



James Thomas Sharpe

March 3, 1953 - February 24, 2025

Livermore, ME - James Thomas Sharpe, 71, of Livermore, ME, passed away on February 24, 2025. Born on March 3, 1953, in Newark, NJ, James grew up in Matawan, NJ, before building a life filled with love, hard work, and friendship.

James spent his career as a conductor for Amtrak, guiding passengers safely along their journeys until his retirement in 2018. Upon retirement, James and his wife Polly moved to their favorite place in the world, Western Maine, where the landscape gave them endless adventures. He had a deep appreciation for the past, finding joy in classic cars and old movies—things that reminded him of a simpler time.

While his journey was not always easy, his heart was always in the right place. Throughout his life one thing remained unwavering: his love for his family. He was especially proud of his children and nine grandchildren, who brought him endless joy and whom he adored beyond measure.

James will be remembered for the kindness he showed, the stories he told, and the love he gave. His family and friends will forever hold onto the good memories, the laughter, and the time they shared.

James was predeceased by his father, James and his brothers William and Thomas.

James is survived by his loving mother, Mary of Hutchinson Island, FL, his wife of 25 years, Mary (Polly) of Livermore, ME, his son and daughter in law, Thomas and Jennifer of Manasquan, NJ, his son and daughter in law Patrick

and Shannon of Brielle, NJ, his step daughter Angela and her husband Sean Lane of Hazlet, NJ, his step daughter, Jennifer and her husband Jeff Rinkowski of Matawan, NJ, his sister and brother in law, Catherine and William Accordino of Manasquan, NJ, his sister and brother in law, Mary Diane and Dave Krause of Howell, NJ and his brother and sister in law, Charles and Kimberly Sharpe of Holmdel, NJ. James is also survived by his nine grandchildren: James, Thomas, Stephen, Sarah, Ryan, Summer, Sean, Aiden and Raina. James deeply cared for his nieces and nephews holding each of them close to his heart.

James is now at peace, and his loved ones take comfort in knowing his struggles are over.

A visitation will be held at St. Denis Church, 90 Union Ave in Manasquan, NJ on Saturday, March 1, 2025, starting at 11:30am with a funeral mass to follow at 12:00pm at St. Denis.

James had a love for animals, especially his goodest boy, Willie. So in lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in James's honor to: Saint Hubert's Animal Welfare Center in Madison, NJ: www.sthuberts.org, where James adopted Willie.

May James rest in peace, surrounded by the classic cars and old movies he loved.

Previous Events

Private Cremation

FEB 25 (ET)

Laurel Funeral Home
201 Laurel Ave
Hazlet Township, NJ 07734
(732) 787-0258

Memorial Gathering

MAR 1. 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Denis Church
90 Union Avenue
Manasquan, NJ

Memorial Mass

MAR 1. 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Denis Church
90 Union Avenue
Manasquan, NJ

Tribute Wall



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Thomas Sharpe.*



March 01, 2025 at 08:48 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Thomas Sharpe.

March 01, 2025 at 08:48 AM



“ *Our cousin Jimmy was the first born child on our side of the family. Jim was always someone we looked up to. He was smart, witty and kind. He had a knowledge of so many things, and conversations with Jim were never boring. My Mom and Dad were both lucky to have a special relationship with him, which they treasured. He traveled to Ireland with my Dad, which gave us comfort and Jimmy, some excitement. I am sorry we did not stay in close contact , but he was always in our thoughts and prayers. He will be missed.*
Johnny

John O Maguire - March 01, 2025 at 07:44 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Thomas Sharpe.



February 28, 2025 at 11:04 AM



“ With Our Deepest Sympathy! There are so many memories we shared with Jimmy! Memories of those we love who passed becomes Our treasures! Jimmy and his family are in our prayers and hearts!



Barbara and George Pent - February 27, 2025 at 07:34 PM



Our deepest condolences to the Sharpe family. We have so many fond memories of Jimmy that we cannot even to begin mention them all. One great memory was the time we all went up to Woodstock and Levon Helms Barn. Jimmy will be in our hearts forever. Rest in peace brother. Eddie and Barbara Black.



Ed Black - March 01, 2025 at 08:58 AM



“ Love, Tara, Ryan amd Cooper purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of James Thomas Sharpe.



Love, Tara, Ryan amd Cooper - February 27, 2025 at 07:06 PM

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“ *Florida Sharpe and Palmer Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of James Thomas Sharpe.*



Florida Sharpe and Palmer Family - February 27, 2025 at 03:20 PM

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“ *Nipoti & Shearer Families purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James Thomas Sharpe.*



Nipoti & Shearer Families - February 26, 2025 at 06:34 PM

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“ *Nipoti & Shearer Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Thomas Sharpe.*

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“ Our deepest condolences to the Sharpe family. Jimmy worked with my husband, Steve, at Amtrak. He and I will always treasure our memories with Jimmy and Polly, especially the times we had in Maine together. May your memories with Jimmy bring you comfort during this difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. 🙏



Dawn Cherry - February 26, 2025 at 05:34 PM