



Mr. James F. Menapace

January 7, 1959 - May 26, 2012

James (Jim) passed away suddenly at his home in South Windsor, Connecticut where he lived for many years. Jim was born on January 7, 1959 in Cortland, NY. He was 53 years old. He graduated from St. Mary's school and Cortland High School, and then went on and graduated from Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) and received his Bachelor of Science, majoring in Photography.

He was employed by Konica Minolta for over 25 years. He was Manager of Servicing for many years and then went on to teach and develop course materials on their advanced products.

He attended St. Francis of Assisi church in South Windsor and was active in the Men's club, the Boy Scouts and the Lions club. He loved working with the boy scouts and was so proud that both his sons became Eagle Scouts. It was one of his dreams.

James loved his family. He loved boating and fishing and was always trying to catch the "big one" at Skaneateles Lake. He was always there for any family gathering. He loved to see his nieces and nephews and loved to play with them. He was a kid at heart.

He is survived by his two sons, Nicholas and Christopher Menapace (South Windsor, CT) , his parents Richard and Elaine (Cortland, NY) , brother Michael and his wife Beverly (Holliston, MA), his brother Thomas (Natick, MA), his sister Rebecca Blake and her husband Larry (Framingham, MA), nephews David Menapace and Tyler Blake; nieces Melissa Menapace and

Samantha Blake.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday at 11 a.m. in St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church with Rev. Lucian Urbaniak presiding. Prayers of committal will follow in St. Mary's Cemetery, Cortland, N.Y. the family will be present to receive friends on Wednesday from 4-7 p.m. in the Chapel of Riccardi Funeral Home 69 N. Main St., Cortland, N.Y. 13045. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Mary's School or the American Heart Association.

Tribute Wall

BE

“ I was shocked and so sorry to hear about Jim. I had worked with him at Konica Minolta for over 20 years and had traveled to Japan with him on several occasions as well. I look back on those trips with fond memories as we had the opportunity to travel around the country sight seeing and learning more about the culture and its history.

Rest in Peace Jim.

Bill Ehmke - May 18, 2018 at 11:26 AM

DJ

“ I was shocked and deeply saddened to hear of Jim's passing. I have been his tenant in South Windsor, CT for three years. Jim was a kind person who always made sure my son & I were ok. He was more than just a landlord, he was a friend to us both. He will truly be missed. May you rest in peace Jim

Donna Johnson - May 18, 2018 at 11:26 AM

DG

“ Words cannot express the sadness I felt when I heard of Jim's passing. I will be forever grateful for the gift of knowing him and I will always cherish my memories of him. He was the most amazing person. I will always miss his warm smile and his generous spirit, and he will never be forgotten.

Donna Menapace Gillett - May 18, 2018 at 11:26 AM

GG

“ I was very sad to read about Jim's passing away in the Winter 2012-2013 issue of RIT's University Magazine.

We were good friends during our studies at RIT, and as an international student from Israel I highly appreciated his friendship. Unfortunately we lost contact after graduation, and now Jim is gone forever.

My condolences to his family and may his soul rest in peace.

Gabriel (Gabe) Golan

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