



## James "Jim" Rauter

October 27, 1943 - April 26, 2011

James "Jim" Rauter, 67, Othello/Marine View Heights resident passed away April 26, 2011 from congestive heart failure at his home. He passed away easy in his favorite recliner. A Memorial service is being held at Warden Community Church (201 W. 3rd St Warden WA.) the service begins at 1:00 pm Saturday, May 7th. Jim is survived by his parents Royal and Elsa (Troutman) Rauter, Warden, WA; one daughter, Sheryl Miller, Newport, WA; one son, Troy Rauter, Newport, WA; his sister Jerry (Rauter) Chapman; three grandchildren, Kees Colby, Natassia Rauter and Chase Miller. Please sign the online guestbook at [www.kayserschapel.com](http://www.kayserschapel.com)

Jim was born October 27th 1943 in Lind, WA. He was the first of 2 children born to Royal and Elsa Rauter being baptized at Warden Community Church. He grew up ranching and farming with his only sibling Jerry Lee (Rauter) Chapman. While growing up, Jim was always involved in the rodeo. Primarily riding bare back bronco's winning numerous awards. He graduated high school at Warden in 1961. Through high school he enjoyed sports primarily baseball obtaining a scholarship. He went on to stay in Warden farming with his parents. In 1962 he married Eldonna Olmsted of Warden WA. Their first child Sheryl (Rauter) Miller was born in 1964 at Othello WA. After the birth of Sheryl they moved to Bremerton WA. Jim obtained a good job for Kitsap County road department. With the birth of their second child Troy Rauter in 1968 he continued to work for the county.

Jim and Eldonna divorced in 1973. Jim went on to stay in Bremerton where he

met his second wife Donna Rivers of Bremerton WA.. He continued working operating heavy equipment for various construction companies. Moving to Stanwood WA on 3 acres he developed in to a beautiful homestead. Jim and Donna (Rivers) Rauter had no children together later on divorcing. He then bought, and moved to his residence in Othello at Marine View heights. He was then closer to, and able to spend more time with his family. He retired from years of dedication and hard work in 2005. He remained dedicated and faithful to his companion, and best friend Dawn (his chocolate lab).

Jim through his life loved to hunt and fish anytime possible. He would travel to many locations around the states hunting big game Elk, Deer, and Antelope. He was also very enthusiastic when it came to hunting Waterfowl, Upland birds, and all other creators of habit. For years he enjoyed putting together, and building up numerous four wheel drives. This made it possible for himself, and others to get into remote locations of the wilderness outdoors for hunting, fishing, camping and just plain old fun. He spent lots of his free time in Montana with his sister Jerry, and friend Doug hunting and fishing.

Jim was a loving son, brother, father, grandfather, and true friend to all. We will all miss him, never forget him, and always love him!! GOD BLESS

In lieu of any flowers and or donations the family request that they be sent in his name to the Washington chapter of Pheasants For Ever. Please contact: Ryan Storm at Email address [rstorm@pheasantsforever.org](mailto:rstorm@pheasantsforever.org) or phone at 618-351-1234 for information on placing your donation. Thanks to all who participated in celebrating Jim Allen Rauters life.

# Previous Events

## Service

MAY 7. 1:00 PM (PT)

Warden Community Church  
201 W. 3rd Street  
Warden, WA

# Tribute Wall



“ I had the pleasure of knowing Jim, he was a kind person to all, and will be missed. My heart goes out to the family.##imported-begin##Chanda Mckinney##imported-end##

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“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Happy I was able to meet such a wonderful man.##imported-begin##Sarah M##imported-end##

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“ To Jim's Family: We are sorry for your loss.

*We will always remember our many hunting and 4-wheeling trips with Metal Flake. Jim was always willing to help anyone at anytime on a moments notice.*

*A message for Jim: "Hey boo boo check for loaded rifles in the green chevy pickup".##imported-begin##Tim and Michele McMillin##imported-end##*

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“ We met Jim about 25 years ago in Bremerton. He always had a smile on his face and was in a good mood whenever we saw him. He was such a hard worker and was first to volunteer to help a friend, no matter what they needed. We are happy to have known him.##imported-begin##Bill and Joanne Lockwood##imported-end##

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“ *Dad has passed on to the greatest place of absolute peace and harmony. Will miss him dearly, never forgetting the man he was, and the good times we enjoyed together! God bless him always and forever.##imported-begin##Troy Rauter##imported-end##*

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