



## James McKnight

September 1, 1933 - November 20, 2023

James C. McKnight, Jr., age 90, of Bad Axe passed away on Monday, November 20, 2023.

James was born on September 1, 1933, in Bad Axe, son of the late James C. and Irene (Near) McKnight, Sr. He married Beverly Gintner on July 5, 1958, in the Bad Axe Assembly of God Church. She preceded him in death on December 11, 2011.

James, known as Jim to family and friends, was an avid hunter for all wildlife, including bear, deer, turkey, coyote, and even the once in a lifetime find of a wolverine. Jim was always on the lookout for wildlife creatures and could tell you the name of any kind of bird or animal. In the last few years of his life, Jim had a love for bird watching, catching sight of a family of turkeys, or observing the deer on his land. Known for being a true gentleman, Jim was loved and will be missed by many friends, family, and neighbors.

He is survived by one daughter, Tena Brier of Pigeon and one son, Kelly McKnight of Elkton.

Two brothers, David (Rose) McKnight of Gladstone and Chuck (Lana) McKnight of Bad Axe.

Four grandchildren, Crystal (Jason) Palmer of Monroe, James (Raquel) McKnight of Birch Run, Amanda Hallock of Bay City, and Shiya McKnight of

Saginaw and four great-grandchildren, Lilly Palmer of Monroe, Makenna McKnight of Bay City, Avery Monroe of Saginaw, and Benedict Hallock of Bay City.

James was preceded in death by two sons, Rex and Shawn McKnight.

A Memorial service will be held on Friday, November 24, 2023, at 1:00pm at the Evangel Life Assembly of God Church in Bad Axe. The family will receive guests for visitation on Friday from 11:00 am until the service time at 1:00 pm, followed by a luncheon.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **24**. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Evangel Life Assembly of God Church  
Bad Axe, MI

## Memorial Service

NOV **24**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Jim was a great lifelong friend of my dad, Ed Little. He was a big brother when they were teens, keeping Dad out of trouble, or rescuing him when he found it 🙏 Always a gentleman, very kind to everyone he encountered. I always found it easy to respect him and his quiet grace. Our love and prayers are with the family.

Michele Gunn - December 28, 2023 at 08:23 PM

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“ I'm sorry for the loss of your dad. He's finally back with his lovely wife. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. Lisa Wiley Ecker

Lisa Wiley Ecker - November 22, 2023 at 09:07 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James McKnight.

November 21, 2023 at 10:35 AM