



## James W. Mooneyhan

November 19, 1938 - June 21, 2022

James W. Mooneyhan, 83 of Bluffton, passed away on Tuesday night, June 21, 2022 at River Terrace Retirement Community in Bluffton.

James was born on November 19, 1938 in St. Charles, VA to Archie & Dulcie (Rose) Mooneyhan. He served his country in the U.S. Airforce from 1963-1967. James served as mayor of St. Charles, VA for four consecutive terms. He also owned the St. Charles Hardware Store before he moved to Wells County in 1987. He worked for Briner Builders on the concrete crew for 17 years. James attended the Bluffton Church of God, where he loved to play guitar and assisted in running the Food Bank.

On December 19, 1987, James and Barbara Harmon were married. They shared 34 years together.

Survivors include his wife, Barbara of Bluffton, children; Starleen (Charlie) Elkins and Penny Bailey both of Virginia, Pamela (Ronnie) Gibson of Huntington, Connie (Mitch) Anderson of Bluffton, Tracey (Carla) Hughes of New Haven, Lori (Herb) Lewis of Bluffton, numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren. He is also survived by two brothers Virgil Mooneyhan of Greely, CO and Daniel Mooneyhan of El Paso, TX.

James is preceded in death by his parents, a daughter Kathy Gephart, a son Randy Hughes, a great-granddaughter Meria Lewis and his siblings; Marion Mooneyhan, Geneva Hamilton and Ruby Jane Campbell.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 P.M. on Friday, June 24, 2022 at the

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Visitation will take place from 10 A.M. until the time of service on Friday.

Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery with Military Honors and American Legion Post #111 Honor Guard of Bluffton.

Memorials may be made to Bluffton Church of God.

Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the family at [www.thomarich.com](http://www.thomarich.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Cemetery

3101 East Division Road  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
(260) 824-2832  
<http://www.themonumentcenter.com/about/cemeteries/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**JUN 24.** 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home  
308 West Washington Street  
Bluffton, IN 46714  
<http://www.thomarich.com>

## Funeral Service

**JUN 24.** 1:00 PM (ET)

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<http://www.thomarich.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James W. Mooneyhan*



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**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - June 24, 2022 at 10:13 AM



“ *James W. Mooneyhan*

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September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *Sue Tabor Leber lit a candle in memory of James W. Mooneyhan*



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**Sue Tabor Leber** - June 27, 2022 at 08:45 PM



“ *I will burn candles at home now it will be your candle*



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**Penny James daught** - June 24, 2022 at 09:04 PM

PD

“ Penny James Daught lit a candle in memory of James W. Mooneyhan



Penny James daught - June 24, 2022 at 12:24 PM

PD

“ I was saying my father would let me an my sister then he would stop an let us drive . So thats how I leaned to drive. I love ❤️ you dad

Penny James daught - June 24, 2022 at 12:19 PM

PD

“ When I was a little girl Dad hauled coal. And when it was empty. He would let me and my sister Mary and McDonald riding the back of the truck and then he would stop and let us take turns driving and Lord we wouldn't let nobody know cuz Dad didn't want nobody know but if it's just something I thought about and I wanted to express I love that man he was a good father to me he was a good man to everybody he was sweet and kind that I never seen him say a bad word to nobody I love you Dad I'll see you in heaven

Penny James daught - June 24, 2022 at 11:29 AM

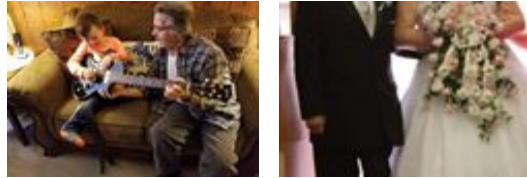
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Dad you are my hero

Penny James daught - June 24, 2022 at 09:01 PM



“ 2 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



**Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home** - June 23, 2022 at 04:50 PM



“ *Love your Heartland Family purchased the Full O f Love Bouquet for the family of James W. Mooneyhan.*



**Love your Heartland Family** - June 23, 2022 at 03:19 PM



“ *Daniel Mooneyhan purchased the Vivid Recollecti ons for the family of James W. Mooneyhan.*



**Daniel Mooneyhan** - June 23, 2022 at 01:51 PM



“ 132 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home - June 23, 2022 at 01:25 PM

MM

“ *Maryann Mcdonald sent a virtual gift in memory of James W. Mooneyhan*



Maryann Mcdonald - June 23, 2022 at 01:11 PM

MM

“ *Maryann Mcdonald lit a candle in memory of James W. Mooneyhan*



Maryann Mcdonald - June 23, 2022 at 01:11 PM

PB

“ Penny Bailey sent a virtual gift in memory of James W. Mooneyhan



Penny Bailey - June 23, 2022 at 01:04 PM

PB

“ Penny Bailey lit a candle in memory of James W. Mooneyhan



Penny Bailey - June 23, 2022 at 01:00 PM

CF

“ Charlie Star Elkins & Family purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of James W. Mooneyhan.



Charlie Star Elkins & Family - June 23, 2022 at 11:22 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of James W. Mooneyhan.



June 23, 2022 at 10:55 AM

PG

“ *Pat Tony Guithues lit a candle in memory of James W. Mooneyhan*



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**Pat Tony Guithues** - June 23, 2022 at 08:15 AM

PB

*He was a good father an husband. You couldn't meet a nicer man than he. I know he will be in heaven waiting on the rest of us. I will never forget you dad. I love you with all my heart, Penny*

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**Penny Bailey** - June 23, 2022 at 01:18 PM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of James W. Mooneyhan.*



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June 23, 2022 at 04:30 AM