



James Maxey

April 6, 1965 - September 3, 2019

James M. Maxey, 54, of Centralia, passed away Tuesday, September 3, 2019 at his home.

He was born April 6, 1965 in Tuscola, son of James L. Maxey and Carolyn J. (Hoard) Maxey.

He married Lisa Brink on June 8, 1996 and she survives in Centralia.

In addition to his wife of 23 years, Lisa Maxey of Centralia, he is also survived by two children: Sean Maxey and fiancé Caroline Shanholtz of Scottsdale, Arizona and Kaitlin Maxey of Edwardsville; a brother: John Maxey and wife Betty of Mt. Vernon; two sisters: Melinda Thompson of Salem and Janet Hays and husband John of Salem; mother-in-law: Diana Brink of Centralia; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister-in-law: Sheri Hixenbaugh.

James was the Manager at Rick's Ace Hardware Store in Centralia and he had been employed there for 23 years. He was very active with supporting the Children's Miracle Network and a Walk to End Alzheimer's. James was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church in Centralia. He also was an active member with the Central City Lions Club. He enjoyed playing golf and was an

avid Chicago Cubs Fan. James was a very kind and generous man and would help anyone. He cherished the time he spent with his family and friends.

A Celebration of Life Service for James Maxey will be held Friday, September 6, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home and Cremation Services in Centralia with Pastor Steve Upchurch officiating. Visitation will be held Friday evening from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the funeral home. A Graveside Service will be held at 2:00 PM on Saturday, September 7, 2019 at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Centralia. Memorial donations may be made to the Children's Miracle Network and/or for his daughter Kaitlin's college education and will be accepted at the Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home and Cremation Services at 235 North Sycamore Street Centralia, Illinois 62801, (618)532-3523, whom is honored to be of service to the Maxey Family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



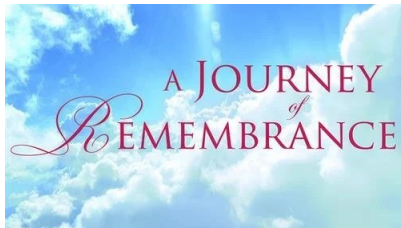
“ *Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of James Maxey*



Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services - September 06, 2019 at 07:53 PM



“ *Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of James Maxey*



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LS

*James was always so willing to help me with repairs on my rental house. Even though I never saw a lot the work he did because I live out of state, I knew it was done right. I trusted him.
He painted my house last year ...he told me when he was asked if he would take on other painting jobs he said " no, I'm doing this for a friend." I sure was blessed to have him for a friend.
His family and mine also shared a mutual friend, Doris Miller. We had meals together at Doris's house.
Doris loved James. She even had a special name she reserved just for him...I can't remember it for the life of me now though.
He was one of the best!!!
Prayers for his family.*

Lisa Sligar - September 06, 2019 at 06:08 PM

JA

“ The last i spoke with James was 3rd week of August. I am one of the vendors of their Stores and I usually talk to him at Centralia Ricks Ace Hardware location. I am an irrelevant person to him but I would just like to share how great person he is. I usually check on them once every three months. Now today I tried to contact him to check for the samples but was shocked hearing that he already passed away. He is one of my favorite clients because he is very approachable, very nice to talk with and never show bossy attitude to their vendors. He is very dedicated to his job. What I can remember the last time we talked, He is very busy at that moment since they lack of people at that time and he is manning all dept of their store but still he took some time to talk to me. I will surely miss his kindness. I am not sure what happened to him, I am just shock because he seems very happy and healthy, he even cracked a joke and we laugh the last time we talk. Condolence to his family.

Jay - October 14, 2019 at 01:32 PM

KB

“ Words cannot express the sadness that I felt when I heard of the sudden loss of James when I walked into ACE and learned of his passing. One cannot prepare themselves for such a sudden shock. James was always such a presence in the "ACE" store. You just always expected him to be around. It brings tears to my eyes to know that I won't see his smiling face, wit and humor when I walk into ACE.

Please know that he was such a joy to see him to "brighten" your day. There are people in life that make life so much more enjoyable and "James" was one of those people. He will sorely be missed. But please know that it's people like James that brightened my day and made life enjoyable. He made a difference in so many peoples lives and always brightened their day no matter what crisis they were having.

You and any your family are in my thought and prayers.

Kathy Bowen - September 08, 2019 at 06:42 AM

 Joe Shepler

“ Hello lisa and family i know this was sudden and unexpected. I saw james the day before at (his) work myself and others joking and such whilst going about our tasks. I couldnt make it to the visitation me and my wife sick thought it best to stay away. Nothing clever i could say would make things feel better right now. If there is anything i can do that may be of help just holler. I agree james will be missed. Joe shepler.

Joe Shepler - September 06, 2019 at 10:06 PM

CW

“ James was Always so helpful anytime I shopped at Ace. He also grilled some very delicious brats and burgers at his store, for the Children’s Miracle Network !! I will definitely miss his help when I stop in the store. Continued Prayers for the family.

Chris Williams - September 06, 2019 at 09:24 AM

DD

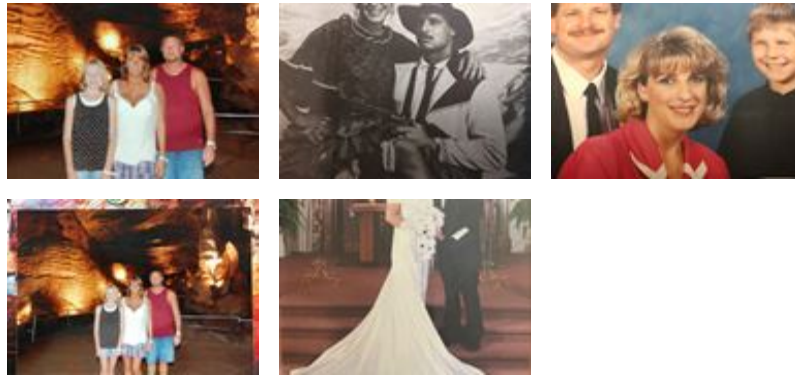
“ James also supported the BIG D Relay for Life team- every year! He cared about so many people and things! I am so very sorry but those words are not adequate- D. Ann Davenport



D. Ann Davenport - September 05, 2019 at 11:19 PM



“ 101 files added to the album LifeTributes



Sutherland Funeral Homes, Cemetery and Cremation Services - September 05, 2019 at 06:41 PM

VC

“ To Lisa Maxey and Family: James was a nice person whom had a good hearted nature. I knew Jim from the Central City Lions Club, and he worked hard too help the community.: Jim will be missed. My prays and thoughts are with you. Vicky Cooper {formally of Central City Lioness Club}

Vicky Cooper - September 05, 2019 at 06:19 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Maxey.



September 05, 2019 at 04:35 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of James Maxey.



September 05, 2019 at 04:24 PM

ML

“ My heart felt condolences go out to JAMES family. James was a great person we shared a lot of talks together. I will miss him terribly.
His friend Mark Lambert

Mark Lambert - September 05, 2019 at 04:11 PM

GY

“ Dear Lisa and Kaitlyn. So sorry to hear about James passing. You are in our prayers. We are coming down on Saturday.

Aunt Cindy and Uncle Dennis

George and Cynthia Yocum - September 05, 2019 at 02:39 PM

DQ

“ I am so sorry for your loss. James was always smiling and always giving to others.

Delores Queen - September 05, 2019 at 12:33 PM

DW

“ Donnie Walker here. I am shocked and saddened by news of James' passing. There was never a time that this kind man did not help me with projects during my visits to Ace Hardware. He always had time for me and for all of his customers. What a great man and such a caring person! So many people will miss him!

Donnie Walker - September 05, 2019 at 08:56 AM

CR

“ Our family is devastated to learn of the loss of our dear friend James Maxey. Centralia has lost a pillar of the community and friends and family have lost a great friend, husband and father. We will always remember you for your kindness and playful spirit. rest in peace dear friend.

Carla Renz - September 05, 2019 at 12:42 AM

TH

“ I never knew his name but he always helped me whenever I came into Ace Hardware. Sorry to see this. Centralia lost a very nice person and I will miss not seeing his smile and the "May I Help You" that came with it. Rest in Peace James. My condolences go out to his entire family.

Thomas Harvey - September 04, 2019 at 09:36 PM

MD

“ Such a nice, friendly, and knowledgeable man. Thoughts and prayers.

Mary Ann Dulumback - September 04, 2019 at 07:54 PM

TP

“ I am so sorry to hear of this loss. I will always remember good old school bus rides. James was always kind. God bless all.
Tamara Lyons-Purcell

Tamara Purcell - September 04, 2019 at 07:43 PM