

James H. Kocher

November 25, 1942 - January 7, 2024

James Howard Kocher, 81, of Princeton Street, Duncannon, passed away peacefully on Sunday, January 7, 2024, at Penn State Health's Holy Spirit Medical Center, Camp Hill. Jim was a loving and dedicated husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. He was born in Harrisburg on November 25, 1942, and was the son of the late Harry and Doris (Lusk) Kocher.

Jim was a great family man. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Sue. They were best friends and the love of each other's lives. From their first day to the last day, they were devoted to each other. He is mourned deeply by his children: Denise Fisher and her husband Brad, Jami Magee and her husband Ross, and Chad Kocher and his wife Jennifer. He was blessed with grandchildren Olivia (Chris), Lyndsey, George, Mary, Jack, and Mason, as well as great-grandchildren Harper and Corey.

Jim was a 1960 graduate of Susquenita High School. He was a proud veteran of the United States Air Force, whose love of country was apparent throughout his life. He retired from Tyco Electronics and was active within his community. He coached and mentored many young athletes in both youth baseball and midget football. He served on many boards and committees, including the Susquenita School Board and the Penn Township Municipal Authority. He was a member of the Duncannon American Legion Post and Perry Lodge #458 F&AM. He had a beautiful singing voice, which he shared

from his pew on Sundays at Christ Reformed Church in Duncannon.

Jim's examples of honesty, integrity, love of God, family, and life have touched many lives...his legacy will live on.

A celebration of Jim's life will be held at 3:30 PM on Thursday, January 11, 2024, in the Boyer Family Funeral Home, Duncannon. Pastor Randy Saultz will officiate. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 1:30 PM until the time of service. A private burial, with full military honors, will be held in Indiantown Gap National Cemetery, Annville, PA. on Friday, January 12, 2024.

Memorial contributions to honor Jim's memory, may be made to Christ Reformed Church, 212 N. High Street, Duncannon, Pa. 17020 in Duncannon.

Cemetery Details

Indiantown Gap National Cemetery

60 Indiantown Gap Rd
Annaville, PA 17003
(717) 865-5254

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 11. 3:30 AM (ET)

Boyer Family Funeral Home
230 N. High Street
Duncannon, PA 17020

Visitation

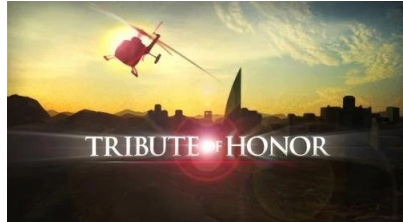
JAN 11. 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM (ET)

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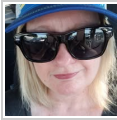
Tribute Wall



“ Boyer Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James H. Kocher



Boyer Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc - January 09, 2024 at 01:37 PM



What an absolutely beautiful tribute to a wonderful man who cared so much for his family and others! May God grant you peace and carry you through this season of life...we love you...Mike and Zona Fisher and Eric and Jacquie Snyder

Jacquelyn Snyder - January 09, 2024 at 05:39 PM

LG

“ Sorry for your loss.

Leon William Goshorn - January 11, 2024 at 10:31 AM

SB

“ Steven B. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James H. Kocher.

Steven B. - January 10, 2024 at 05:40 PM

MD

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Sending hugs and prayers from our family to yours.
We will make sure to pay our respects when we visit our Dad in Section 41 at the Indiantown Gap National Cemetery.
Love the Dicus Family

Mary Ann Dicus - January 10, 2024 at 12:52 PM



“ America the Beautiful was purchased for the family of James H. Kocher.



January 10, 2024 at 10:23 AM

ML

“ I'll always cherish all those boyhood Marysville memories. RIP Jim.
Our thoughts are with your family.

Mike & Deb Lusk - January 10, 2024 at 10:02 AM

RL

“ Jim and Sue helped Susie and myself pack are car during my visit to Duke Hospital in North Carolina. You are in our prayers. Red Little

Red Little - January 10, 2024 at 08:23 AM

BR

I always enjoyed Jim's input at our Bible studies. He always had a smile on his face and loved talking about his family. A few weeks ago he told me that he had never been to the Indiantown Gap Cemetery but would be there someday. I really wished that he had just driven down to see the area all decorated by Wreaths Across America. But, Jim I will visit you next year for wreath placement day and remember you fondly. You were one of the good guys.

Brenda - January 11, 2024 at 09:00 AM

MS

“ Mike/Zona Fisher Eric/Jacquie Snyder planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James H. Kocher.

Mike/Zona Fisher Eric/Jacquie Snyder - January 09, 2024 at 05:50 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of James H. Kocher.



January 09, 2024 at 05:50 PM

VY

“ *Sue I'm thinking of you and your family and keeping you all in my prayers during this sad and difficult time in all of your lives . May God lift you up and comfort you in your time of need . Keep the good memories of Jim in your heart. He was a terrific guy!*
Vicki Yingling



Vicki Yingling - January 09, 2024 at 04:59 PM

SW

My dearest Sue, my heart goes out to you and your family! My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family! May the grace of God give you comfort and peace! Love Suzy!

Suzy Worner - January 09, 2024 at 05:23 PM

BH

Sue, I'm so very sorry for your loss. I know this is a very difficult time. During the beginning of the Vietnam war both Jim and I were working our way up on the draftee list. We decided to enlist and we were promptly sent to San Antonio for boot camp and then to training. We went different ways. We kept in touch over the course of several years and finally ended up at a SAC base in NC where we were discharged together. Jim was a great, caring, and reliable guy. He will be missed by many. God Bless his family and many friends that he left behind.

Bill Holland - January 10, 2024 at 09:13 PM

SL

“ Summer picnics in Grandma Lusk’s backyard with Jim gladly catching his younger cousin’s fastball are etched in my memory bank. Rest in peace Jim. Prayers for Sue and the loving family. - Steve Lusk

Steve Lusk - January 09, 2024 at 04:48 PM

JH

“ Judith Hart lit a candle in memory of James H. Kocher



Judith Hart - January 09, 2024 at 04:30 PM



“ 48 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Boyer Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc - January 09, 2024 at 01:40 PM



“ *The Preschool Girls planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James H. Kocher.*

The Preschool Girls - January 09, 2024 at 11:57 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of James H. Kocher.*



January 09, 2024 at 11:57 AM

JS

“ I met Jim many, many years ago at AMP Inc. I worked with him on several projects and loved working with Jim. He always made me laugh. My condolences to the family as he will be surely missed.

Joyce Smith-Fitz
TE

Joyce Smith-Fitz - January 09, 2024 at 10:09 AM

JS

“ Joyce Smith-Fitz lit a candle in memory of James H. Kocher



Joyce Smith-Fitz - January 09, 2024 at 10:02 AM

SW

“ I will miss Jim very much especially at our monthly breakfast with other friends. He was a very caring person.

Shirley Wolford - January 09, 2024 at 08:29 AM