



## James (Jim) Charles Fransen

April 29, 1954 - September 26, 2015

### JAMES (JIM) CHARLES FRANSEN

James (Jim) Charles Fransen, 61, of Shawnee, KS passed away on September 26, 2015 at Overland Park Regional Medical Center. A visitation for Jim will be held from 6-8 P.M. on Wednesday, September 30, 2015 at Maple Hill Funeral Home. Funeral service will be held at 10:30 A.M. on Thursday, October 1, 2015 at Maple Hill Funeral Home.

Jim was born on April 29, 1954 to Arnold and Edith Fransen in Iowa City, Iowa. He spent the last 30 years of his life working as a successful office salesman. He is survived by his loving wife and son, Patty and Dustin Fransen. As well as sister, Susie Thrans. Jim also leaves behind many family and friends. Please visit Jim's memorial website at [www.maplehillfuneralhome.com](http://www.maplehillfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **30**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Maple Hill Funeral Home  
3300 Shawnee Dr  
Kansas City, KS 66106  
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## Service

OCT **1**. 10:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *James (Jim) Charles Fransen*

October 08, 2023 at 10:59 AM



“ *James (Jim) Charles Fransen*

September 17, 2022 at 08:24 PM



“ *RIP "Franny"...Enjoyed knowing you and playing softball with you.  
Keith Sandvold/Cedar Falls, ia*

**keith sandvold** - October 15, 2015 at 04:49 PM



“ *Susie ( Jim's Sister) ?????? lit a candle in  
memory of James (Jim) Charles Fransen*



**Susie ( Jim's sister) ??????** - October 06, 2015 at 09:12 PM



“ *I was Jim's roommate and teammate at UNI back in the day. I have  
thought about him many times and obviously we lost track. We had  
a lot of great times and I pray God's peace upon your family. Dave  
Schooley*

**Dave Schooley** - October 06, 2015 at 09:27 AM

TS

“ *Tori & Jeff Suchanek lit a candle in memory of James (Jim) Charles Fransen*



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**Tori & Jeff Suchanek** - October 02, 2015 at 04:02 PM

MS

“ *Our condolences to the Fransen family. We knew Jim many, many years ago when he worked for Total Office Products. He was a very good salesman and you could always count on his smile.*  
*Mark & Vicki Stewart*

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**Mark Stewart** - October 01, 2015 at 02:36 PM

NY

“ *Our sincere sympathy for the loss of Jim. We have know Jim for many years as our Sales Rep. He was always very pleasant, professional and extremely nice. We enjoyed working with him and will miss him. May God Bless your family. -- Teamsters Local 41*



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**Nancy Yoke** - October 01, 2015 at 01:41 PM

JY

“ *John Yeldell lit a candle in memory of James (Jim) Charles Fransen*



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**John Yeldell** - October 01, 2015 at 01:07 PM

BF

“ *Becky Fatout lit a candle in memory of James (Jim) Charles Fransen*



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**Becky Fatout** - October 01, 2015 at 11:48 AM

BF

*So sorry to hear about Jim, I enjoyed working with him over the years. You will be in my thought & prayers. Becky Fatout, Vance Bros. Inc*

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**Becky Fatout** - October 01, 2015 at 11:50 AM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Jim was such a nice guy and it was an honor to have known and worked with him!*

*Jonathan Schatz - Office Essentials*

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**Jonathan Schatz** - October 01, 2015 at 09:23 AM

PR

“ *Mr. Fransen always had that friendly smile every time you saw him. A great father, husband and overall person. He will be missed dearly. Fransen family will be in our prayers.*

*Parker Rhoads & Carrie Emen*

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**parker rhoads** - October 01, 2015 at 01:25 AM

SS

“ *Shawnee Mission Primary Care Prairie Star purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James (Jim) Charles Fransen.*



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**Shawnee Mission Primary Care Prairie Star** - September 30, 2015 at 05:41 PM

BW

“ *Great to have had an opportunity to know and learn from this great man. My condolences to the family. - Brett Wright*

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**Brett Wright** - September 30, 2015 at 01:51 PM

JL

“ *The employees of Johnson County Park and Recreation District join me in extending our sympathy at the passing of Jim, our long-time business associate. We will surely miss the presence of a truly kind person. May the soul of Jim rest in peace!*

*Jane Lickteig*

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**Jane Lickteig** - September 30, 2015 at 11:35 AM

MM

“ *Mike & Nicole Mapstone purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James (Jim) Charles Fransen.*



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**Mike & Nicole Mapstone** - September 30, 2015 at 10:21 AM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James (Jim) Charles Fransen.*



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September 30, 2015 at 10:18 AM



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*Jane Lickteig*

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**Jane Lickteig** - September 30, 2015 at 10:17 AM



“ *Heavenly Grace Spray was purchased for the family of James (Jim) Charles Fransen.*



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September 30, 2015 at 09:24 AM

CH

“ I also knew Jimmy for over 20 years through playing basketball together. He was always friendly and easy to talk to. Many times we talked about having faith in Jesus. Patty and Dustin, to lose a husband and father so suddenly must be very painful. I pray that you may take comfort in knowing that because of his faith in Jesus, he is in heaven now. May the joy of the Lord be your strength.

*Chuck Horsley*

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**chuck horsley** - September 29, 2015 at 09:34 PM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of James (Jim) Charles Fransen.



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September 29, 2015 at 05:27 PM

JL

“ My condolences to the Fransen family. I've known Jim since 1998 when I moved to Kansas City. He was always smiling and took time to see how you were doing. Jim will truly be missed by all that knew him.

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**Jim Loomis** - September 29, 2015 at 04:36 PM



“ Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of James (Jim) Charles Fransen.



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September 29, 2015 at 04:16 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of James (Jim) Charles Fransen.*



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September 29, 2015 at 03:41 PM



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**Susie Fransen Thrans** - September 29, 2015 at 03:22 PM



“ *The Saturday basketball games referred to by others have been held at my family's home for a long, long time. Out of that great group of guys, Jim always stood out to me when I would be around for the games. His big smile and genuine greeting never failed to brighten my day and you could tell that he was one of those people who make this world a better place. My thoughts and prayers go out to his family and friends as you grieve the loss of such a great man, yet remember all of the joy he brought to the lives of all who knew him.*

*Debbie Disch*

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**Debbie Disch** - September 29, 2015 at 02:30 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James (Jim) Charles Fransen.*



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September 29, 2015 at 11:33 AM



“ *I had the pleasure of meeting and becoming friends with Jim in college. To us he was always "Fran" or "Franny". We'd play basketball almost every day back then at UNI's Physical Education Center (PEC). We were always looking for a game and we'd even drive 35 or 40 miles to a town called Gladbrook on Sundays to play pick up games against small college bball stars from around eastern Iowa and more than hold our own. Franny was at the core of our group of athletes/friends. I was told that he passed away playing ball, which to me is a blessing because it was something he truly loved to do.*

*He was a great friend to each of us, always willing to go the extra mile and not only for his friends but for strangers as well. In my mind's eye I will always see Franny on the court draining jumpers or wearing his big white cowboy hat to a Willie Nelson concert and the festivities after. He was a genuinely good man and all of us are richer for having known him.*

*To Patty, Dustin and sister Susie,,, I am terribly sorry for your loss and the pain you must be experiencing during this very sad time. Franny had a kind and loving heart and I'm certain that it was filled with love for you. You will be in my prayers. May God bless you today and always.*

*Pat Russo*

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**Patrick Russo** - September 29, 2015 at 11:14 AM

MF

“ *Midwest Medical Specialists Family purchased the Secret Garden Basket for the family of James (Jim) Charles Fransen.*



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**Midwest Medical Specialists Family** - September 29, 2015 at 11:02 AM

JB

“ *Like Victor J, I'm one of the basketball guys who played ball with Jim most every Saturday for almost 20 years. Jim was such a good human being and a person of deep Christian faith. And such a good ball player. We would talk about family and faith between games or while warming up. How much he loved you, Patty and Dustin, was evident when he talked about you. Know that you two and all who grieve the loss of this great man are in my prayers. Rev. Jim (Brandt)*

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**Jim Brandt** - September 29, 2015 at 09:52 AM

SB

“ *Steve and Brenda Burger purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of James (Jim) Charles Fransen.*



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**Steve and Brenda Burger** - September 29, 2015 at 09:21 AM

MI

“ *Such a wonderful man. He called on us here at Sutherlands for 30 years. He was always so happy and willing to do whatever he could to get me what I needed. He was a fixture at Sutherlands and a friend to everyone here. He will be truly missed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to his wife and son.*

Michelle - September 29, 2015 at 08:57 AM

TW

“ *Thank you Sir for your smiling face and kind greetings. Bless you and your family.*



The Wards - September 29, 2015 at 05:31 AM

LB

“ *Lori (Larsen) Button & Jim Button purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James (Jim) Charles Fransen.*



Lori (Larsen) Button & Jim Button - September 28, 2015 at 11:48 PM

RE

“ *Rick & Elena purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of James (Jim) Charles Fransen.*



Rick & Elena - September 28, 2015 at 10:40 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of James (Jim) Charles Fransen.*



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September 28, 2015 at 10:03 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to Patty and Dustin. I've seen Jimmy almost every Saturday for the past twenty years or so. We played basketball with the same group of guys for that long of time. We all lost a dear friend on the court that day.*

*Dustin;*

*When your dad talked about you his face would always light up. Especially when he was heading to see you in Arizona for several rounds of golf. I know he was very proud of you.*

*Remember the past, live the present, trust the future.*

*You and your shot from the corner will be deeply missed.*

*Victor Jacobson*

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**Victor Jacobson** - September 28, 2015 at 08:29 PM