



## James "Jim" Sevier

December 11, 1944 - September 9, 2015

James Thomas "Jim" Sevier, age 70, of Knoxville, passed away late Wednesday afternoon, September 9, 2015, at his home in Knoxville.

Visitation will begin at 11:00 A.M., Monday, September 14, 2015 at the Winfield Funeral Home of Knoxville. Jim's family will be present at the funeral home from 5:00 to 8:00 P.M., Monday evening.

A funeral service will be held at 10:30 A.M., Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at the Winfield Funeral Home of Knoxville, with Pastor Brent Hanna officiating. Following services burial will be held at Graceland Cemetery of Knoxville.

He was born on December 11, 1944 in Milan, Missouri, to James Wilson "J.W." and Lucy Roberta (Collins) Sevier. Jim attended Walnut Grove Country School and later attended and graduated from Milan High School, Class of 1962. After high school Jim attended North East Missouri State Teachers College and he graduated with a degree in education in 1966. During Jim's teaching career he also obtained his masters degree in education and industrial Arts.

After Jim graduated from college he began teaching for the Twin Cedars Schools in September of 1966. He taught Industrial Arts at Twin Cedars for 37 years. Jim also co-owned and operated the Knoxville Car Wash for 36 years.

Jim was a longtime masonic Lodge member in Milan, Missouri and Jim had a talent and passion for cars, especially Ford Mustangs. He was also a member of the South Central Iowa Mustang Club. Jim enjoyed being outdoors and was an excellent yard keeper.

Jim is survived by his wife of almost 31 years Deborah Sevier of Knoxville; his children, grandchildren and great-grandchild: Lisa Curnes of Knoxville and her children Alex and Gabe; Jamie Prins of Phoenix, AZ and her children Carly and Cole; Stacie Spaur of Des Moines and her children Taylor, Nathan, Tristan and Taylor's child Koda; and Jason Sevier and his wife Meredith of Phoenix, AZ and their child Grant. Jim is also survived by his mother-in-law, Lavon Lanphier; one brother Gail Sevier and wife Alvina; one sister Barbara Johnson and husband Gordon; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded by his parents J.W. and Lucy Sevier.

A memorial in Jim's memory will be established by the family for the Twin Cedars Dollars for Scholars. Condolences may be sent to [www.winfieldfh.com](http://www.winfieldfh.com).

WINFIELD FUNERAL HOME ~ KNOXVILLE, IOWA

202 E. Washington Street

Leroy Winfield, Funeral Director 641-842-5126 [www.winfieldfh.com](http://www.winfieldfh.com)

# Events

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**SEP 14**   **Visitation**   11:00AM - 08:00PM

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Winfield Funeral Home  
202 Washington, Knoxville, IA, US, 50138

**SEP 15**   **Service**   10:30AM

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Winfield Funeral Home  
202 Washington, Knoxville, IA, US, 50138

# Comments

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“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Sevier.



September 15, 2015 at 10:50 AM

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“ Jim was a great friend and colleague at TC. He made a difference in the lives of students and adults he worked with. Deepest sympathy.  
Randy and Mary Podhaski

**randy podhaski** - September 14, 2015 at 08:26 PM

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“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Sevier.



September 14, 2015 at 06:54 PM

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“ Debbie, we are so sorry for your loss. We have fond memories of our time together in Hawaii. Our deepest sympathy. Keith and Jeanne Heimbuck

**Jeanne Heimbuck** - September 14, 2015 at 04:58 PM

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“ Richard, Becca, Pat and Mae (your neighbors on the farm) purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James "Jim" Sevier.



Richard, Becca, Pat and Mae (your neighbors on the farm) - September 14, 2015 at 03:56 PM

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“ I saw Jim's Obituary in the Sunday Register. Sorry to lose a fellow Industrial Arts Teacher, We both graduated from Northeast in the 1960's. I knew Jim had taught at Twin Cedars, had lost contact, even though we were only 30 miles apart. Prayers and sympathy to Debbie, Gail and the rest of the family. Gone to soon, rest in peace fellow Industrial arts Teacher.

Gordon Blacksmith  
NEMO '65  
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Gordon Blacksmith - September 14, 2015 at 01:44 PM

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“ Sorry for the lost to all that knew Mr. Sevier (Jim). He was a great teacher for all the subjects he taught. I will miss him at the car shows and for his knowledge. He was a good friend and will be missed very much.

Jeff Nace

Jeff Nace - September 14, 2015 at 12:37 PM

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“ Sorry to hear the loss of Jim, my thoughts & prayers are with you Gail & family, Barbara & family, & all of Jim's family.

Doug King - September 14, 2015 at 12:15 PM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Sevier.



September 14, 2015 at 10:13 AM

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“ Me. Sevier was a great shop teacher. I had a lot of fond memories being the only girl in drafting class he always looked out for me and let me get away with more than some of the others in class. He will be missed.



lori curry - September 13, 2015 at 07:29 PM

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“ Had the privilege of working with Jim at Twin Cedars. He was always someone you could speak with about anything. He had time for everyone. Will always be glad to have known him. He will be truly missed by his family and friends. Jim is one of those people I will always remember and be proud to have known. My prayers go out to Jim's family.

Stephen Gehling

stephen Gehling - September 13, 2015 at 07:11 PM

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“ Barbara sorry to hear of your brothers passing. Prayers for you and family. May God Bless each of you. Rita Mewmaw

Rita Mewmaw - September 13, 2015 at 10:08 AM

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“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Sevier.



September 12, 2015 at 07:04 PM

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“ I'll always remember Jim and Debbie in one of their Mustangs together and smiling. My most sincere condolences to Jim's family and all who knew him.

**Bob Conrad** - September 12, 2015 at 05:57 AM

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“ Rob Kendall lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Sevier



**Rob Kendall** - September 12, 2015 at 12:38 AM

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“ Jim was a master educator who I had the privilege and honor of working with during my early years as an administrator. Although he has been away from Twin Cedars for some time now, his name is still brought up often, clearly telling the story about the impact he had on people. I will miss having discussions from him, but assure you I will remember him forever.

Dave Roby

**Dave Roby** - September 11, 2015 at 10:24 PM

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“ Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Sevier.



September 11, 2015 at 10:15 PM

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“ Deb, Thinking of you and your family at this time. God Bless. Bill and Kandy Hardie

**Bill Hardie** - September 11, 2015 at 08:50 PM

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“ Our deepest sympathy Deb and the entire family. May the love of family and friends, all your memories of Jim and the love of the Lord grant you peace and comfort.

Jerri & Al Uitermarkt

**Al & Jerri Uitermarkt** - September 11, 2015 at 08:24 PM

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“ Our sympathy to Debbie and her family. May God grant comfort and strength.  
Casey & Diane Spaur



**Larry Spaur** - September 11, 2015 at 07:56 PM

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“ Danny, Darla Marsh & Family lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Sevier



Danny, Darla Marsh & Family - September 11, 2015 at 07:46 PM

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“ Jim was one of the best teachers I had the privilege of working with. Also, a good friend. I'm sorry to ssy I can't make the visitation or funeral. My deepest sympathy to Debbie & the entire family.

Oran teut - September 11, 2015 at 07:26 PM

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“ I remember Jim as a loving father and adoring grandfather.

Bonnie Lund - September 11, 2015 at 07:22 PM

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“ Debbie (& family),  
We were shocked and saddened to learn of Jim's sudden death.....our thoughts and prayers are with you and the rest of his family.  
Gwen & Gary Miller

Gwen Miller - September 11, 2015 at 06:56 PM

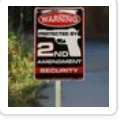
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“ Just would like to say that Mr. Sevier was one of the best teachers I had at Twin Cedars High School. He taught me so much about mechanical and carpentry which helped me succeed in life. He was a wonderful man and a great teacher. I will never forget him. It makes me sad to see a man leave this world at such a young age. But he will never be forgotten. Thank you Mr. Sevier with all you taught me. RIP, Dan Crews

Dan Crews - September 11, 2015 at 05:25 PM

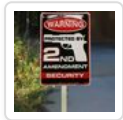
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“ Dan Toll lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Sevier



**Dan Toll** - September 11, 2015 at 05:25 PM



“ Our class was in 7th grade when Jim came to Twin Cedars, He did a lot of all of us through our time at TC and he continued to contribute to the school and the community his whole life, I guess God needed a Industrial Arts teacher in heaven.

**Dan** - September 11, 2015 at 05:31 PM



“ Jamie & Jason are my cousins My thoughts and Prayers are with them at this time God Bless!!

**Virginia Terris** - September 14, 2015 at 07:05 PM

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“ Paul & John Sherwood lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Sevier



**Paul & John Sherwood** - September 11, 2015 at 05:18 PM

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“ Ingrid Moss and Julie Rickert, VISN 23 PSAS purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of James "Jim" Sevier.



**Ingrid Moss and Julie Rickert, VISN 23 PSAS** - September 11, 2015 at 04:18 PM

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“ Kelly Knudson lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Sevier



**Kelly Knudson** - September 11, 2015 at 04:18 PM

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“ My deepest sympathies to Debbie and family. May you find peace and comfort in each and every memory.



**Megan & Ryan Neville** - September 11, 2015 at 04:10 PM

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“ Julie Lambirth lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Sevier



**Julie Lambirth** - September 11, 2015 at 03:31 PM

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“ Heather (Marconi) Huyck lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Sevier



**Heather (Marconi) Huyck** - September 11, 2015 at 03:27 PM

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“ RosieReid lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Sevier



**RosieReid** - September 11, 2015 at 03:02 PM