

Trooper James Lee Rosser (1949-2020)

Jim was born May 24, 1949 in Oneida, Tennessee to James Edward and Zona Evelyn (Smith) Rosser. His father brought the family to Amelia, Ohio. By 1968, Jim was working in a machine shop.



Jim joined the Ohio State Highway Patrol as a Cadet. He graduated from the 89th Highway Patrol Academy on January 22, 1971 and was promoted to Trooper and assigned to Hamilton Post 9. He transferred to the Lebanon Post in 1992 as part of the Traffic Drug Interdiction Team (TDIT). During 1997 he returned to the Hamilton Post. During his career he earned a Certificate of Recognition in 1986, an ACE Award in 1989, and a safe driving award. His peers considered him a trooper's trooper. He was always the first backup to arrive when help was called for or to just assist with a complicated scene. Trooper Rosser retired May 3, 1999 with 28 years of service.

Trooper Rosser was also a carpenter off duty and shared his skills with fellow troopers.

Trooper Rosser died on Sunday, September 27, 2020 at the age of 71.

He was predeceased by his stepson, Jeremy Trent (2014). Trooper Rosser is survived by his wife of 39 years, Brenda Rosser; daughter Dawn (Dan) Hounshell, grandchildren, Jared, Regan, Tucker Hounshell and Matthew Mitchell; daughter, Shaye (John) Wynn; granddaughter Alexis; son, Jason (Jeannie) Rosser; grandsons, Quinton and Jake; and sisters, Vicki (Joseph) Boyko and Rosonna Garcia.

Visitation will be held 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, October 2, 2020 at Anderson Funeral Home at 1357 East Second Street in Franklin. A funeral service will follow at 1 p.m. with Gordon Moore officiating.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice Care of Middletown, 4418 Lewis St., Suite B, Middletown, OH 45044.