



# James J. Rogers

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**D**ecatur-James Joseph Rogers, 88, of Decatur, passed away Wednesday June 5, 2013 in St. Mary's Hospital surrounded by his loving family following a short illness.

He was born to Pearl and Delmar Rogers on May 4, 1925. He married Prudence Fiorucci on April 16, 1948. He was in the heating and cooling industry his entire life and was a successful salesman. James was a compassionate and loving man who touched many lives and will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

He is survived by his wife Prudence and their three children. His oldest child Paul and his daughter-in-law Jane (Macko); daughter Patty McNulty and son Phillip. Also surviving are three grandchildren; Matthew and wife Elizabeth, Andrew and wife Ulara and Jessica and husband Chris Kant; great grandchildren, Kate and Ruby Rogers and Lilly and Scarlett Kant; two loving brothers, Delmar and wife Evon Rogers and Howard and wife Maxine Rogers; two loving sisters, Barbara Van Pelt and Ruby Barnard; two special sisters in law, Mary Long and Ann Robb, and many other nieces, nephews, family members and friends.

In addition to his parents, James was preceded in death by brother, Raymond; sisters Betty and Patricia; and six brothers in law.

Services to celebrate James's life will be 11am Saturday, June 8, 2013 in Central Christian Church 650 W. William Street. Visitation will be 1 hour before at the church. Burial will follow in Graceland Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be directed to Macon Resources 2121 Hubbard Ave. Decatur, IL 62526.

The family of James J. Rogers is being served by the Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home, 2091 N. Oakland Ave. Decatur, IL. Please view the online obituary, send condolences, and share memories at [www.gracelandfairlawn.com](http://www.gracelandfairlawn.com).



## Tribute Wall

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SF

**Sally Fritcher** posted:

I will miss you Uncle Jim.Love,"Sally Wooden Leg"

June 8 at 1:55 PM

RB

**Ruby (Rogers) Barnard** posted:

JIM WAS A GREAT BIG BROTHER. HE HAD A LITTLE TROUBLE LOSING;CARD GAMES, ETC., HE EXPECTED OTHERS TO BE AS GOOD AT THEM AS HE WAS. HE WAS A GOOD BASEBALL PITCHER. BECAUSE I WAS A SOFTBALLCATCHER HE MADE ME CATCH SOME REALLY HARD BASEBALL PITCHES.AS HE PRACTICED. I love my big brother. Ruby

June 7 at 5:53 PM

BM

**Bev Mercer** posted:

Uncle Jim was a wonderful man. He was an inspiration to me, because I saw him as not only a strong husband and father, but a loving, caring son to my grandma and a loving, caring brother to my mom. He was also loved like a brother by my dad. I dearly loved and respected him and am glad to have called him my uncle. I know he will be greatly missed by his family but I can envision the reunion that took place in heaven with grandma Rogers, my mom and dad and Uncle Raymond. Love you Uncle Jim!

June 7 at 2:37 PM

DR

**Delmar Rogers** posted:

My brother Jim is almost 13 years older than me and therefore we were not close growing up. He did become my surrogate Father after our Dad died. Sometimeshe drove me crazy with "be careful, or dont run out in the street without looking!!",but I know I learned from his advice. He and Prue also took me to my first St. LouisCardinal baseball game when I was 10 or 11 and I still remember the line-up for theCardinals! I thanked him more than once over the years because I never forgot that moment. He also gave me my nickname which has stuck with me all these years!He also gave me good advice at an important time in my life that I will not forget. Hewas always interested in what I was doing, whether work or just pleasure. I also knewI was grown up in his eyes when he called me once several years ago and asked formy advice on an investment he was thinking about. I will certainly miss him, but I will always be thankful that he is my brother. God Blessyou, Brother Jim. Del "Buck" Rogers

June 7 at 8:14 AM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring James by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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