



## James "Jim" R. Lechner

April 10, 1942 - May 19, 2025

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James R. "Jim" Lechner, age 83, of Jasper, Indiana, passed away with his family by his side at 4:38 p.m. on Monday, May 19, 2025, at Deaconess Memorial Hospital in Jasper, Indiana.

Jim was born in Washington, Indiana, on April 10, 1942, to Carl and Bernadette (Baunach) Lechner. He married LaVerne Boehm on March 30, 1967, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Jasper, Indiana.

He attended Jasper High School.

He was a United States Army Veteran serving from 1963-1965; he served in Vietnam as a radio operator.

Jim retired at the age of 76 from the former Acme Metal and DIA, and most recently Mehringer Metal.

He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Jasper, Indiana, a life member of the V.F.W. Post #673 in Jasper, and the Jasper Outdoor Recreation.

He enjoyed NASCAR, college and NFL football, and IU basketball and football.

Surviving are his wife of 58 years, LaVerne Lechner, Jasper, IN, two sons, Kurt A. (Jenny) Lechner, Jasper, IN, and Mark J. (Sherri) Lechner, Fishers, IN, three grandsons, Drake, Spencer, and Bodie Lechner, Jasper, IN, one nephew, Jeffrey C. Lechner, two nieces, Regina (Blessinger) Osborn and Lisa (Lechner) Robertson, numerous other nieces, nephews and cousins, in-laws, Lee (Kathy) Boehm, Juanita Boehm, Don "Yog" (Linda) Boehm, Beth (Chris) Waltz, and Becky Boehm, all of Jasper, IN.

Preceding him in death besides his parents are one brother, George J. Lechner and one sister, Patricia A. Blessinger.

A Mass of Christian Burial for James R. "Jim" Lechner will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 28, 2025, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Jasper, Indiana, with entombment to follow in the Fairview Cemetery Mausoleum in Jasper. The V.F.W. Post #673 will conduct military graveside rites.

A visitation will be held from 3:00-7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at the Becher-Kluesner North Chapel in Jasper, Indiana, and one hour before services at the church on Wednesday from 9:00-10:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to a favorite charity.

Online condolences may be made at [www.becherkluesner.com](http://www.becherkluesner.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Fairview Cemetery Mausoleum

1020 Kundek Street  
Jasper, IN 47546

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 27.** 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Becher & Kluesner Funeral Home - North  
3221 N. Newton Street  
Jasper, IN 47546  
(812) 482-4141  
email@becherkluesner.com

## Visitation

**MAY 28.** 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
1029 Kundek Street  
Jasper, IN

## Mass of Christian Burial

**MAY 28.** 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
1029 Kundek Street  
Jasper, IN



# Tribute Wall

CW

“ Please accept my sympathy. I am sorry for you loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you. God bless you. ~Charles Weisman

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**Charles Weisman** - May 30, 2025 at 08:56 AM

ML

“ Jim,

*Was a "good friend" to all who knew him; he will be greatly missed. I extend my deepest sympathy to La Verne, Kurt, Mark and families.*

*God Bless,  
Marc Lampert*

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**Marc A. Lampert** - May 26, 2025 at 09:02 PM

KS

“ Jim - Salt of the earth and a wonderful person. You will be missed. God bless your soul and may you RIP. Laverne, so sorry for your loss.

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**Kenny Seifert** - May 22, 2025 at 08:31 AM

MD

“ So sorry to hear of Jims passing. Sincere sympathy Laverne and family.

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**Marilyn Dittmer** - May 21, 2025 at 03:25 PM

SF

“ Laverne, so sorry to hear of Jim's passing. It was always nice to see you guys. God Bless. Will pray for you. Sue and John Friedman

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**Sue Friedman** - May 21, 2025 at 12:40 PM

RE

“ *Jim was a terrific guy. Laverne, Kurt -- this is a terrible loss for you. Will hold you in prayer.*

Reen - May 21, 2025 at 10:28 AM

MM

“ *LaVerne sorry to hear of Jim passing. It was always so nice to see you two in church together. Condolences to you and family. God Bless you. Mary and Ed Merkley*

Mary Merkley - May 21, 2025 at 08:53 AM

DH

“ *So sorry to hear of Jim passing. Prayers for all*

Dave and Ann Hostetter - May 21, 2025 at 05:55 AM

JM

*Laverne. So sorry for your loss*

Julia Meyer - May 21, 2025 at 08:52 AM



“ *Our condolences and deepest sympathies to Lavern, Kurt, Mark and the entire family! Prayers!*

KurtMalana Hedinger - May 20, 2025 at 08:29 PM



“ A sympathy card was purchased for the family of James "Jim" R. Lechner.



May 20, 2025 at 04:25 PM



“ LaVerne, you and your family have my most sincere condolences.  
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Shaun Witte Skerbitz - May 20, 2025 at 03:45 PM



“ Giving my deepest sympathy to Laverne and her family.

Donna Mathies - May 20, 2025 at 12:33 PM



“ Jim was a great guy and he could always make us laugh . His laugh & personality were contagious and we are going to miss him. Sending love and prayers to LaVerne, Kurt, Jenny, Drake, Spencer, Bodie, Mark and Sherri. Duane and Jennifer



Duane Sermersheim - May 20, 2025 at 11:16 AM