



## **James D. Boothe Sr.**

May 30, 1941 - February 22, 2011

James Boothe passed away on February 22, 2011 at the age of 69 at his residence in Shelby Township. He was born on May 30, 1941 to the late James and Alice (nee Rushbrook) Boothe in McAlpine, West Virginia. Beloved husband of Margaret. Loving father of Jim (Darci Reagan) and Todd (Ann Marie) Boothe. Dear grandfather of Bryce, Zoe, Sydney, Lindsey, Alyssa and Eric. Dear son of Alice and the late James Boothe. Dear brother of Joyce (Michael) Matczak and the late Ted Boothe.

# Previous Events

## Service

FEB **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Wasik Funeral Home, Shelby Township  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Marge and Family,  
Sorry for your loss! Keeping you in my thoughts and  
prayers.##imported-begin##Shirley Burgess##imported-end##*

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February 28, 2011 at 03:44 PM



“ *My sincere and deepest sympathies. I know you are now in good  
hands with God. The girls will miss their Grandpa.*

*Love,  
Deonna##imported-begin##Deonna Boothe##imported-end##*

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February 26, 2011 at 01:47 AM



“ *Todd, Ann Marie and Kids,  
Our thoughts and prayers are always with you and yours, especially  
during these times of need. May God be with you and your family  
now and in the future.*

*Love,  
The Dacey's##imported-begin##Kevin & Karen Dacey##imported-  
end##*

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February 26, 2011 at 12:57 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all*

*Love*

*JoAnn & Wilford Shumate###imported-begin###wilford w  
Shumate###imported-end###*

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February 25, 2011 at 09:27 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathy and heart felt condolences for your loss.  
May God welcome James home and ease the pain to all who has  
shared the life and memories of James. May the everlasting love of  
God our Father be with all of you.###imported-begin###Terry &  
Dianne###imported-end###*

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February 25, 2011 at 10:07 AM



“ *We never want to lose a loved one, but God gives us the strength to  
bear that loss by assuring us He has prepared the perfect place for  
us filled with His love and joy with no more pain. It is time to keep  
the memories close and know that Jim is now in a far better place  
and in no more pain. May God be with each of you.###imported-  
begin###Mary Miller###imported-end###*

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February 25, 2011 at 07:49 AM



“ Dear Boothe Family, we were so very sorry to hear of the passing of your loved one. I am a very distant cousin from England (now living in Wales) and a regular correspondent with Joyce for many years. She, too, has had a hard time of late and our thoughts are with her, you and yours. Our very best wishes and condolences from "across the pond".

*Nick and Raid Rushbrooke, Llanfairfechan, Wales, UK##imported-begin##Nick and Mairead (Raid) Rushbrooke##imported-end##*

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February 25, 2011 at 05:46 AM



“ You have been in our hearts for the last several weeks, but even more so the last few days since the loss of Jim. Words tend to fail at this time because his presence was larger than words can describe.

*We just want you to know how deeply we feel your pain. Our prayers are always with you. The Rushbrooks##imported-begin##Eddie, Bonny, and Carly Rushbrook##imported-end##*

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February 25, 2011 at 03:19 AM



“ A quick glimpse into who my Uncle Jim was, and always will be to me.... One of the most intelligent men in my life. How many people can recite, by memory, the entire Declaration of Independence? Uncle Jim could! I looked up to my uncle and respected him. And..., he wasn't just smart, he was good at everything. I don't know for sure, but I would bet my uncle never called a professional to do anything for him. Why? Because, whatever it was that needed to be done, he would do it as good or better than any pro. He was a perfectionist, and expected nothing less from any project he took on. Just last week, I saw for the first time, his basement that he finished. My mother said to me, "Didn't he do a great job?" Giving him a hard time, I replied, "Eh, it's ok." Of course, my mom retorts, "Don't listen to him, you did a wonderful job." Uncle Jim looks at my mom and says, "I cannot lie, it's just ok." I am so sad for my cousins, my aunt, and especially my grandmother. I am grateful my uncle did not experience the tremendous pain cancer inflicts on so many people. Lastly, I am most thankful to God for personally visiting my uncle in his last weeks here on Earth. I know this happened, because it was the only way he would ever recognize Jesus as who he is, which he did. I love you Uncle Jim and will miss you, but I am excited and thankful to know, I will see you again some day.##imported-begin##Greg White##imported-end##

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February 25, 2011 at 02:35 AM



“ Dearest Aunt Alice, Joyce, Margaret and boys.. You have our very deepest sympathy at this most difficult time. Remember that no one is ever really gone, as long as they are remembered, and you all have many wonderful memories to sustain you until you meet again. You are all in our thoughts and prayers, and in our hearts.##imported-begin##Shelly & Larry Willey##imported-end##

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February 24, 2011 at 07:21 PM



“ Todd and family, You have our deepest sympathy on your loss. There truly are no words that anyone can offer to ease the emotions you are feeling, but I hope it helps in knowing that he is in a better place. We will pray for you and your family to laugh and smile as you talk and remember your Dad.##imported-begin##Todd Mosey and Family##imported-end##

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February 24, 2011 at 06:56 PM



“ Dear Margaret and Family,  
My thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of sorrow. We will get together soon.  
Hugs,  
Sharon##imported-begin##sharon kugel##imported-end##

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February 24, 2011 at 06:02 PM



“ I miss you dad, but you'll always be a part of me. I wanted to recite the lyrics of a song that has given me great comfort in this tough time upon us right now. I altered the lyrics, just a bit, to personalize it for you. Hope you like it. I Love You!

*"Well they built the Titanic to be one of a kind, but many ships have ruled the seas*

*They built the Eifel Tower to stand alone, but they could build another if they please*

*The Taj Mahal, the pyramids of Egypt, are unique I suppose  
But when they built you, father, they broke the mold*

*Now the world is filled with many wonders under the passing sun  
And sometimes something comes along and you know for sure it's the only one*

*The Mona Lisa, the David, the Sistine Chapel, Jesus, Mary, and Joe  
And when they built you, father, they broke the mold*

*When they built you, father, they turned dust into gold  
When they built you, father, they broke the mold*

*They say you can't take it with you, but I think that they're wrong  
'Cause all I know is I woke up this morning and something big was gone*

*Gone into that dark ether where your still young and hard and cold  
Just like when they built you, father, they broke the mold*

*Now your death is upon us and we'll return your ashes to the earth  
And I know you'll take comfort in knowing you've been roundly blessed and cursed*

*But love is a power greater than death, just like the song's and stories told*

*And when she built you, father, she broke the mold*

*That attitude's a power stronger than death, alive and burning her*

*stone cold*

*When they built you, father"##imported-begin##James D. Boothe Jr.##imported-end##*

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February 24, 2011 at 11:25 AM



“ *We were a very close family. Jim and my other cousins were more like brothers and sister to me and my sister, Betty Lee. I have many fond memories of growing up with Jim. We never know what life is going to throw at us and how we will handle it..throughout Jim's illness he showed a strong inner strength. We are very proud of him. Uncle James and Aunt Alice were wonderful examples of parents and raised their children as children should be raised. The hole in our hearts that Jim left will be filled only with our wonderful memories of him. Life is so short, know Jesus and trust in Him. We will be praying for the family.##imported-begin##Birdie Jean Doss Robinson and Jim##imported-end##*

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February 24, 2011 at 11:11 AM



“ *My sincere sympathies to all of Jim's family. His passing will leave an empty place in many hearts. I feel almost like family, as I have known Joyce since we were 11 years old and have many memories of growing up with her and of hearing of Jim's many accomplishments through the years. He was blessed to have so many caring people in his life and they are blessed to have shared life with him.##imported-begin##Judy Wills Chaperon Young##imported-end##*

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February 24, 2011 at 09:18 AM



“ Dear Boothe Family,

*I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your husband, father, son, brother and grandfather. Sometimes our life is shorter than we would like, but what you need to treasure is the TIME you did have and the wonderful memories you have.*

*Margaret I knew Jim so many years ago, oddly enough we met on Von Steuben Elementary School playground. He was a big protector of his sister Joyce. Through the years it sounds like he was a great protector of his family.*

*He will be missed by all of you, but in time the hole that you feel in your heart today will heal, it takes TIME, TEARS, and TALKING about him. Try to remember the three T's in the next coming weeks.*

*God bless you all, Joyce's longtime friend, Elaine##imported-begin##Elaine (Haviland) Dermody##imported-end##*

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February 24, 2011 at 07:18 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the Boothe family. My family and I just met Jim when we moved in next door to him in this past summer.

*He was an amazing person, with such good spirit. I always saw him smiling. I will miss his sense of humor and the joy and kindness he shared with others. May Jim's memory last a lifetime.*

*Love, Monika, Miriam & Clyde##imported-begin##Monika Sata##imported-end##*

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February 23, 2011 at 10:00 PM



“ I love u grandpa. ❤️ Miss u. RIP.##imported-begin##Bryce and Zoe  
Boothe##imported-end##

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February 23, 2011 at 08:13 PM



“ Dear Brother, I loved you more than you know and I will miss you  
dearly.

*Death Leaves a Heartache*

*No one can Heal*

*Love leaves a Memory*

*No one can Steal*

*I Loved you and have many wonderful  
memories to get me through.*

*Your Sister,*

*Joyce##imported-begin##Joyce Matczak##imported-end##*

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February 23, 2011 at 06:53 PM