



James Joseph Matteucci

December 24, 1931 - March 25, 2018

Mr. James J. Matteucci passed away Sunday, March 25, 2018 at the Springs Assisted Living. He was born in Meaderville on Christmas Eve, 1931 to Frank and Lillian (Stefani) Matteucci. He attended Butte schools including the Franklin, Holy Savior, Butte Central and graduated from Butte High School. He and Geraldine "Geri" Demmons were married July 19, 1953 in St. Helena's Church in Meaderville.

Jim had a love for anything mechanical and at one time even raced stock cars. He operated an OK Tire store in Anaconda and was an equipment serviceman at Don's Office Equipment for many years. He also worked for Milo Casagrande, a good friend, driving wreckers.

Jim loved his Italian heritage and enjoyed making wine and grappa. He was a volunteer with the Meaderville and McQueen Fire Departments, was a member of the Cristoforo Colombo Lodge and an active volunteer for Our Lady of the Rockies. He and Geri loved gardening and loved to dance.

Jim was one of those people who couldn't sit still. Even when he was at the cabin in Divide or at hunting camp in the Ruby Valley, He was always looking for a job to do. He found out later in life the he enjoyed cooking and was really good at it! He enjoyed attending all his class reunions and was an essential part of the Butte Italian History exhibit at the Butte Archives.

Jim is preceded in death by his parents, his brothers Clarence "Pee Wee", Danny and Harold Matteucci and nephew, Luke Matteucci. Survivors include his wife Geri of Butte, daughters and sons-in-law, Karen and Fletcher

Mulvaney of Helena, Kathy and Frank Taras of Butte and Kris Matteucci of Butte. Also surviving are his foster-daughter, Lana and Gary Mullaney of Helena, grandchildren: Nick and Brianne Mulvaney, Andy Mulvaney and Whitney Treadway, Joe Taras, Matt Taras and Carly Portra, Melissa Taras and Bronson Pate, Rachel Richardson and Jeff Keller, Angie Richardson, Jody Troupe, Jamey Mullaney, Josh and Trista Mullaney, fourteen great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandchild and numerous nieces and nephews.

Special thanks go out to Jim and Geri's neighbors Leeanna Spath and Tom Stears who were so much help over the years and to the Highlands Hospice crew and the staff at the Springs for all the kind and gentle care given to Jim in his final days. Memorials may be made to the Highlands Hospice or Our Lady of the Rockies.

Previous Events

Service

MAR 30. 2:00 PM (MT)

Wayrynen-Richards Funeral Home

1800 Florence Ave

Butte, MT 59701

(406) 723-3221

<https://wayrynen-richards.com/>

Tribute Wall

BW

“ Karen, Brad and I are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Barb West - April 01, 2018 at 06:35 PM

DL

“ Dear Karen and Family,

We were very sorry to hear of your dad's passing. We are thinking of you during this difficult time.

With Much Sympathy,
Deb and Don Loewen

DEB LOEWEN - March 30, 2018 at 11:58 AM



“ Reflections of Glory Wreath was purchased for the family of James Joseph Matteucci.



March 28, 2018 at 08:27 PM

RD

“ I only had the pleasure of being around Jim a few times when I was young. He made a lasting impression on me, he was above all a wit and a good one! He was a genuinely nice man I'm sure he will be missed for a long time!

Reggie Daly - March 28, 2018 at 08:00 PM

AS

“ Dear Geri and Family

Jimmy was such a wonderful person, friend and relative of our family He always had a smile and made everyone around him feel very good. He was a favorite of my mother Skookie/Frances (Butori) - his cousin- and my dad Tony Sutey. I always enjoyed seeing him when I was was a youngster as he would stop by my dad's gas station for gas or when he would repair or exchange our cash register as he worked for National Cash Register.

It was a great honor to sing at your wedding at St Helena's Church when I was 15 years old and getting paid for it to boot! Wow, what a great day and celebration that was!

As I grew older, I always loved seeing you and him at various occasions - the last time at the funeral of my Aunt Mary (Sutey)/Mattuecci who was married to his older brother, Danny. I will always remember him as such a great human being.

With my Deepest Sympathies

Anthony(Tony) Sutey

Anthony(Tony) Sutey - March 28, 2018 at 02:21 PM

LD

“ *My condolences to the Family. I met Jim when he was working for Don McLaughlin. Jim was an excellent IBM Selectric typewriter repairman. I sent IBM's to him in butte until he called me and said, "He just couldn't do it any more". Jim was a good friend, "God Bless".*

Loren Davis

Loren W. Davis - March 28, 2018 at 09:46 AM

JB

Dear Gerry& Family. May your happy memories comfort you in the loss of Jim. I went, to grade school with Jim and he was a fun loving guy. You are in our thoughts & prayers. Jim & Jeanie Blow

Jeanie Blow - March 28, 2018 at 11:01 AM

DA

I will miss you, my Great Uncle Jimmy! I was glad to have know him and wish him peace and happiness forever! Thoughts and prayers for his family!

*Love,
Dana Matteucci (Yanoch)*

Dana - August 02, 2018 at 08:06 PM