



James Bernard Salarano Jr.

October 1, 1939 - July 28, 2024

James Bernard Salarano Jr., of Lake Saint Louis and a dedicated humanitarian, passed away on July 28, 2024, at the age of 84. Born on October 1, 1939, in St. Louis, Missouri, to James Salarano Sr. and Lillie (Lesinski) Salarano. James lived a fulfilling life devoted to serving others and participating in various charitable organizations.

Throughout his life, James was a faithful member of the Lutheran Church and an active member of the Lions Club in University City, Bridgeton, Moscow Mills, and Lake St. Louis. He was an integral part of the Boy Scouts, first as a scout and later as an adult leader, instilling invaluable lessons in countless young lives. A true sports enthusiast, James enjoyed watching wrestling and playing golf in his free time.

Outside of his volunteer work, James was a dedicated family man and a pillar of strength for his wife, Maxine Salarano that he shared 63 years with. He was a compassionate individual who never hesitated to lend a helping hand to those in need. His kindness extended beyond his community, and he was a devoted usher and elder at Holy Cross Church in O'Fallon, Missouri.

Upon his retirement, James explored various entrepreneurial opportunities, including working as a Pampered Chef consultant, caregiver, grocery store checker, and carpenter's helper. He also ventured into business investments,

owning a beauty salon and investing in racecars.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and sister, Margaret Forshey. Survivors include his loving wife, Maxine Salarano of Lake St. Louis, Missouri; daughters: Cheryl Combs and husband Danny of St. Louis, Missouri, and Michelle Mathews and husband Charles of Troy, Missouri; brother, Charles Salarano and wife Rose of Holt Summitt, Missouri; 7 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

A visitation for James Bernard Salarano Jr. will be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2024, from 10:00 a.m. until service time at 11:00 a.m. at Valhalla Funeral Chapel, Crematory and Cemetery, 7600 St. Charles Rock Road, St. Louis, Missouri. Burial will follow at Valhalla Cemetery with full military honors.

Cemetery Details

Valhalla Cemetery

7600 St Charles Rock Road
St Louis, MO 63133

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 6. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Valhalla Chapel of Memories
7600 St Charles Rock Road
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Funeral Ceremony

AUG 6. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Love, Don & Becky and family. purchased the Fire Lily and Rose for the family of James Bernard Salarano Jr..



Love, Don & Becky and family. - August 06, 2024 at 12:55 PM



“ Tom and Nat Norris planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Bernard Salarano Jr..

Tom and Nat Norris - August 05, 2024 at 05:14 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of James Bernard Salarano Jr..



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“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of James Bernard Salarano Jr..



July 31, 2024 at 07:09 PM

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“Daddy I will miss you forever. Love you to the moon and back”
Cheryl

Cheryl Combs - July 31, 2024 at 06:49 PM

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“The best brother a brother could ever have, any time I got in trouble Jimmy was there to help me. He introduced me to the Military and treated me like his son. Love you big brother.

Charles Salarano - July 31, 2024 at 11:45 AM