

James "Yimmy" R. Wolney, 68
Sauk Rapids, MN
Mar. 30, 1948 - Nov. 6, 2016



Funeral Services will be 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 11, 2016, at Williams Dingmann Family Funeral Home in Sauk Rapids for James R. Wolney, age 68, who passed away Sunday at Foothill State Forest near Backus. Rev. Ralph Zimmerman will officiate and burial will be at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery near Little Falls at 10 a.m. Monday. Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. Thursday and one hour prior to the services Friday at the funeral home.

James Robert Wolney was born March 30, 1948, in St. Cloud to Clarence and Lucille (Condon) Wolney. He graduated from Sauk Rapids High School in 1966 and lived in the Sauk Rapids area most of his life. Jim served his country in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He married Vicky Varner

on Sept. 9, 1972, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Sauk Rapids. Jim worked at the St. Cloud VA Medical Center for 30 years, retiring in 2003. He taught firearm safety for 40 years and volunteered at the St. Cloud VA Medical Center. Jim was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, a life time member of St. Cloud East Side VFW Post No. 4847 and a former member of Sauk Rapids American Legion Post No. 254. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, camping and spending time with family and good friends. Jim was kind, giving, selfless and always put others before himself. He had a great sense of humor, an answer for everything and always made people laugh and smile. Jim was a loving husband and father and touched so many lives.

Survivors include his wife, Vicky of Sauk Rapids; son, Chad (Joy) of Buffalo; brother and sister, Patrick of Sauk Rapids and Beverly Jendro of St. Cloud; in-laws, Debbie and Dave Olson of Monticello and Stacy and Ryan Olson of Victoria; nieces and nephews, Payton and Dylon Olson, and Curt Jendro and daughter, Aaliyah; and his camping group. Jim was preceded in death by his parents and nephew, Tom Jendro.

Jim was so special and had many friendships that will be never forgotten.

Obituary, guestbook and video tribute available online: www.williamsdingmann.com.

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