas holidays. He is survived by three sons, a daughter and their spouses, James and Linda of Grafton, Jeff and Linda of Brighton, Jerry and Trish of Godfrey, Janice and Tim Fee of Bethalto, 8 grandchildren, Jackie Pollard (Larry) of Alton, Justin Tolle (Courtney) of Champaign, James Tolle of Alton, Jerald Tolle of Godfrey, Jenna Tolle of Godfrey, Tregg Fee of Bethalto, Makenzi Fee of Bethalto, and Lindsey Coughlin (Ryan) of Bethalto, three great grandchildren, Jayda, Grace, and Jack, and two sisters, Helen Hickerson of Alton and Shirley Warner (Gene) of Godfrey. In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by a brother George Tolle and five sisters, Clara Beard, Mina Trask, Mary Pohlman, Alma

DeSherlia and Fern Depper. Visitation will be from 4:00-8:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at Gent Funeral Home in Alton where funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, February 11, 2016. Reverend Julie Kies will officiate. Burial will be at Godfrey Cemetery with full military honors by the VFW Post 1308. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. Online guestbook and information may be found at [www.gentfuneralhome.com](http://www.gentfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB **10**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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

## Funeral

FEB **11**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *James Robert Tolle*

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January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *James Robert Tolle*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Jeff, we just heard of your dad's passing, and we are deeply saddened by your loss. We would see him outside working or walking and when we honked he would always have a great big smile on his face. Please know that we are here for you if you'd like to talk or need ANYTHING. You and your fam are in our hearts and prayers.*

*Our sincerest sympathy to Jerry, Janice and Jim*

*Love Bill and Mary Baker*

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**Mary Baker** - February 15, 2016 at 01:50 PM



“ *A very good man! Both of were always very friendly ! I am very sorry for the families loss! God has another angel watching over all of you!*

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**Ruth Ford** - February 11, 2016 at 08:42 AM

LM

“ Miss your family from our days at the church on Godfrey Rd. I often think of you as I drive across Tolle Lane. Take care Ann and family you are in my thoughts and prayers. Linda Mortland

Linda Mortland - February 10, 2016 at 08:50 PM

LH

“ I often saw Uncle Jim out in the yard working on my many trips to play with cousins and visit Grandma. His common greeting was, "Linda Sue, how do you do?" I would reply, "Not too much, don't wanna get in dutch!" Another thing he often said was, "You're a sight for sore eyes." It took me years to figure out that I didn't make his eyes hurt. :) Fond memories of reunions he and Aunt Ann hosted....he will be missed.



Linda Henning - February 10, 2016 at 02:29 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of James Robert Tolle.



February 10, 2016 at 09:59 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of James Robert Tolle.



February 09, 2016 at 08:14 PM

SC

“ *Shelia Tolle Cruthird lit a candle in memory of James Robert Tolle*



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**Shelia Tolle Cruthird** - February 08, 2016 at 09:08 PM

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*I would always remember when Uncle Jim would come over and visit my dad . They was always out in the garage . And when I would drive up . They would both have big grins on there faces . And I will never forget that . Love you Uncle Jim .*

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**Shelia Tolle Cruthird** - February 08, 2016 at 09:15 PM

PW

*I remember Jim coming to church on Christmas Eve and worshipping with us all in church. I also remember him riding his bicycle up and down Tolle Lane.*

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**Philip Waidmann** - February 09, 2016 at 10:02 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of James Robert Tolle.*



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February 08, 2016 at 07:02 PM