



## James "Jim" R. Shawger

March 31, 1956 - December 23, 2022

James "Jim" R. Shawger, 66 of Nashport, passed away 3:01 PM, Thursday, December 22, 2022, at Genesis Hospital. He was born Saturday, March 31, 1956, in Zanesville, the son of Dick Shawger and June (Collopy) Shawger. He was married to love of this life for over 45 years, Marge (Durant) Shawger who survives. He was a member of St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church.

Jim was a meat cutter with Gibson Packing, Zane Foodtown and retired from Westside Market. He was renowned for his famous sausage sandwiches. He was a member of Knights of Columbus Council 505, and was an avid sports fan. He loved the Cleveland Indians and was a big defender of the Cleveland Browns, no matter what their season brought.

Jim loved bowling, golf, cards and just spending time with all his friends and neighbors. He was very active in all his children's sports activities and could tell you all the details of each game. Jim was a loving husband, father and grandfather. He enjoyed spending time with them, his siblings, their families and his friends. He especially enjoyed being with his father-in-law and caring for him in his later years. Everyone who knew Jim loved him, he never met a stranger.

Jim is survived by one daughter, Mindy (Mark) Blankenbecker; two sons, Scott Shawger and Brad (Bethany) Shawger; four grandchildren, Marleigh & Maddie

Short and Jimi & Connor Coveney; seven siblings, Jeff (Diana) Shawger, Susan Baltzer, Nancy Arnold, John (Bonnie) Shawger, Mike (Kelly) Shawger, Tom (Tara) Shawger and Molly (Bob) Haslam; four brothers-in-law, Mike (Vanessa) Durant, Mark (Ivy) Soter, Matt (Jenny) Durant and Martin Durant; three very special friends, Phil, Rhonda and Cheryl; numerous nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

In addition to his parents, Jim was preceded in death by his step-father, Jim Fountain; his father & mother-in-law, Herb & Betty Durant; one sister-in-law, Kathy Shawger; one brother-in-law, Jim Arnold, one nephew, Aaron Baltzer and one niece Langdon Thomas

Friends may call from 2:00 to 4:00 & 6:00 to 8:00 PM, Tuesday, December 27, 2022, at the Hillis, Combs & Nestor Funeral Home, 935 Forest Avenue, Zanesville. Following visitation a there will be a time of personal reflection for family and friends. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated, 10:30 AM, Wednesday, December 28, 2022, at St. Nicholas Catholic Church, 925 East Main Street, Zanesville, with Fr. Martin J. Ralko as celebrant. Burial will follow in Mt. Olive Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of one's choice in Jim's memory. To sign the online register book or to send a personal condolence note please visit [www.hilliscombsnestor.com](http://www.hilliscombsnestor.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **27**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Hillis Combs Funeral Home  
935 Forest Avenue  
Zanesville, OH 43701  
(740) 452-5494  
directors@hilliscombsnestor.com  
<https://www.hilliscombsnestor.com>

## Visitation

DEC **27**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Mass of Christian Burial

DEC **28**. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Nicholas Catholic Church  
925 Main St.  
Zanesville, OH

## Burial

DEC 28. 11:45 AM (ET)

Mt. Olive Cemetery  
2057 East Pike  
ZANESVILLE, OH 43701

# Tribute Wall



“ James "Jim" R. Shawger

October 06, 2023 at 04:22 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James "Jim" R. Shawger.



December 27, 2022 at 01:56 PM



“ Cherie Drumheller lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" R. Shawger



**Cherie Drumheller** - December 27, 2022 at 01:23 PM



“ I so very enjoyed the days at WestSide working alongside Jim. He was a gem to work with. He was always smiling and telling his jokes. I will miss him deeply. Marge you will be in my thoughts and prayers 🙏  
So sorry for the Shawger family

**Cherie Drumheller** - December 27, 2022 at 01:19 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of James "Jim" R. Shawger.*



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December 27, 2022 at 11:03 AM



“ *Jim will be miss. He always made us feel like family. His big smile and laughter was contagious. We had some wonderful times. Praying for you all. Sending you love*

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**Joy & Juan Torres** - December 27, 2022 at 10:29 AM



“ *Marge and family Sending my deepest sympathy in the loss of your husband and father. Thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*

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**Sue Dooley** - December 26, 2022 at 06:44 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you. The Gay Family*

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**Pat Gay** - December 26, 2022 at 06:20 PM



“ *COZ Water Plant & Maintenance purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James "Jim" R. Shawger.*



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**COZ Water Plant & Maintenance** - December 26, 2022 at 10:21 AM

VH

“ Vicky Hina lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" R. Shawger



Vicky Hina - December 25, 2022 at 10:47 AM

SR

“ I went to high school with Jim and will always remember him as being so friendly and having a quick smile. My deepest sympathies to the family.

susan Rosta - December 25, 2022 at 07:00 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of James "Jim" R. Shawger.



December 25, 2022 at 12:55 AM

RS

“ May happy memories bring you comfort. He had a great smile.

Rochelle Paul Smith - December 23, 2022 at 11:12 PM

TW

“ So sorry to hear this, I worked with Jim at my very first job Gibson Packing. My mom Was Sherry Brownfield. I remember he always had a big smile on his face ❤️ Prayers to the family

trisha wallace - December 23, 2022 at 09:07 PM

CH

“ Marge,  
I'm so very sorry to hear about Jim. My  
thoughts and prayers are with you and your  
family  
Hugs to you



Cassandra Henning - December 23, 2022 at 07:41 PM



“ Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased  
for the family of James "Jim" R. Shawger.



December 23, 2022 at 05:55 PM

ML

“ Sending Love and Prayers to Marge, Mindy, Brad and Scott and the  
rest of the family. It was an Honor to have known Jim. Thinking of all  
of you.

Melissa (Tague) Lovejoy - December 23, 2022 at 05:50 PM

JS

“ Marge and family. I am so saddened by the passing of Jim. Marleigh  
had just told me he was hospitalized. I am grateful for his love of his  
grandchildren and know they will have good memories of their time  
together. You are all in my prayers. Love, Jane Short

jane Short - December 23, 2022 at 05:35 PM

TO

“ Marge, we are so sorry to hear about Jim. We will keep all of you in our prayers. Russ and Tonnya Lloyd

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**Tonnya** - December 23, 2022 at 03:04 PM

CK

“ Marge and family, we are so sorry for your loss. Jim was a thrill to work with. He truly will be missed. Connie and Harry Kaloydis

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**Connie Kaloydis** - December 23, 2022 at 01:44 PM

HK

“ Shawgers, so sorry for your loss. The Kozak family will keep your family in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Herb Kozak** - December 23, 2022 at 01:10 PM

PC

“ Margie and Family, condolences to all of you. Celebrate Jim's life and hold your memories tight. Hug one another and feel his love through each other.  
Tom and Peg Cooper

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**Peg Cooper** - December 23, 2022 at 12:58 PM

DS

“ Marge & family, so so sorry to hear of Jim's passing. what a great friend from high school days and on, so glad I got to see him this year to catch up. Always enjoyed the Shawger outing at Green Valley & seeing him & his brothers surrounding the beer barrel, good times! It is with great sadness that I can't attend the service but my thoughts and prayers go out to your entire family, rest in piece Jimmy, will miss you.

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**david schmid** - December 23, 2022 at 12:58 PM