



## James W. Bryner

October 10, 1934 - March 19, 2009

James Willis Bryner, 74 passed from this life on Thursday, March 19th, 2009 in Hermitage, Missouri .

Jim, a resident of Hickory County for the past five years was born in Kewanee , IL on October 10, 1934, an only child to LaVetta Carlson and Willis Charles Bryner. He was lovingly raised by his paternal grandparents, Charles and Blanche Bryner of Kewanee , IL .

Jim learned to fly as a young man in Kewanee and spent many years piloting his own airplanes through the course of his adult life. He was a graduate of the University of Miami, Florida and honorably served his country in the U. S. Army as a Staff Sergeant stationed in Germany .

On a blind date while in Germany , he met his wife of 50 years, Berta Ann Williams. Jim and Berta had a passionate and devoted friendship and love affair and traveled extensively making many friends along the way. Jim enjoyed fishing with his sons, taking his family camping and was always the life of the party. Jim was infatuated with genealogy and assisted many families in researching missing relatives; also revealing that several of his own grandchildren had a great, great, great grandfather who was a secretary to Abraham Lincoln.

Jim owned and operated many businesses throughout his professional career including Bryton Technology of Toulon and West Jersey, IL, Tri State Tire and Schaap Brenner Car Care Centers of Sacramento CA , Kelly Distributing of Auburn CA , Valley Tire of Ojai CA and Bryners Illini Tire of Princeton IL . Jims true passion was revealed in his later years as he became a published author. Jim has three books in publication and has at least 9 more books complete. His family will carry on his desire to get more of his books in publication.

Jim was a loving and devoted husband, father, brother, son and grandson and remembering and missing him today are wife, Berta Ann Bryner and 4 children, Kelly Elizabeth Riley of Chandlerville, IL, Jennifer Lynn Nicolay of Diamond Springs, CA, Mark James Bryner of Lakewood, CO and Eric Matthew Bryner of Kewanee, IL. He is also survived by half brother, Dennis C. Packee of Osceola , IL , seven grandchildren, Shannon, Ryan , Chad , Cassi, Meghan , Jordan and Matthew and 2 great grandchildren, Madailein and Aiden.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents.

We want to express our deepest gratitude and love to our extended family, Helen and Marlin Lincoln and Dean Brownfield who was Jims biggest fan. Our family would also like to thank the staff at Christian Health Care in Hermitage where he was lovingly cared for during the last weeks of his life.

Family and friends will say goodbye at a graveside service Monday, March 23, 2009 at Dooly Bend Cemetery in Hickory County at 10:00 am. Military Honors will be provided by the AMVETS Post #114 of Flemington, Missouri. Arrangements are under the care and direction of the Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar, Missouri.

Friends and family may sign the guest book or send private condolences at w

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# Tribute Wall



“ *James W. Bryner*

October 05, 2023 at 05:18 AM



“ *James W. Bryner*

January 26, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ *If a brilliant mind such as yourself survived this world, it gives me the confidence to survive as well. I miss you, Papa. I think of you everyday.*

**Cassi** - April 18, 2018 at 09:10 PM



“ *We love you Grandpa and know your in a better place now. Miss you*

**Ryan** - April 03, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Berta,  
I am so sorry to hear the news. I have such good memories of spending time with you and Jim as a young girl. Now as a grown up, middle aged women, I understand how you will miss him dearly. I hope you can remember all of your good times. Take Care  
Love Kathy and Family*

**Kathy Gwyn & Family** - April 02, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ *Berta and Family,*

*Ben and I were so saddened to hear about the death of your husband.*

*You are in our thoughts and prayers, and will continue to be for many years to come.*

*Take care, and please keep in touch.*

*Your friends in Christ,*

*Dolores and Ben*

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**Benjamin and Dolores Saars** - March 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ *Your time in my life was much too short. I am thankful for the time we had but find myself filled with deep regret for how little I knew you. You will be remembered as a great man. One with a strong will and a kind heart.*

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**Jordan Nicolay** - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ *Dearest Berta and family, Barb and I send our condolences and prayers at this sad time. We know how devoted you and Jim were to each other and what a loss Jim is to all the family. We, however, also know of your strong faith and the strength you are receiving from our Lord at this moment. We share in your grief and please be assured of our prayers. We will offer our Masses this weekend for you. Love,*  
*Kent*

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**Kent Harrison** - March 27, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PW

“ Beloved Berta - you hold such a special place in my heart. Know that my prayers are with you and your family. Jenny has been so wonderful - what a blessing are the children in whom Jim lives on. With love - pat

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**Pat Wood** - March 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Berta - my thoughts are with you and your family - love Chickie

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**Chickie Mazares** - March 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ It's hard to let you go when only I saw you just a couple days before... You my grandfather got to hold your first great grandchild before you passed on. That was such a blessing and the pictures are surely going to mean a whole lot to Madailein when she gets older. You were a wonderful man and you will be missed greatly! I love you very much grandpa! I can't wait to see you again someday! Love you forever and for always! -Meghan and Madailein

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**Meghan Riley** - March 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ I grew to know this man thru the eyes of his daughter, Kelly - long before Jim and I actually met. Later I learned, he was in fact, everything his daughter had portrayed as she would speak of her daddy.

*To earn the boasting rights of even a small percentage of this man's accomplishments in life, would be the envy of most men.*

*He will be missed by all who knew him and those he touched.*

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**Rick Dennis** - March 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ I will miss you grandpa! I wish we had been able to talk more about the family history, and I wish that I might have been able to share my dissertation with you. I love you.

*I love you too grandma, and miss you. I wish you strength and peace going forward.*

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**Shannon M. Riley** - March 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MJ

“ I am so sorry to hear of your Loss, Jim will be Missed by many. May God be with you all.

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**Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Mott Jr** - March 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Hi Denny,  
Jim & I winter in Az. or I could hand deliver our sincere sympathies`s a very challenging time-but time does help.

*Sincerely,  
Barb & Jim*

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**Jim & Barb Glasgo** - March 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ james was a wounderful man he will be missed by many.we will all miss him.we send our love and best wishes to his family.  
sincerly,madolyn and loyd burger keller

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**madolyn burger keller** - March 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Berta,

*Barbara and I are so glad we got to meet and spend time with you and Jim over these past 10 years or so. He was a great person and someone I really enjoyed talking with and being around. I always enjoyed my visits to Toulon.*

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**John Bryner** - March 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM