



Jay J. Tilkens

March 20, 1946 - October 27, 2021

On Wednesday, October 27, 2021, Jay J. Tilkens passed away at the age of 75. Jay was born on March 20, 1946, in Green Bay, Wisconsin to the late Eben and Olive Tilkens. He was the youngest of five children, his three brothers preceded him in death and his sister is currently living in Wisconsin. Jay is survived by his loving wife, Shirley, and his children, Shelley and Shawn. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Randi, Paige, Cyndee, Izik, and Kaycie.

Jay joined the U.S. Air Force and was stationed to Colorado where he met his wife, Shirley. They began a life together and after 20 years of military service, he retired and started his new career as a teacher. He loved to share knowledge with anyone who would take the time to learn. Jay always said, "No question is ever stupid". He was one of those people that everyone loved. Jay was a funny man too and had a joke for every situation. He was a true diehard Green Bay Packers fan and the only thing he loved more was his family.

A Rosary will be held on Saturday, November 6, 2021 at 12:00 PM at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Chama, Colorado. A Funeral Service will follow at 12:30 PM also at the Immaculate Conception Church in Chama, Colorado. Interment will be held at the Chama Cemetery. To leave online condolences please visit romerofuneralhomes.com. The care of arrangements has been entrusted to Romero Funeral Home of Alamosa.

Cemetery Details

Chama Cemetery

Previous Events

A Vigil Service with Recitation of the Rosary

NOV 6. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM.

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

A Mass of the Resurrection

NOV 6. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM.

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

Tribute Wall



“ Jay J. Tilkins

January 29, 2023 at 07:44 AM



“ Heartfelt condolences to the Tilkins family on their loss. I got to know Jay as our son and daughter attended Sierra HS with his son and daughter. I would meet and talk with him at many sports events. He was a jovial good guy and I truly enjoyed knowing him. May he Rest In Peace. As a Veteran rest Assured he is Never Forgotten. Al Cordova & Family

Al Cordova & Family - November 13, 2021 at 10:11 AM



Thank you . The Tilkens Family

Shirley Tilkens - November 05, 2022 at 10:06 AM



It's been a long year without you. We miss and love you very much. Your in our thoughts and prayers. I love you with all my heart . May you Rest in Peace. God Bless you my Love.

Shirley Tilkens - November 05, 2022 at 10:15 AM



Merry Christmas Love!!!

Shirley Tilkens - December 22, 2022 at 11:42 AM



Hi my love. We are in a new year wow 2024. Time just goes on, It's been two years and 4 months that you've been gone.

Angel Wings - February 23, 2024 at 01:23 PM



Morning my Love. Happy Birthday!!!!

Angel Wings - March 20, 2024 at 09:13 AM



Morning my love, another day, another year has passed and time still goes on. I miss and love you so much.

Angel Wings - May 15, 2025 at 09:03 AM