



## James "Jim" Kubasta

October 29, 1940 - September 14, 2024

James "Jim" Kubasta, a devoted family man and accomplished professional, passed away peacefully on September 14, 2024, at the age of 83. Born on October 29, 1940, in Oshkosh, Wisconsin, Jim's life was filled with love, dedication, and adventure. He will be remembered for his devotion to family, his professional achievements, and the love and laughter he shared with those around him.

Jim is survived by his loving wife, Pat, with whom he shared many cherished memories. Together, they raised three children, each of whom brought him immense pride: Jodi Territo and her husband, Paul; Carrie Kubasta Burns; and Kelly Kubasta and his wife, Britnee. Jim was also a proud grandfather to six grandchildren: Samantha and Reneé Territo; Randi Burns Gomez and her husband, Joe, and their four children; Joey Burns and his wife, Lauren; and Jamie and Averee Kubasta.

Jim's career in the oil and gas industry began with Shell in California, where he embarked on a path that took him around the world. Over the years, he also worked for Odeco, Hydrotech, and Vetco, with positions that brought him and his family to places like New Orleans, Scotland, Houston, and California (Los Angeles, Bakersfield, Ventura, Camarillo). His final role before retirement was with Dril-Quip in Houston, marking the end of a distinguished career.

Many of Jim's closest lifelong friends were made through the shared experiences of his professional life.

In retirement, Jim returned to Wisconsin, settling in Wautoma, where he

embraced a quieter life. In his later years, he moved to Montgomery, Texas, to be closer to his children.

Throughout his life, Jim enjoyed traveling to exotic locales, telling stories, snow skiing, challenging himself with puzzles, playing card games, and discussing geologic and rock formations. And, of course, everyone knows how much he loved a good practical joke—with most of us being a victim at some point or another.

Jim leaves behind family and friends whose lives were deeply enriched by his presence, wisdom, and humor. He will be missed, but his legacy will live on through those who knew and loved him.

A service will be held to honor Jim's life at 10:30 am on October 5, 2024, at Saint Mary Church in Plantersville, Texas. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to a charity of your choice in his memory. You may leave written memorials to his family at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com)

# Previous Events

## Service

OCT 5. 10:30 AM (CT)

St Mary's Church  
8185 County Road 205  
Plantersville, TX 77363

# Tribute Wall

RH

“ Robin H. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Jim" Kubasta.

Robin H. - October 04, 2024 at 07:37 PM

MT

“ Molly Territo lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Kubasta



Molly Territo - October 04, 2024 at 02:08 PM

MT

Pat we are so saddened to hear of Jim's passing. Our condolences and prayers go out to you and your family. We love you all so much.

Molly Territo - October 04, 2024 at 02:14 PM

LB

“ Love, Val,Darrel,MaryEllen and Brian purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James "Jim" Kubasta.



Love, Val,Darrel,MaryEllen and Brian - October 04, 2024 at 01:21 PM

RF

“ Rick, Mary and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Jim" Kubasta.

Rick, Mary and Family - October 02, 2024 at 11:40 AM



“ Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Kubasta.



October 02, 2024 at 11:40 AM

MA

“ We sure had some good times with Jim and Pat. Jim wanted to come across as rough and gruff but the twinkle in his eyes gave him away. He Will be missed. Our condolences to you Pat and your family. Bill and Mary Adams

MaryAdams - October 01, 2024 at 06:50 PM

RC

“ Jim was "One of a kind!". A dear friend who enjoyed nothing more than "sparring" with others and volunteering Pat for events. He was always making activities jovial and wouldn't miss being the "point man" on any project or event. Never at a loss for words, he certainly enjoyed "spicing thing" up considerably... He will be missed.. Especially by his Wautoma Kiwanis friends... Thoughts are with you Pat, and family...  
Roger and Mary Charette, Wautoma. WI.

Roger I Charette - September 25, 2024 at 11:13 AM

JC

“ Jim was dedicated to service in my community. It was a pleasure volunteering along side him, especially with his laughter and commitment. From beer tents, to food, to highway cleanups, he was front and center. I also remember wonderful dinners and social gatherings at his house and surrounding restaurants. Throughout, Pat was right at his side.

Thank you, Jim for your service, laughter and friendship. Pat, sending you my love.

Jennifer Culver

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**Jennifer Culver** - September 25, 2024 at 08:05 AM

JJ

“ We'll always remember all the good old times we had. We'll especially remember trying to park our 5th wheel in your driveway in Wisconsin. Thanks for so many memories. Love to you, Pat, and your entire family.

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**January and John** - September 23, 2024 at 03:45 PM