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James Walter Noles

Dec. 26, 1946 - Jan. 31, 2023

James Walter Noles, 76, of Morganton, NC, passed away Tuesday, January 31, 2023.

Born in Burke County, NC on December 26, 1946, he was the son of Florence Duckworth Ollis and the late Max Herman Noles. James was a member of Arney's Fairview United Methodist Church for over 47 years. He was a jolly man who enjoyed laughing and telling jokes. James never met a stranger and liked going out with his friends and going on double-dates with his in-laws. He loved cooking and reading, and he especially loved his family.

James is survived by his wife of 55 years, Patricia Moore Noles; daughters, Jamie Noles Cline (Gary) and Jodie Noles Bartlett (Chris); grandchildren, Bethany Cline Harris (Justin), Thomas Bartlett (Kaitlyn), and Karleigh Bartlett; great-granddaughter, Grace Harris; brother, Max Robert "Buddy" Noles (Sandra); sister, Linda Lowe; and very close friends, Benny Storie and Libby Biggs.

The family will receive friends 3 to 4 p.m., Sunday, February 5, 2023 at Arney's Fairview United Methodist Church. The memorial service will follow at 4 p.m. in the church with Rev. Jon Wallace and Rev. Dr. Gary Cline officiating.

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Memorial Contributions may be made to Arney's Fairview United Methodist Church, Morganton, NC

Tribute Wall

Buddy and Sandra, so sorry for your loss. Prayers for you and your family.

—Shirley Dale

Mr. and Mrs. Noles were an integral part of my childhood. They were always warm and welcoming and made us feel at home when we attended Sunday services. I will forever be thankful for their influence on my childhood. Mrs. Pat— I am sending you all my love and praying for peace.

—Sarah Sanders Schrodt

So sorry for your. James and I were close friends and he will be missed So sorry for your loss. James and I were very close friends and I will miss him. I can't help but think of all the times over the years we cooked BBQ . And all the salmon stew meals we cooked at my house and yours Good Bye for now my friend we will meet again.

—Benny Storie



Pat Jody Jamie and James's Mother Florance (Bobbie) and Buddy I am sorry for your loss. James was such a wonderful fun loving person. I don't think anyone could ever say anything bad about him. I loved him dearly and I sure am going to miss him. prayers for the whole family

—linda O butler

Pat, I am so sorry to hear about James. he was sweet and a load of fun. Who will entertain us at reunion dinners? Always enjoyed listening to him. Sorry I cant come. Love and prayers to you and family. Frances Carpenter

—Frances Whisnant Carpenter

I am so sorry for your loss. He was a dear friend to everyone. Your family will be in my thoughts and prayers. Rita Nichols and family.

—Rita Niichols



Condolences for the family. James always had a smile and was very sweet, caring and loving. He was very devoted to God and his church family. We will definitely miss him, especially in Sunday School class. Happy that he is not suffering anymore. RIP James. We love you. Renee & Nina

—Renee Faircloth and Nina Loven

I worked with James for a number of years at WCC .He was such a good worker and friend. He was always happy and kind. Pat you and the family are in my prayers. Gary Harbison

—Gary Harbison

—Judy Noles Bowman

Pat and Jodi,. I'm so sorry to hear of your loss. James was such a wonderful man and his calming, balancing, wise and humorous influence will be missed sorely. Praying for you all and the whole family. In his love.

—Gary Pritchard

With deepest sympathy for Patricia & family. James will always be remembered by his OHHS classmates & friends for his kind spirit & humor. RIP James Sincerely Edward & Gwynn K. Brockbank



I love you daddy and will miss you so much but now you have your wings

–Jodie



My prayers and love to your family. I never got to meet him but everything that I heard about him from Jamie he was a great man and father. My condolences to you.

–Denise Delorenzo



Buddy and Sandra, Sincere condolences to you in the loss of your brother. Sincerely, Margot Withrow

–Margot Withrow

So sorry to hear about James passing. Prayers for Pat and family.

–Rick Ray

Pat, we are so sorry for your loss. James was a good man and will never be forgotten. We will keep you all in our thoughts and prayers. Keep the memories that mean the most to you close in your heart. With sincere sympathy.

–Lib & Dean Allman



Jamie, Jody and Pat— I'm so sorry for your loss. I'll always have great memories of James from our younger years. I will keep you all in my prayers. Love Lisa Hoyle Mellon

—Lisa Mellon