



## James Stuart Koen

June 22, 1942 - June 3, 2024

James Stuart Koen, 81, of Pueblo, Colorado, passed away the evening of Monday, June 3, 2024. Jim was born on June 22, 1942 to Edward and Rosemary in Pueblo and grew up on Orman Avenue in the Bessemer area. He worked at the Colorado State Hospital for 33 years and retired as an HVAC technician. Jim enjoyed fishing, fast cars, all racing events, Corvettes, Star Trek, both The Beatles and The Rolling Stones, and spending time with his family. He absolutely loved his grandchildren and was very proud of them. There wasn't anything that he couldn't fix, and he was known to help many frantic friends and family members put together toys on Christmas Eve. He was also the go-to guy for fixing the neighborhood kid's bicycles. In 1963, he met the love of his life, Carolyn, while cruising Main Street. They got married in August 1964 and almost made it to their 60th wedding anniversary. During their life together, they built a fun and adventurous life with numerous stories. Jim and Carolyn enjoyed driving to Cripple Creek with the Romero's to play the slots. They have happy memories of spending time with the Campbells, and there were yearly Memorial Day weekend camping trips in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains with the Pavlik's. Jim, Carolyn, Rick, and Wendy were always having a good time going to watch Sonny play in bars. "Stones!" Jim is preceded in death by his parents Edward Koen and Rosemary Zupancic, brothers Charles and William, his sister Emma Jean, his in-laws Lewis and Mary Theis, brother-in-law Carl Theis, and nephew Shawn Theis. He is survived by his loving wife, Carolyn, daughter Jalyn (Brian) Robinson and son

James (Ela), grandson Gavin Koen and granddaughter Badyn Robinson. He is also survived by his stepbrother George (Darlene) Combs and stepsister Rose (Larry) Childress, both of Ohio, sister-in-law Sally Hastings, of California, brother-in-law Sonny Theis, of Pueblo and many dearly loved nieces, nephews, and cousins.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JUN 14. 11:00 AM (MT)

Roselawn Funeral Home Chapel  
1706 Roselawn Rd  
Pueblo, CO 81006

# Tribute Wall

BP

“ I was fortunate enough to grow up down the street from Jim, Carolyn, Jalyn and Jimmy. We were more like family than friends. One of my favorite memories of Jim -

*Occasionally, we would watch Sonny play music with his band in Jim and Carolyn's garage. I remember the feeling like it was yesterday. Sonny shedding on his guitar! It was awesome! It was inspirational!*

*One day after Sonny's band played, Jim noticed Jaylyn, Jimmy and I rocking out in the back yard playing our air guitars. We were doing our best rock band imitation. So Jim decided to go to work. He took some plywood and cut out several full sized guitars, beautifully painted them and strung them up with some fishing line for strings. I believe there was even an old circular saw blade attached for extra affect. These looked just like real warlock guitars.*

*We all felt like real rock stars with our new guitars. It was so thoughtful of him to do that. I remember seeing the smile on his face watching us jam on our new warlock guitar. Thanks Jim.*

*I have many great memories of Jim and the Koen family. Thank you all for sharing your lives with us.*

*Brett*

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**Brett Pavlik** - June 13, 2024 at 03:55 PM

BM

“ *Barbara Matuzak lit a candle in memory of James Stuart Koen*



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**Barbara Matuzak** - June 13, 2024 at 12:58 AM

MM

“ Rest In Peace, dear Jim. I know you as a true friend, a benevolent individual, who always held out a helping hand to someone in need. One of my special memories was watching you become quite emotional at your surprise birthday party at Jay Martin's home. That's when myself, & Mike, Leslie & Jay, Rick & Wendy, and you and Carolyn all lived within a 3 block radius of one another. Your emotion touched me deeply as I could see how much this birthday bash meant to you. My God, we all had so much fun. Lots of BBQ's, holiday celebrations (dancing to the Rolling Stones at midnight on Christmas Eve), birthdays, all the while sharing a comfortable, enjoyable, fun and serious at times friendship. Carolyn, Jalyn, Jimmy, you are in heart and my thoughts. Love to you all. Wishing you peace and loving memories.  
Miriam McCray

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Miriam McCray - June 11, 2024 at 07:31 PM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of James Stuart Koen.



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June 11, 2024 at 02:22 PM

LK

“ Love, Kay, Alicia, Robert & Carrie Koen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Stuart Koen.

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Love, Kay, Alicia, Robert & Carrie Koen - June 11, 2024 at 02:22 PM

WL

“ We are sorry to hear of your loss. Our prayers are with you and yours. We know he will be deeply missed.

*Sincere Sympathy  
Wayne and Candace Latka*

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**Wayne Latka** - June 08, 2024 at 01:19 PM

RC

“ From: Rose and Larry Childress planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Stuart Koen.

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**Rose and Larry Childress** - June 08, 2024 at 08:24 AM

RC

“ Rose and Larry Childress purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of James Stuart Koen.



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**Rose and Larry Childress** - June 08, 2024 at 08:24 AM

RC

“ Sending you love and strength during this heartbreaking time. Jimmy was a wonderful person, an awesome dad and husband, and a great example to all those who knew him. Our heartfelt condolences to Carolyn and the entire family. You are in our thoughts and prayers. Rose and Larry Childress

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**Rose and Larry Childress** - June 07, 2024 at 10:10 PM



“ 15 files added to the album *Memories Album*



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**Roselawn Funeral Home & Cemetery** - June 07, 2024 at 07:59 PM

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**bob bernard** - March 31 at 12:31 AM