



James Paul Hopper

September 30, 1942 - January 11, 2014

On January 11, 2014 James "Jim" Paul Hopper, born September 30, 1942, of Moriarty, NM, returned to live with his Heavenly Father after a courageous battle with pneumonia. Jim was born in Albuquerque and grew up in the North Valley. He graduated from Valley High School and remained in New Mexico his entire life. Jim joined the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in 1981 and was subsequently sealed to his lovely wife in the Mesa, Arizona Temple. Jim was an avid horseman and cowboy and he learned of life's lessons in those professions. He subsequently worked in the field of water wells and at Yellow Freight. Jim spent many years serving his community as a volunteer firefighter in Valencia County. His favorite hobby was building and admiring classic street rods. Many a car show saw Jim in attendance. Jim's many grandchildren were the apples of his eye and brought him much joy and happiness. He is preceded in death by his parents, Daniel Paul Hopper and Kittie Inez Hopper and two of his sisters, Joan Nichols and Mary Bertram. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, son, brother and friend. He is survived by his loving wife of 33 years, Helen E. Hopper and his six children, Darro Hopper, Bobbi Olson and her husband, Jim, Dominic P. Lewis Hopper and his wife, Stephanie, Alisha Walz and her husband, Jerry, Philip Hopper, and David Hoppe; 19 grandchildren, Cody, Brian, Caitlyn, Rowdy, Kaden, Karsen, Rhagen, Preslie, Braden, MacKenzie, Kathleen, Jerry, Jackson, Claire, Gregory, Owan, James, Joshua, and Jordan. He is also survived by two sisters, Billie Coffey of Rio Rancho, and Margaret Schear and her

husband, Jerry of Moriarty, plus numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, January 15, 2014 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints located at 5709 Haines Ave, NE, Albuquerque, NM. A viewing will be held at 9:00 a.m. with funeral services beginning at 9:30 a.m. Pallbearers are Dale Bradshaw, John Mathews, Ted Tietjen, Jerry Clark Sr., David Oakes, and Mark Hopper. Honorary Pallbearers are Jerry Walz, Edd Coffey, Jerry Schear, Steven Schear, Clay Coffey, Boyd Coffey and Kenny Bishop.

Previous Events

Funeral Ceremony

JAN 15. 9:30 AM (MT)

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
5709 Haines Ave NE
Albuquerque, NM 87110

Visitation

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Tribute Wall

AT

“ My name is Alex Taylor. "Mr Hopper", Jim has always been in our hearts and prayers. When we first moved to Belen we were a family of 6 living on one teachers salary. Had it not been for Jim, there were plenty of times we would have been without water. He was our savior many a time. He would let me pay later, not pay, and at times he would tell me " heck, I didn't do much, don't worry about it, you can catch me next time". He was always friendly and kind. He was the kind of person we should all try to be. I am very grateful to have known him and to have called him my friend. Our respects to the family, We will still never forget him in our prayers. Thanks Jim.

Alex Taylor - January 17, 2014 at 12:31 PM

DA

“ Sending love and comforting thoughts to Helen and all your family. You have a circle of friends and fellowship that can help you through this, you are not alone. I will always remember Jim's smile, laugh, and helpful hand in times of need to everyone he knew.

Darlene Nelson (Clark)

Darlene - January 15, 2014 at 11:07 AM

PG

“ We will miss Jim and know that he is in a wonderful place and that we will see him again.
All our love and prayers go to his family and wife. We love you all very much. Helen when life gets rough over the next few month , as we know it will, you can come to Utah and Visit me and we will cry together and laugh together as we remember Jim. Love you Sis.

Pam Gubler - January 14, 2014 at 03:17 PM



“ *European Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of James Paul Hopper.*



January 14, 2014 at 10:29 AM



“ *To Helen and Family. Just wanted to say how sorry Diane and I were to hear about Jim. We will always remember the fun times at the family reunion and how he was a friend to everyone. We will miss him. We want you to know that you are in our prayers and we look forward to seeing him again when we are all together in that great family reunion with our Father In Heaven.*

We love you guys! Kim and Diane Finch

Kim Finch - January 14, 2014 at 07:41 AM



“ *Genetta Thornhill purchased the European Sympathy Dish Garden for the family of James Paul Hopper.*



Genetta Thornhill - January 13, 2014 at 01:04 PM

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“ *Helen and Family we were so shocked to hear of Jim's passing but know we are grateful for his friendship and his sense of humor. We will miss him. It was good to see him at the Oaks wedding anniversary party. Know the Lord will be with you to comfort you and give you the peace you need at this time in your life and in the days and weeks to come. We know we will see him again.*
Loving, Andrew and Connie Berish

Berish - January 13, 2014 at 10:27 AM

JL

“ *Philip,*
Sorry to hear about the loss of your Dad. He was a great and good man to know.
Our thoughts and Prayers are with you and your family at this time.
May God Bless You.
Love,
Joyce and Jim Lawson

Joyce Lawson - January 12, 2014 at 07:12 PM

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To : The Hopper Family.I am sorry for your lost. May your love for James and the memories he shared with you,may they comfort you.

R,Gaines - January 14, 2014 at 10:48 PM