



James Stys

June 16, 1965 - February 2, 2017

James K. Stys, 51, of Nashua, NH, died Thursday, February 2, 2017 in Nashua, surrounded by his loving family following a courageous fight with cancer.

He and his twin sister, Karen, were born on June 16, 1965 in Nashua. James was an Alumnus of the Franco American School in Lowell, a graduate of Nashua High School, Class of 1983, attended New Hampton School for a prep year in 1984, and then attended the University of Pittsburg. He later graduated from Middlesex Community College with a degree in criminal justice and was currently enrolled in two Master's Degree programs at UMass Lowell.

James began his law enforcement career with the Hillsborough County Sheriffs Department. In 1992 he graduated from the NH Police Academy and joined the Town of Hillsborough Police Department a year later. In 1996, James joined the Town of Hudson Police Department where he would reach the position of Master Patrol Officer. During his tenure, he was an active member of the NH Attorney General's Drug Task Force, a Certified Accident Re-constructionist, a Certified Motorcycle Officer, a member of the Hudson Police Crime Scene Unit, and a DARE Officer. In March of 2014, James joined the UMass Lowell Police Department, where he was currently employed, and also served as a Deputy Sheriff for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,

Middlesex Sheriffs Office.

An avid history buff, James was happy to share his wealth of knowledge with students at local Hudson middle schools. He was proud to have helped organize the Hudson Police Toys for Tots program, a program for which he received numerous awards. He also received three Life Saving Awards through the Hudson Police Department.

James was a member of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, where he held the position of Grand Mason. He was also a member of the Screen Actors Guild, attended Calvary School at Little Big Horn, and enjoyed traveling the country participating in historical reenactments, such as the Civil War, WWII, and Battleship Cove on the USS Massachusetts. He would joke that his life was certainly “eclectic.”

He was predeceased by his role model dad, David J. Connor, MD.

James leaves his mother, Mary Elizabeth “Liz” Connor, his twin sister Karen Stys, his daughter Marissa Elizabeth Stys and her mother Sheri Macpherson, as well as Kenneth T. Stys, David J. Connor, Jodi Connor, Jeffrey Strong.

He also leaves a niece, Taylor Connor, nephews Jacob Stys, Ryan Connor, Stephen David Strong.

As well as an uncle, James L. Handley, an aunt, Margaret Feeney and her husband John, an aunt, Judith Handley.

Also, cousins, Maris Handley, James Handley III, Mary Kate Feeney, John J. Feeney, and Courtney Elizabeth Feeney.

And, his extended family Celine Fortin, William Emmons, Daniel Dolan,

Vincent Knoll, Raymond McDannell, R.J. Jackson, the UMass Lowell Police Department, the Hudson Police Department, and the Brotherhood of Blue.

Visiting hours will be held on Monday, February 6th, in THE DUMONT-SULLIVAN FUNERAL HOME, 50 FERRY ST. IN HUDSON with 2pm - 4pm reserved for Law Enforcement Walk Through and 4pm - 8pm for family and friends. A Mass of Christian Burial will take place on Tuesday, February 7th at 10am at St. John XXIII Parish in St. John the Evangelist Church, 27 Library St., in Hudson. All are asked to please meet at church. Burial will be in St. Patrick Cemetery in Hudson. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made in James's loving memory to either the Oncology Center at Southern NH Medical Center, c/o/ Dr. Roger Hakimian, 8 Prospect St., Nashua, NH 03060 or Laura's World Fund, PO Box 42, Merrimack, NH 03054, which funds educational, health, and recreational services for underprivileged children world wide.

Previous Events

Law Enforcement Walk Through

FEB 6. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Home Hudson, NH
50 Ferry Street
Hudson, NH 03051
(603) 882-9431
info@dumontsullivan.com

VISITING HOURS

FEB 6. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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MASS AT CHURCH

FEB 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. John XXIII
27 Library St.
Hudson, NH 03051

Tribute Wall



“ *Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of James Stys*



Dumont-Sullivan Funeral Homes - February 07, 2017 at 12:54 PM



“ *James Stys*

October 06, 2023 at 08:13 AM



“ *James Stys*

September 27, 2023 at 04:05 AM



“ *Thoughts and prayers for the family of James. There is so much sadness and pain when losing a dear loved one. Even our Lord Jesus was brought to tears when of hearing his good friend Lazarus had died but we can learn much form that account in John 11. Not only did Jesus state that Lazarus was in a sleeping state but then he also resurrected him from the dead. This may bring to you all also a small measure of comfort as do many scriptures from the Bible. Again my deepest sympathies on your loss.*

Tim. B. - March 02, 2017 at 08:08 AM

LR

“ *Very saddened about the passing of Jame. Franco American School has fond memories of James and Karen. James had this innate gift to make the world around him a better place. Keeping James' family in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Sister Lorraine Richard, SCQ
Franco American School*

Lorraine Richard - February 06, 2017 at 01:24 PM

DH

“ *So sorry for your loss.*



Dottie Hirtle - February 06, 2017 at 06:28 AM

DA

“ *You lived the life of a hero Sir. You will always be a hero. Thank you for serving your community and the people of Hudson, NH.*



Daniel - February 05, 2017 at 02:43 PM

JK

“ *Sooooo sorry for your loss ! May God bless and comfort you all !*



Joan Klement - February 05, 2017 at 02:20 PM

ET

“ *Think where man's glory most begins and ends, and say my glory was I had such friends.* ”

William Butler Yeats



Edward Tracy - February 05, 2017 at 09:46 AM

RS

“ *Liz and family,
I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers* ”



Renee St.Onge-McLaughlin - February 04, 2017 at 09:00 PM

ET

“ *I met Jim while serving with the living history crew of the USS Massachusetts. Jim was one of those special people you get to meet once or twice in a lifetime. From the moment he met you he treated you like he had known you all his life and even though we shared a law enforcement background and love of living history I know he would have treated me the same regardless. He was always at the ready with a helping hand, a simile, a joke and most times all three. He will be missed and I am proud to have called him my friend.* ”

*Capt. Edward Tracy
Middletown, RI Police retired*

Edward Tracy - February 04, 2017 at 08:37 PM

GE

“ *Glidden Auto Service & Hudson Bridge Express purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of James Stys.*



Glidden Auto Service & Hudson Bridge Express - February 04, 2017 at 07:35 PM

LB

“ *Love, Kathy, Terry, Matt, Geoff, Lynette Burgess purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Stys.*



Love, Kathy, Terry, Matt, Geoff, Lynette Burgess - February 04, 2017 at 07:20 PM

AS

“ So many distant miles and far too much time kept us far apart over the many years between now and then. You, Karen and Kenneth were always in my thoughts and will remain so till I see you again.

I was proud to read of all your accomplishments, I always knew you'd excel in any endeavor you chose to undertake. You touched many while you were here and made the world a better place, all are deeply saddened by your passing.

My memories of you are precious, from shortly after your birth until last I saw you.

For each thorn, there's a rosebud...

For each twilight-a dawn...

For each trial-the strength to carry on...

For each storm cloud-a rainbow...

For each shadow-the sun...

For each parting-sweet memories when sorrow is done.

...Ralph Waldo Emerson

*Uncle Allan,
Atlanta, GA*

Allan Stys - February 04, 2017 at 06:41 PM

KS

I miss you uncle Allan and aunt rosa

kenny stys - February 05, 2017 at 07:52 AM

JS

“ I worked with Jimmy at Glidden Auto Service on Main St the nicest most polite young man ever the customers loved him as well as I did my prayers are with you all Rest In Peace jimmy

Joyce Dube Sousa - February 04, 2017 at 06:25 PM



“ Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Stys.



February 04, 2017 at 03:43 PM



“ Matt Mac Tir purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of James Stys.



Matt Mac Tir - February 04, 2017 at 03:11 PM

RK

“ RJ Jackson & Peg Kelley purchased the Sapphire Skies Bouquet for the family of James Stys.



RJ Jackson & Peg Kelley - February 04, 2017 at 11:52 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James Stys.



February 04, 2017 at 11:09 AM



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RJ Jackson - February 04, 2017 at 10:36 AM



“ Rick Barry purchased the Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." for the family of James Stys.



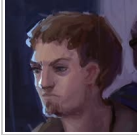
Rick Barry - February 04, 2017 at 09:36 AM



“ Christine Campbell lit a candle in memory of James Stys



Christine Campbell - February 04, 2017 at 05:29 AM



“ You were one of the few people who shook me out of my naivete even when I was being a total jerk. Thank you.



Matt Mac Tir - February 04, 2017 at 12:50 AM



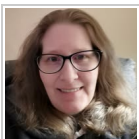
“ *"Cattle die, kindred die,
Every man is mortal:
But the good name never dies
Of one who has done well"*
Havamal 76

Jim lived his life to the fullest, kept a great sense of humor and stayed positive in the face of adversity. He never went into anything half hearted and always put honor and loyalty first. Jim will be missed by many and forgotten by few.

I love you brother! See you in Valhalla!



Chad G. - February 04, 2017 at 12:43 AM



“ *Meg Doucette lit a candle in memory of
James Stys*



Meg Doucette - February 03, 2017 at 11:50 PM

JC

“ *I am very sorry for your loss.
My prayers, best wishes and a warm, loving
hug to James' loved ones.*



*Thank you for his wonderful service, and
legacy that will live on through his family, friends and colleagues.
God bless everyone.*

*Be strong. Remember the happy times, share wonderful stories,
photos, and memories.
Continue old traditions, as well as make new ones. ♡*

Joanne Chin-Blake - February 03, 2017 at 08:59 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family
of James Stys.*



February 03, 2017 at 05:28 PM

TF

“ *The Claflin Family purchased the Beautiful Heart
Bouquet for the family of James Stys.*



The Claflin Family - February 03, 2017 at 05:14 PM

CK

“ Celine, John, Kara and Kendall purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Stys.



Celine, John, Kara and Kendall - February 03, 2017 at 04:40 PM

MS

“ Mike Smith lit a candle in memory of James Stys



Mike Smith - February 03, 2017 at 04:13 PM

SF

“ Stewart I Levenson, MD FACR purchased the Rainbow Reflections Basket for the family of James Stys.



Stewart I Levenson, MD FACR - February 03, 2017 at 03:50 PM

MB

“ I always think of the times that I would pick James and Karen up from Franco American school and bring them home and watch them both rock them selves back and forth on the couch for awhile. I now think that was there way of chilling out. Also going Skidooing down my street in Nashua with all the kids in the neighborhood. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Please let me know if there is anything I can do for all of you.

Mary Bishop

Mary Bishop - February 03, 2017 at 03:43 PM