



James L. Hammel Jr.

December 31, 2023

James Leonard Hammel, Jr., 89, of Elizabethtown passed away on Sunday, December 31, 2023 at Masonic Village, Elizabethtown. He was the widower of Elizabethanne (Newcomer) Hammel. He was born in Lancaster and was the loving son of James L. Hammel, Sr. and Clara (Wise) Gainer.

James was a Penn Manor High School graduate and a three-year veteran of the United States Marine Corps. He worked at Armstrong World Industries working with sheet metal and was a supervisor until he retired in 1991. He then worked for Herr & Sacco until 1997 when he retired. He was a member of the Elizabethtown Masonic Lodge 43. He enjoyed hunting, gardening, fishing, and boating.

James is survived by his son, James L. Hammel, III of Millsboro, DE (Tanya Noack), daughter, Bethanne (Hammel) Robinson (Brian L.) of Lancaster, PA, granddaughters, Ashley Hammel (Ian Thomson) of Columbia, SC, and Kelsey Hammel of Lewes, DE, half-brothers, John "Jack" Gainer of Manheim, Dana Gainer of Georgetown and many nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents and wife, James was preceded in death by his sisters, Frances Lorraine Besch, Juel Stevens.

Relatives and friends are invited to James' Memorial Service at The Groff Family Funeral Home, 528 West Orange Street, Lancaster, PA on Saturday,

January 27, 2024 at 12 Noon . There will be a visitation from 11:00 a.m. until the time of service.

Inurnment will be private at Conestoga Memorial Park at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made in James' name to Masonic Village Hospice, <https://masonicvillagehospice.org/donate>.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **27**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Lancaster, PA 17603
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of James L. Hammel Jr.*



The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - January 26, 2024 at 12:33 PM



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The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - January 26, 2024 at 01:41 PM



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The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - January 26, 2024 at 10:10 AM



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The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - January 25, 2024 at 05:01 PM



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The Groffs Family Funeral and Cremation Services Inc - January 24, 2024 at 05:00 PM

MN

“ *Maren and Volker Noack purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James L. Hammel Jr..*



Maren and Volker Noack - January 24, 2024 at 02:19 PM

CH

“ *On behalf of Herr & Sacco we are sorry for your loss. I worked with Jim in the sheet metal shop for a number of years and enjoyed learning from him as well as watching Jim take raw materials and through his craftsmanship making finished goods.*

Chris - January 11, 2024 at 07:47 AM

JG

“ I always enjoyed working with Jim both through Armstrong and at Herr & Sacco. My sincerest sympathy.
John Geltmacher

John Geltmacher - January 10, 2024 at 10:23 AM

MB

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. My heart goes out to all. Jim and Liz are now together again. Will always treasure the years we were neighbors.

melissa burkhardt - January 07, 2024 at 07:40 PM