



## James Albert Grusendorf

May 19, 1946 - January 11, 2021

James Albert Grusendorf, 74, of Lubbock, passed away on Monday January 11.

James was born in Reedsburg Wisconsin on April 19, 1946 to Albert and Betty Grusendorf. He was the oldest of 5 boys and spent his childhood in Wisconsin and later in Texas, first in Muleshoe and finally settling in Morton in 1963. There he met and married his high school sweetheart, Sherry Kay Lynch also of Morton. They moved to Lubbock in 1966 where they raised two children, Greg and Melissa.

James worked at American Trailer and later Coastal Plains bearing service until 1986, when he and his partners formed Plains Bearing, Inc., an industrial parts distributor. He was a member of the Lubbock Industrial Lions Club. As a longtime industrial parts man, he was a walking encyclopedia of part numbers, sizes, ratios and dimensions. Vacation locations were determined by whether he would have phone access to the office and his customers.

James was a parishioner at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church for over 40 years and served in ministries including the Parish Council, Marriage Preparation, C.C.E teacher, Eucharistic minister, Usher, and financial secretary for Knights of Columbus.

James enjoyed driving and working on old cars and was a member of the Caprock Corvette Club, but always said his greatest joy in life were his children and grandchildren.

James was a role model and leader for his and Sherry's immediate and

extended families, helping and supporting both of their parents and siblings over the years. He was always there when anyone needed help and was a friend to everyone who met him.

James was preceded in death by his parents, brother Wayne, and his beloved daughter Melissa Grusendorf Canale. He is survived by Sherry; son Greg & daughter-in-law Melanie, grandsons Gus, Sam and Charlie Grusendorf of Bergheim; Son-in-law David Canale & wife Edie, grandson Ford Canale and granddaughter Ella Canale of Ransom Canyon; brother John Grusendorf & wife Sylvia of Spur; brother Gerald Grusendorf & wife Deletta of Frisco; brother Mike Grusendorf of Lubbock; sisters and brothers-in-law Nancy & Bill Cross of Cedar Creek, Betty & Gary Kernell of Lubbock, Wanda & Dusty Dupree of Lubbock, Mike & Julie Lynch of Austin, and numerous nieces and nephews and many treasured friends.

There will be a memorial service at Sanders Funeral Home on Friday June 25th, 2021 at 7 PM with family receiving guests starting at 6:00. There will also be a memorial service Saturday June 26th at 10 AM at St. Elizabeths Catholic Church.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorial contributions to Catholic Charities of Lubbock, Scottish Rite Children's Hospital of Dallas, or Saint Elizabeth's University Parish Building Fund, 2305 Main Street, Lubbock, 79401.

# Cemetery Details

## City of Lubbock Cemetery

2011 E 31st Street  
Lubbock, TX 79404

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUN 25. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Sanders Memorial Chapel  
1420 Main Street  
Lubbock, TX 79401

# Tribute Wall



“ Sanders Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of James Albert Grusendorf



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**Sanders Funeral Home** - June 25, 2021 at 07:46 PM



“ Sanders Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James Albert Grusendorf

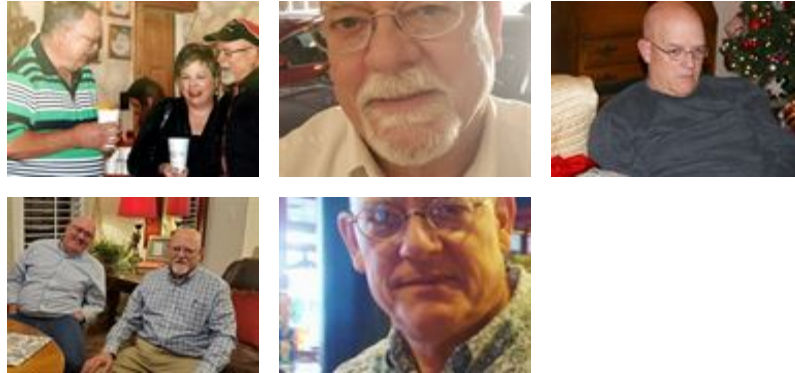


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**Sanders Funeral Home** - June 24, 2021 at 08:19 PM



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**Sanders Funeral Home** - June 24, 2021 at 08:15 PM

AJ

“ *Sherry,*

*Thinking of you during this difficult time. James was always so kind and welcoming - he will be missed! Love you!*

*Sincerely,  
Amber & Braylon*

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**Amber Joyce** - January 19, 2021 at 02:08 AM

BS

“ James was so nice! I got the privilege to work with him for a short time. My first day working, & I was in the warehouse working, guess it was a good summer hot day. Came back inside & I just passed out!! All I remember is opening my eyes to him and my Father. We always laughed at that, of course later in years. (HA) James was always so nice and caring. My Father Bobby worked for him for years and we became family. Humble, he was so much. He would go out if his way to help. You will be missed James. May God Bless your Wife Sherry and all your babies.

Your Famililt is in my Prayers!  
Brandi Soto (Bobby Hindman's Daughter)

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**Brandi soto** - January 16, 2021 at 08:34 AM

LP

“ Never will forget our ride in your Corvette!!!While I was @ work.Such a special memory !



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**Leticia Palos** - January 16, 2021 at 04:08 AM

JC

“ Sherry, may our Lord and Savior, shower you and your family with his grace and merciful comfort at this difficult time.

Juan and Terri Contreras

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**Juan and Terri Contreras** - January 15, 2021 at 08:04 PM



*Prayers and condolences to you and your family.  
Jim will miss his dear friend and co-worker.  
So many memories from such a long time.*

*Jim and Juanita Lara*

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**Jim Lara** - January 19, 2021 at 02:07 PM