



# James William Fulton

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James William (Jim) Fulton, age 82, passed away Thursday, December 7, 2023, after a courageous battle with cancer. He was born October 22, 1941, in Muskegon, MI to Raymond and Mabel Fulton. He graduated from Muskegon Heights High School in 1960 and went on to receive a Master's Degree in Education from Western Michigan University. On July 23, 1966, Jim married his life's love, Judi Bench.

Jim had a passion for teaching and taught for Orchard View Schools for 34 years. During Jim's life, he was able to travel the world extensively and take his family to every state of the union. Jim loved hunting and fishing adventures throughout the wilderness of Canada and Alaska. When not travelling, Jim loved golfing with friends throughout Michigan, and spending time at the family cabin on Little Bass Lake. "Pappo" had a deep love for his grandkids and never missed an opportunity to be part of their busy lives.

Jim was a proud member of the Vikings, White Lake Eagles, Fremont Moose, lifetime member of Muskegon Elks, and spent 25 years as an Old Newsboy, and many other charitable organizations.

Jim will be dearly missed by his wife, Judi; sons, Jason (Tricia) Fulton of Knoxville, TN and Joel (Kristi) Fulton of Muskegon; grandchildren, Carter Fulton, Madison Fulton, Nicholas Fulton and Jordan Fulton. He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Judith Pitawanakwat.

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE will be held on Saturday, January 13th, 2024, from 12:00 – 3:00 at the Vikings Lodge at 3132 Lakeshore Dr. Muskegon. Arrangements entrusted to The Lee Chapel of Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services (6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores, MI 49444) To share special memories with the family, please visit [www.sytsemafh.com](http://www.sytsemafh.com).




# Events


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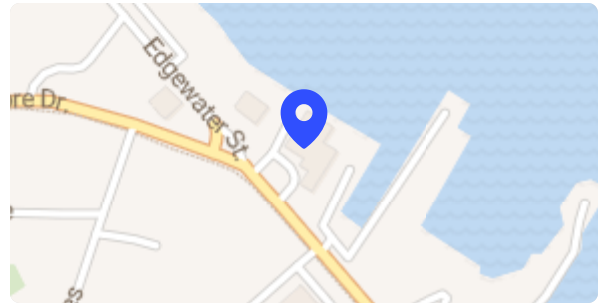
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## Celebration of Life

 **Saturday**, January 13, 2024

 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET

 **Viking Linne Lodge #57**  
3132 Lakeshore Dr., Muskegon MI 49441





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

January 12 at 8:19 AM



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

January 12 at 7:54 AM



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

January 10 at 8:21 AM



**BR**

**Betsy Tyler Ridderman** posted:

My very favorite teacher! I took business classes from him. Learning was easy and fun with him teaching. He was also my driving teacher. Sympathies to the family.

December 18 at 10:37 AM



**NM**

**Nancy Medema** posted:

I am so sorry for your loss, Judi! I lost Larry May, of 2021 and it is not easy. Will be thinking of you.  
Nancy

December 12 at 1:39 PM



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

December 11 at 3:25 PM





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**Catherine Wiseman** posted:

Such a kind, friendly gentleman with the warmest smile! Mark and I were so lucky to have met Jim and to spend our work days with his son Joel who shares so many great qualities with his father. Wishing Judi and the entire family joy and peaceful hearts in your amazing memories .

December 11 at 2:19 PM



**Tami Ward Strodbeck** posted:

Oh Mr. Fulton. You were my favorite. He was my shorthand teacher one year. There were about seven others, all girls, in the class. One day he dictated a letter for us to write. I will never forget it. He started out, Dear Mary, you left your sweater in the back seat of my car. Everyone started laughing, including him. He tried several times to finish the letter. He finally gave up after about six tries and we never did find out why her sweater was in the back seat. Sincere sympathies to his family. He was one of the good ones.

December 11 at 10:53 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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