



## James A. Nicholas

October 2, 1932 - November 13, 2023

James A. Nicholas of Cadillac passed away Monday, November 13, 2023 at home. He was 91.

Jim was born October 2, 1932 in Colfax Township, Michigan to Lloyd and Rose (Young) Nicholas.

He served in the United States Army during the Korean War and was stationed in Germany, earning the rank of Private First Class. Jim also earned the Occupational Medal while in Germany and the National Defense Medal. He retired from the Michigan Department of Transportation. He was a member of the Boon Baptist Church.

He was an avid fisherman and hunter, hunting still at age 85. Jim enjoyed wood working and music, especially the harmonica. He played harmonica and sang for the Jack Pine Pickers for several years. He also played the harmonica for the Harmonica Hobos.

He is survived by his children: Dianna (Bob Greene) Haines of Traverse City, Jimmy Nicholas of Cadillac and Steve (Becky) Nicholas of McBain; grandchildren: Brandi (Josh) Reynolds, Ryan Elenbaas, Chad (Marty) Martin, Amy (Nate) Starkey, Brian Nicholas, Lacey (Jason) Dahl and Casey (Katie) Nicholas, Heidi (Jeff) Hare; great-grandchildren: Jordan, Josie, Kaylen, Sam, Aaron, Cohen, Cooper, Delaney, Delilah, Oliver, Jackson, Ava, Nicholas,

Bryson, Brianna, Ethan and Sophie.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Joan L. Nicholas on April 26, 1989; a daughter, Rebecca Jo Harding- Jones on June 21, 2018 and siblings: William Nicholas, Robert Nicholas, Jerry Nicholas and Pat Cobb.

A celebration of life will take place at a later date. His final resting place will be Maple Hill Cemetery in Cadillac. Memorial contributions may be made to Munson Hospice. An online guestbook is available at [www.petersonfh.com](http://www.petersonfh.com).

# Tribute Wall

JF

“ Will keep you in our prayers during these trying times with the loss of your father. Love you all. Barb and Jr.

jr and barb foust - November 15, 2023 at 08:01 PM



“ Jimmie and family So sorry for you loss sending prayers my you all find comfort in the memories you have.

Becky Alworden - November 15, 2023 at 03:48 PM

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“ Jennifer Baughan-Fuzi lit a candle in memory of James A. Nicholas



Jennifer Baughan-Fuzi - November 15, 2023 at 11:50 AM

EL

“ Dianna, your Dad led an amazing life.  
To have a Daughter like you to watch over him in his later years was a testament to what kind of Father he must have been.  
We grieve with you and your family.  
Love you.  
John and Elaine  
Oro Valley AZ

Elaine - November 15, 2023 at 09:54 AM