



# James "Jim" Kent Boyles

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**O**n September 11th, 1945, James Kent Boyles was born to Robert Isaac and Genevieve (Joyce) Boyles in a tiny bedroom of his grandmother Gladys King's home in Cisne, Illinois.

He graduated from Cisne Community High School in 1964, where he played basketball and ran track. After graduating, he attended and completed refrigeration school in St. Louis, MO. However, before putting his newly learned skills to use, Uncle Sam called. James chose the Navy and earned 3 commendations.

He married his wife of 51 years, Rita (Shelby) Boyles on December 14, 1968, and promptly went to Tulsa, OK to attend Tulsa Welding School. It was in Tulsa, they confirmed what they had already suspected, Rita was expecting their first child, Gregory Kent Boyles.

James soon had a job with MAPCO as a welder's helper on a pipeline in Iowa City, Iowa. After nearly 2 years of working in the brutal cold, he received his first promotion as Purchasing Agent, which required he and his little family to go on the road following a new pipeline that MAPCO was building through South Texas and New Mexico. It was a challenge living in an 8x35 travel trailer for two and a half years, especially while living in 29 different towns in that short period of time.

When Rita learned she was expecting baby #2, Jennifer Jo (Boyles) Judd, they decided to step down from pipelining and settle down in Sanborn, Iowa for a year.

James then got another promotion that took them to Little River, Kansas, where they lived on a small farm at the edge of town. They had chickens, dogs, kittens, and a pony named April. This job promotion as project manager took him away from his family for long periods at a time, but he was on a fast plane home every opportunity he got!

Another promotion came six and a half years later, and he was transferred to MAPCO's corporate headquarters in Tulsa, OK. They had come full circle. This time



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he had an office in downtown, a long way from standing in cold mud welding on a pipeline!

James' son, Greg, married his first wife, and gave them 2 beautiful grandchildren, James Kent Boyles II and Elizabeth Margaret Boyles. Greg then married his second wife, Elizabeth Bugarin Boyles in 2011.

Then daughter, Jennie and her husband, Jason Judd gave them 2 more precious grandsons, Jonah Isaac Judd and Noah Christopher Judd. James' grandchildren were the joy of his life!

James, (Jim to those who worked with him,) helped start up 4 successful companies. The fourth, Mid America Pipeline Construction Co., INC is where he stayed until his passing on April 14th, 2020.

God and his family were first and above everything else in his life. He was faithful in his tithes, and in blessing everyone that he felt God had put on his heart. Giving was a great joy for him! Every major decision that he had to make in life, and especially work, was heavily discussed with his Heavenly Father. He would tell you that his success in life, and work, was a direct result of those discussions.

James Kent (Jim) Boyles was a good-good man, who is now at rest with his Maker, enjoying his eternal rewards.



## Events


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### Memorial Service

 **Wednesday**, April 21, 2021

 3:00 PM CT

 **Floral Haven Memorial Gardens**  
6500 South 129th East Avenue, Broken Arrow OK  
74012





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**Floral Haven Funeral Home, Crematory Andcemetery** shared a **Video**.



April 21 at 4:46 AM



**Conatser Family - Ross, Bev, Ian & Anna** sent a Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant to the Boyles family.



April 21 at 7:37 AM



**Whitney Herriage** lit a candle in honor of James "Jim".

To the Boyles family, I offer my deepest condolences. I have such fond memories of Jim from my teenage years. Thinking of him brings a smile to my face - the warmth he always showed me, his strength and devotion as a husband and father, and of course his clever wit! I will forever remember him with a sparkle in his eye and that calm but slightly mischievous half-smile of his, which he perfected (and passed down to his son I might add!) My love and prayers to you all. May the care and love of those around you bring you comfort. May your memories bring you joy, and may your faith bring you peace.



April 21 at 6:27 AM



**Anonymous** sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Boyles family.



April 20 at 1:23 PM



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**Deanna Hamrick** posted:

Well my handsome second cousin, I'm so sorry this lockdown kept me from attending your service to pay my respects. I have fond memories of us as kids getting together with the Boyle's families. I know you were the one that did the upkeep on the family graves, which was greatly appreciated. Give your dad a big hug from me. Love Deanna Ishmael Hamrick(Jenks relative)

April 20 at 12:32 PM



**Jennie Judd** April 21 at 6:11 AM

\*dad



**Jennie Judd** April 21 at 6:10 AM

Deanna.. we will have another memorial service (military honors, etc) for everyone to attend when this virus lets up. I hope you will attend & we can swap stories.. I have so many & Im sure you have some good ones as well. Thank you for the kind words for my dad's he truly was the best. ❤️



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Boyles family.



April 20 at 10:53 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Boyles family.



April 20 at 9:40 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Full Of Love Bouquet to the Boyles family.



April 20 at 8:45 AM



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**Steve Poleman And The Rich & Cartmill Family** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Boyles family.

April 20 at 8:24 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Boyles family.

April 20 at 4:47 AM



**Patti Grau** lit a candle in honor of James "Jim".

April 19 at 1:12 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Love Everlasting Bouquet to the Boyles family.

April 19 at 12:44 PM



**Linda Niemeyer** lit a candle in honor of James "Jim".

April 19 at 9:58 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Sweet Tranquility Basket to the Boyles family.

April 19 at 9:49 AM





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**Holly Mcpherson** sent an Emerald Garden Basket to the Boyles family.



April 19 at 6:21 AM



**Holly Mcpherson** posted:

Mr. Jimmo, Thank you for loving me and my family as your own. Thank you for raising the best friend I could ever have hoped for. Thank you for your wit, humor (so funny!), and dedication to your family and God. You were a giant among men, and we will cherish your memory forever. Love, Holly and the McPherson clan

April 19 at 6:12 AM



**Jennie Judd** April 21 at 6:20 AM

He was the best & he loved you all dearly!!! ❤️



**Sherrie Taylor** sent a virtual gift in honor of James "Jim".



April 18 at 4:42 PM



**Sherrie Taylor** lit a candle in honor of James "Jim".



April 18 at 4:40 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Guiding Light Bouquet to the Boyles family.



April 17 at 5:43 PM



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**Lisa "Marie"** sent a Basket of Memories to the Boyles family.

April 17 at 1:25 PM



**Mid-America Pipeline Family** sent a Magnificent Life Spray to the Boyles family.

April 17 at 1:14 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Rainbow Reflections Basket to the Boyles family.

April 17 at 1:11 PM



**Mid-America Pipeline Family** sent an A New Sunrise Spray to the Boyles family.

April 17 at 1:07 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Boyles family.

April 17 at 8:41 AM



**Mark & Elizabeth Campbell** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Boyles family.

April 17 at 7:58 AM





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**Lisa Ziara** posted:

It was a blessing to have known Jim for the past 21 years. He will be missed so much. Told the best stories. His humor and laughter was infectious. Gave my son his first ride on a skid steer when he was three. May God's peace & comfort cover Jim's family, Rita, Greg, Jenny and his Grandchildren, that I have heard so many stories about. Love & Prayers, Lisa "Marie" (my Jim given name)

April 17 at 4:36 AM



**Jennie Judd** April 21 at 6:16 AM

Lisa.. I missed you at the visitation, thank you for attending & paying your respects. I know my dad thought a lot of you!! He lit up when you called & would say "it's Lisa "Marie". 😊 He was the best.. truly..one in a million. Hope to see you when we have his memorial after the virus quarantine is over!!



**Ann Morson** posted:

I'll always remember going to Cisne each summer and getting to see James Kent, Bobby, Aunt Joyce & Uncle Bob. It was always so much fun with everyone. Going to the lake, fishing, fish fries and helping in the concession stand. The parachute tent, raspberry bush, yard swing, board games, the huge comic book & MAD magazine supply in their room and James Kent and Bobby's laugh. I'm sure I was a pesky little girl cousin (bugging the 3 boys) but they were always good to me and were the best cousins ever. I miss them all. I love you James Kent and will miss you. Ann (Tugboat Annie and Anniepot)

April 16 at 12:59 PM



**Sherrie Taylor** posted:

My husband had been very sick and wanted a vacation very badly so Rita and James stepped in and sent me my husband on a prepaid vacation that we will never forget, afterwards my husband was able to get a kidney donated by our wonderful son-in-law Anthony, and is doing well today. James was generous and kind and tried to help as many people as he could. The world is a little less brighter with his passing, but heaven got a little brighter for sure.

April 16 at 12:29 PM



**Jennie Judd** April 21 at 6:19 AM

Love you all so much!! ❤️



## Media

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

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



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