



## James Patrick Loy

October 6, 1931 - October 17, 2019

Murphysboro- James Patrick Loy, 88, of Murphysboro, went to be with Our Lord at 1:53 AM, Thursday, October 17, 2019 while surrounded by family at Manor court of Carbondale.

James Patrick was born on October 6, 1931 in Murphysboro to Charles and Helen (Parris) Loy. He married Patricia Ann "Trish" Prost on September 23, 1952 in Murphysboro. She preceded him in death in March 10, 2012.

He was a proud veteran of the Army National Guard where he served bravely as a sergeant during the Korean Conflict. Once honorably discharged, he began a long career with the plumbers and pipe-fitters. James taught plumbing classes through the UA Local 160 in Murphysboro for decades and was a member of the Union since 1951. He owned his own business- E. A Kraft Plumbing and Heating in Murphysboro for more than 40 years.

He was catholic and a member of St. Andrew Catholic Church in Murphysboro. In addition to the Pipe-fitters union, he was also a former member of the American Legion and the Murphysboro Rotary Club.

He was an outgoing man who never met a stranger. He was honest to a fault and loved people. He enjoyed spending time outdoors boating and fishing on Kinkaid Lake. He dearly loved life, drinking a cold beer and the St. Louis

Cardinals.

Survivors include his daughters- Jane Jenkins and husband Terry of Antioch, Elizabeth Clover and husband Brad of Murphysboro and Julie Loy and Dee Cross of Carbondale, four grandchildren, seven great grandchildren; two sisters Barb Grosvenor of Murphysboro, and Nancy and her husband Don Siefert of Murphysboro, and many nieces, nephews, cousins and close friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, infant son- Michael and his brother- Charles "Jack" Loy.

A funeral service will be held at 10:00 AM, Monday, October 21, 2019 at Pettett Funeral Home in Murphysboro. Fr. Gary Gummersheimer will officiate. Burial will follow at St. Andrew Cemetery in Murphysboro. Military rites will be performed at graveside by the Murphysboro VFW and American Legion Posts with assistance from the Illinois National Guard. Visitation will be from 5:00 PM until 9:00 PM, Sunday, October 20, 2019 at Pettett Funeral Home in Murphysboro.

Masses at St. Andrew Catholic Church and or donations for the Activities Room at Manor Court in Carbondale are suggested in lieu of flowers. Memorial donations will be accepted at Pettett Funeral Home/ 1418 South Street/ Murphysboro, IL 62966. For more information please visit [www.pettettfuneralhome.com](http://www.pettettfuneralhome.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *James Patrick Loy*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *Julie, Beth, Jane, family;  
Our hearts and prayers are with you all. May God hold you in his  
arms and rest his hand lightly upon your hearts. Craig, Anita Harris*

**Craig, Anita Harris** - October 24, 2019 at 12:22 PM



“ *To Beth and the family. We will greatly miss "Pat's" smiling face at  
our Tuesday night services. He's been a part since Jackson County  
days and we will miss him. Linda Lowry*

**Linda Lowry** - October 23, 2019 at 04:17 PM



“ *We send our condolences to Jim Pat's family and his friends. He  
was a good neighbor in our community. He loved his family and he  
will be missed.*

**Patty and Edward Arbeiter** - October 18, 2019 at 01:43 PM



“ *Jim pat was very special person to me! I enjoyed my days at manor  
court working with him in the activity room! Always had a smile on  
his face and would definitely make u laugh and smile! Gonna miss u  
buddy! Love Heidi Freeman*

**Heidi freeman** - October 18, 2019 at 11:57 AM

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“ Jim Pat I'm so glad I was able to come see you Monday. You were a wonderful man and I'm blessed to have known you. I will always remember the times we joked and the good times we had. You will truly be missed. You will always have a place in my heart. You were my favorite. Love always Denise Davis

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**Denise Davis** - October 17, 2019 at 11:40 PM

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“ Jim Pat was definitely a all around kinda guy! Wonderful person and will truly be missed. My condolences to the family of a amazing man! My pleasure to have taken care of you so many years my friend ❤️ Love always, Kaylee Shelton

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**Kaylee Shelton** - October 17, 2019 at 07:57 PM