



## James L. Norgren

November 19, 1932 - February 27, 2021

James L. Norgren, 88, of Wheatfield, NY, Saturday (February 27, 2021) at home surrounded by his loving family under the care of Niagara Hospice. Mr. Norgren was born in Eden, New York on November 19, 1932 to Joseph and Matilda (Kickbush) Norgren. James was a United States Army Veteran who served from 1953-1955, graduate of Valparaiso University in 1958 as a Civil Engineer, a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church for 55 years, worked for Krehbiel Consulting Engineers from 1958-1974, received his professional Engineering license in 1967, worked for the Town of Grand Island for 21 years from 1974 until he retired in 1995, began as the town Engineer, then as the Superintendent of the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Upon his retirement he continued to enjoy hockey, golf, bowling, camping, traveling, and spending time with grandchildren. James was predeceased by his brother Joseph and his sister Ida Mae Johnson. James is survived by his loving wife of 64 years Barbara (Lemon) Norgren, loving father of Jeffrey (Roxanne) Norgren, Jill (Dan) Bentley, and Jennifer (Roy) Woods, brother of Gerald (Suzanne) Norgren, grandfather of Amie, Joseph, Bridgett, Jeremy, Emilee, Alicia, and Alex, great grandfather of Ava, Michael, and Jacob, also surviving are many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, March 20, 2021 at 1 P.M. from St. Paul Lutheran Church, 453 Old Falls Blvd., North Tonawanda. Memorial contributions can be made in Jim's memory to St. Paul Lutheran Church or Niagara Hospice.



# Cemetery Details

**White Chapel Memorial Park**

# Previous Events

## Memorial Services

MAR **20**. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Paul Lutheran Church  
453 Old Falls Blvd  
North Tonawanda, NY 14120

# Tribute Wall

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“ From Robert Norgren and Nancy (Norgren) Ritchie, Sorry but I just heard of Uncle Jim's passing so, of course, I missed the funeral services two days ago.No one informed us. Then again, we were never considered part of the Norgren Family. Not even Uncle Jim's brother, Joseph. (I am surprised he is even mentioned.) I didn't know Uncle Jim hardly at all as we were never invited. My dad would of once again been hurt by his family.

Nancy Ann Ritchie - March 22, 2021 at 08:29 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of James L. Norgren.



March 19, 2021 at 04:38 PM



“ ED PHILLIPS WAS WITH OUR DEAR LORD TO GREET JIM WHEN HE ARRIVED IN HEAVEN & HAD AN EARLY RESERVED TEE TIME FOR THESE TWO GOLFING PARTNERS ON THE MOST BEAUTIFUL COURSE JIM HAS EVER SEEN! TOGETHER AGAIN ! GOD BLESS - THEY ARE CONTINUING THEIR GREAT FRIENDSHIP! XX

Elisabeth Phillips - March 18, 2021 at 11:48 AM



“ *DEAR ONES - MY HEART AND DEEPEST THOUGHTS AND SYMPATHY WILL BE WITH ALL OF YOU ON SATURDAY AT 1:00 -IN MEMORIAL TO JIM - OUR VERY SPECIAL LONG TIME FOREVER FRIEND - MY PRAYERS HAVE BEEN WITH BARBARA AND ALL THE FAMILY EACH AND EVERY DAY AND WILL CONTINUE.  
I SEND ALL OUR LOVE AND HUGS TO YOU AND MAY GOD BLESS AND KEEP YOU ALWAYS IN HIS DEAR LOVING CARE AS YOU REMEMBER ALL THE WONDERFUL YEARS YOU SHARED WITH JIIM - AS WE WILL NEVER FORGET THOSE TIMES ALSO - LIZ -VALERIE, BLAKE & AVERY, BRETT & SHANNON & ANNIKA, & BRUCE PHILLIPS XXXXXXXX*

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**Elisabeth Phillips** - March 18, 2021 at 11:30 AM



*ED WAS THERE IN HEAVEN BESIDE OUR DEAR LORD TO GREET JIM - THE LORD HAD RESERVED AN EARLY TEE TIME FOR THESE TWO GOLFING PARTNERS ON THE MOST BEAUTIFUL GOLF COURSE JIM HAS EVER SEEN!!*

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**Elisabeth Phillips** - March 18, 2021 at 11:41 AM

JD

“ *Condolences to the Norgren family. Very sorry to hear the sad news of Jim's passing. Thoughts and prayers to family and friends.*

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**John Davis** - March 07, 2021 at 03:10 PM

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“ Although I lived in Washington, D.C. for 25 years I met Jim and Barbara through my mother, Mary Kobus, who enjoyed her longtime wonderful friendship with Barbara and Jim. I joined my mother to attend a nice function at the very beautiful Norgren home in a lovely neighborhood. My mother often said that Jim and Barbara made a wonderful couple who raised an outstanding family. I consider myself extremely fortunate to know Jim and Barbara.

*Jim and I always had animated discussions about major league sports, especially the Bills and Sabres. I will truly miss the opportunities that I had talking sports with Jim as well as the latest developments in the Buffalo area.*

*Jim was a highly educated and accomplished engineer who always found time to help others. Jim had an engaging and welcoming smile that said so much to everyone.*

*I have enormous respect for Jim's devotion to his faith, and that guided his entire life, especially the way in which he related to everyone. I was also glad to learn about the youth activities in Jim's church.*

*Jim sure had many friends throughout Western New York and our country. He will be missed by so many people.*

*I look forward to continuing my friendship with Barbara in the years ahead. Perhaps Barbara can join me this summer for lunch at my favorite Buffalo restaurant, "The Place" on Lexington Avenue. I also hope that Liz Phillips will visit Barbara after the Pandemic.*

*Jim and Barbara have my prayers knowing that they will be together again in Heaven.*

*Barbara has my sincere offer to help in any way in the future.*

*With love, Tom Kobus*

**Tom Kobus** - March 03, 2021 at 03:41 PM

VP

“ *Norgren family and extended family we are so sorry to hear that Uncle Jim passed. I'm very glad we were able to see him and talk to him last week. I have so many great memories of summers spent with the family and our family. So many cookouts, restaurant trips when we visited, golf games and more. He was a very loving good natured man. I'm sure he's golfing right now with my dad. You all and Uncle Jim are forever in our hearts. He will be the best guardian angel ever. Prayers for peace and healing. Lots of love from the Phillips Family in Texas and Oregon.*

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**Valerie Phillips** - March 01, 2021 at 09:50 PM

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“ *To the whole Norgren family I want to pass on mine and Lornas condolences for your loss of James ! He was such a calm and gentle soul and i really enjoyed my times and talks with him ! May the awesome memories of your time with him , carry you through this tough time !! Our best thoughts and prayers go out to you all !!*



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**Tom Bridge** - March 01, 2021 at 06:35 PM