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Decatur – James I. Ellis, 83, of Decatur, passed away Sunday, August 18, 2024, at HSHS St. John’s Hospital, Springfield, IL.

Jim was born on November 17, 1940, in Decatur, the son of Irvin L. and C. Fayette (Dickinson) Ellis. Over the years he worked at Sunbeam Bakery, Firestone, Zexel, and as a custodian at Mt. Zion School District. He was an active member who served many positions at Antioch Christian Church. Jim loved racing, was a former owner of a Midget race care and was a member of Power I Midget Racing Club. He married S. Edwina “Winnie” Morris on March 12, 1961, in Long Creek, IL.

Surviving is his wife, S. Edwina “Winnie” Ellis of Decatur; his children: Craig Ellis of IN, Todd (Christina) Ellis of Decatur, and Jami Suthard of AL; 10 grandchildren and 12 great grandchildren; many nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, daughter Jennifer Sue, and sisters: Roberta York and Marjorie Brown; and his loyal companion Sir Raleigh.

Visitation will be Friday, August 23, 2024, from 10am until the service time of 12pm, at Antioch Christian Church. Burial will take place at a later date in Point Pleasant Cemetery, Long Creek. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Antioch Christian Church.

Graceland/Fairlawn Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Condolences and memories can be shared with the family at www.gracelandfairlawn.com.



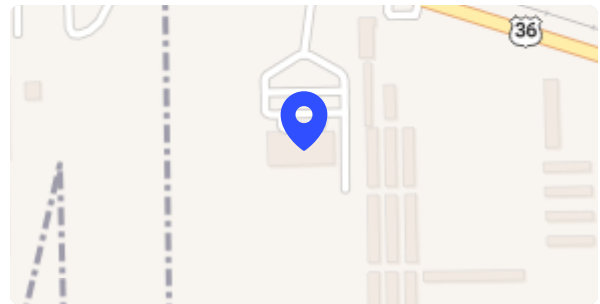
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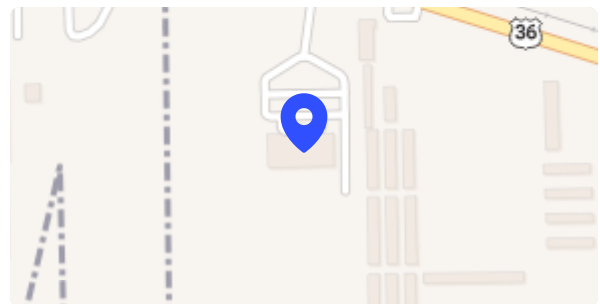
Visitation

- Friday, August 23, 2024**
- 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM CT
- Antioch Christian Church**
5409 E US Rte 36, Decatur IL 62521



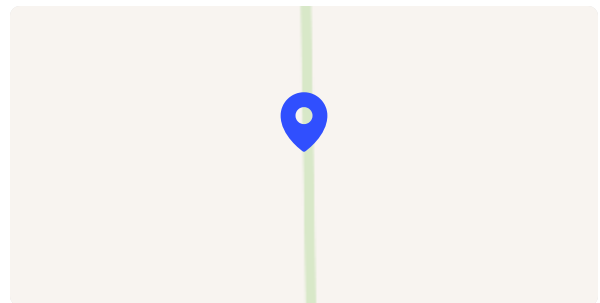
Memorial Service

- Friday, August 23, 2024**
- 12:00 PM CT
- Antioch Christian Church**
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Cemetery Details

- Point Pleasant Cemetery**
Long Creek Township IL





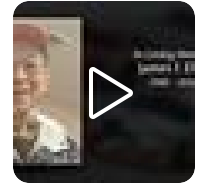
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Graceland Fairlawn shared a **Video**.



August 21 at 12:32 PM



Alice (Hickenbottom) Fisher December 27 at 9:28 AM

A wonderful and great man who I grew up with along with my brother, Harold and sister ,Betty.We will miss him and he always seem like a big brother to me.Our prayers go out to you Edwina and all your family!



Jami Suthard lit a candle in honor of James.

Daddy, I cannot believe you have been in Heaven over 4 months now!!!! I MISS YOU SO MUCH!!!!!! I Know you are PAIN FREE, and doing Heavenly things, and you are very happy!!!! BUT I miss you, I LOVE you! Jami Dyan!!!!



December 22 at 3:34 PM



Jami Suthard lit a candle in honor of James.

Jami Suthard lit a candle in memory of James Ellis



December 22 at 3:21 PM



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December 22 at 3:20 PM



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October 28 at 2:36 PM



Tribute Wall

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Anonymous sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Ellis family.

August 22 at 3:44 AM



Jami Ellis Suthard lit a candle in honor of James.

May this candle be a reminder of ALL the times that our Dad, or Papas, light shined on us during Earth years! May we never forget the strong man, loving man, Christian man he was, and still is! May we all rest in the assurance of God's promises for everlasting life! And in our sorrow, may we find comfort in knowing that our Dad, Papa, is finally PAIN FREE, AND WITH OUR LORD AND SAVIOR! This is not good bye, it's "see you later, Dad"!!

August 21 at 10:05 PM



Anonymous sent a Sweet Tranquility Basket to the Ellis family.

August 21 at 3:00 AM



Assumption Gsi Plant planted a Memorial Tree in honor of James.

August 21 at 3:00 AM





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Memories only last if you share them

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



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