



## Mr. James Joseph Burnham

March 9, 1956 - January 4, 2018

James Joseph Burnham, 61, passed away on January 4, 2018 at University Hospital, Syracuse, N.Y. He was born, March 9, 1956 the son of Donald and Laura Burnham who preceded him in death.

Jim was a graduate of Dryden Central School where he was a member of the football team.

Throughout his adult life Jim was an avid chess and scrabble player and enjoyed spending time with his family. His family wishes to thank the staff at Hutchings Psychiatric Center and Upstate Medical Center for the care given to Jim .

Survivors include, brothers; Richard, Robert (Rose) and Michael, sisters; Mercelle (Keith) Jackson, Kathleen (Lane) Clute and Mary (Christopher) Harrold, nieces; Christine, Colleen, Maria, Melanie and Anna., nephews; Brian, Nial and Ben. Jim is also survived by several cousins.

A Memorial service commemorating Jim's life will be held in the spring and will be announced at a later date. Donations in Jim's memory may be made to the National Alliance on Mental Illness P.O. Box 62596 Baltimore, Maryland 21264-2596 Arrangements are under the direction of Riccardi Funeral Home, Cortland, N.Y.

Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting [www.riccardifuneralhome.com](http://www.riccardifuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ We are so sad to hear of Jim's passing. John Newton sent us the obituary. We seem to be just far enough away that we are out of the family circle. We will keep you all in our prayers. QWvmQ

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**Jack and Kathy Burnham** - May 18, 2018 at 10:46 AM

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“ I am so very saddened to learn of Jim's passing. Joe Comerford, a mutual friend and classmate of ours, informed me of this. I lost contact with Jim after leaving Cortland, but I have thought about him many times over the years. I remember him as a serious and conscientious student who cared genuinely for others, and I appreciated his friendship. May the Angels lead you into paradise; may the martyrs greet you at your arrival and lead you into the holy city, Jerusalem. David Caruana

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**Sean David Caruana** - May 18, 2018 at 10:46 AM