



## James Charles Leager

May 31, 1947 - May 22, 2020

On Friday, May 22, 2020, James Charles Leager, loving husband, father of two children, and grandfather of six grandchildren, passed away at his home at the age of 72.

He was born on May 31, 1947 in Chestertown, MD, and a graduate of the Class of 1965 from Centreville High School.

Jimmy or Jim, as most knew him by, was a caring and witty man, who usually spoke very few words.

In 1964 he married the love of his life, Kay Towers. They would go on to have two children. He started farming at an early age on a family farm, working with dairy cows and crops. At the age of 18, he started grain farming a neighboring property and never looked back. Through good times and bad, his passion for farming would never go away.

Hunting was a favorite hobby. His true love was hunting Canadian geese and would go on to start a guiding business with Walter Denny. He made several lasting friendships from it, especially “the” Virginia Gang. The “Virginia Boys” would become part of his extended family.

He enjoyed horseback riding, tractor pulls, family gatherings, picnics and

fishing trips. He loved to give combined rides to the grandchildren along with many others. For a man that loved to have both feet on the ground, he eventually found a new passion in flying with Rob Bedell.

He is survived by his loving wife, Kay Towers Leager of 56 years; his two children, Bobbi (William) Knight and Charles (Dawn) Leager; and his six grandchildren, Ashton Hickman, Kaylyn (Joshua) Lambert, Jacob (Logan Corder), Jenna Leager (Alex Sweitzer) Jillian & Jolie Leager.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations in his honor to Queen Anne's FFA, Queen Anne's County High School, 125 Ruthsburg Road, Centreville, Maryland 21617, Attn: Brian Stokes.

# Tribute Wall



“ *James Charles Leager*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *James Charles Leager*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *James Charles Leager*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *So sorry to hear about your father. My sincere condolences.*



**Dani Woodhurst** - July 04, 2020 at 09:18 AM

VK

“ *Kaye and Family,*

*Jack asked me to send this to you in memory of Jimmy!*

*Jim, I will miss your friendship and always enjoyed our visits at the farm during milking time. Even though we did not see each other, you have always remained in my mind and heart. So sorry that other things got in the way of seeing each other. Vicki and I would have loved to have spent some time with you and Kaye. I know Vicki often talked about getting together with Kaye. I hope they find the time together.*

*Kaye, We were so sorry and surprised to hear about Jimmy's passing. We know he will be greatly missed by your family and many, many friends plus others. Take care of yourself and I agree with Jack, we need to get together sometime soon. I will be in touch and see if we can work out a time. Know you have been in our thoughts and prayers!*

*Vicki & Jack*

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**Vicki and Jack King** - June 26, 2020 at 06:55 PM



LC

“ *Loretta Cudnik lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



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**Loretta Cudnik** - June 08, 2020 at 09:55 AM

LC

*Kaye and family, I am so sorry to hear about Jimmy. He is included in almost all of my memories from Price Church but I especially remember him during the play we all performed in at the Church Hill theatre. Great guy. My sympathy and prayers to you md may he rest in peace. Loretta*

**Loretta Cudnik** - June 08, 2020 at 10:58 AM

MH

“ *Our hearts go out to you at this sad time. You will have so many wonderful memories of Jimmy. May God Bless you and give you comfort. He loves you. Blessings, Martha & Royce Herman*



**Martha & Royce Herman** - June 05, 2020 at 05:18 PM

SH

“ *Thoughts and prayers for you and your family. Paul and Sharon Roberts*

**Sharon** - June 01, 2020 at 05:10 AM

JF

*The entire family is in our thoughts and prayers.*

**Joe Branham family** - June 03, 2020 at 07:17 AM

TS

“ *Tim And Esther Blackiston, Sudlersville sent a virtual gift in memory of James Charles Leager*



**Tim and Esther Blackiston, Sudlersville** - May 31, 2020 at 05:43 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of James Charles Leager.*



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May 31, 2020 at 12:51 PM



“ *Kaye my deepest sympathy go out to you and your family. Jimmy was a much loved man. I'm praying for God to provide peace and comfort as you go through this difficult time. Love Wanda Collier*

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**wanda Collier** - May 31, 2020 at 09:17 AM



“ *Billy and Jenny Shortall purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of James Charles Leager.*



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**Billy and Jenny Shortall** - May 29, 2020 at 10:06 AM



“ *Tammy Parker lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



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**tammy parker** - May 28, 2020 at 04:26 PM

MM

“ Mike And Debbie Maloney lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager



Mike and Debbie Maloney - May 28, 2020 at 07:57 AM

MM

Warm thoughts and prayers to you all. We will truly miss Jimmy.

Mike and Debbie Maloney - May 28, 2020 at 07:59 AM

PB

“ Kay, Thinking of you and remembering you in our prayers. Allen & Peggy Bennett

Peggy Bennett - May 27, 2020 at 09:34 AM

DU

“ He will be missed I have good memories of him and his family prayers for all



donna usilton - May 27, 2020 at 08:01 AM

LS

“ Lawrence Schelts lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager



lawrence schelts - May 26, 2020 at 09:56 PM

RF

“ *Very sorry for your loss. Everyone is in our thoughts and prayers*



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**Ray & Nancy Lane and Family** - May 26, 2020 at 08:33 PM

PB

“ *To Kay and family. With deepest sympathy. He was truly one of my best and longest friends. He will be missed by many.*  
*Pete Brown*



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**Pete Brown** - May 26, 2020 at 06:11 PM

BM

“ *Sending prayers to Kay and the family. So sorry for your loss.*

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**Bobby and Nancy Morris** - May 26, 2020 at 04:36 PM

BH

“ *Brenda Hahn lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



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**Brenda Hahn** - May 26, 2020 at 11:46 AM

LP

“ *Sincere Condolences to all the Leager family.*



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**Lisa Plummer** - May 26, 2020 at 10:37 AM

MG

“ *Margaret Ann Gretzinger lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



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**Margaret Ann Gretzinger** - May 26, 2020 at 10:16 AM

AU

“ *Kay, I,am so sorry too hear of the lost of your Husband, I didn,t knowkay called me and told me about this. May God be with you in this difficult time, and his angels. My prayers are with you and your family. Love Alice Wood Uhler.*

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**Alice Ann Wood Uhler** - May 26, 2020 at 08:55 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories Album*



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - May 26, 2020 at 08:41 AM

GC

*How precious. Love this picture. God Bless.*

**Gene and Lynda Palmatary, Centreville** - May 26, 2020 at 09:04 PM

JB

“ *Jim Bostic lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



**Jim Bostic** - May 26, 2020 at 08:34 AM

DR

“ *Dee Rhodes lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



**Dee Rhodes** - May 26, 2020 at 08:16 AM

CB

“ *Carol Bennett lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



**Carol Bennett** - May 26, 2020 at 07:44 AM

MB

“ *Kay, Charlie, Bobbie and families*  
*Queen Anne’s County has lost another gentleman farmer. Mr. Jimmy was our neighbor for many years. He was the first person to take me horseback riding. He was soft spoken but could pull out a real zinger when needed. He hosted the annual hunters breakfast at his shop last fall. We will all treasure that memory. Kay you have always been there for our family in our times of need, now it is time for others to take care of you. Do not hesitate to call us if you need anything. Our sincerest sympathy to all of you.*  
*Mary, Phil and PJ*

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**Mary Brown** - May 26, 2020 at 05:38 AM

FL

“ *Frankie And Cathy Legg lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



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**Frankie and Cathy Legg** - May 25, 2020 at 09:29 PM

EL

“ *Edgar & Nancy Legg lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



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**Edgar & Nancy Legg** - May 25, 2020 at 09:25 PM

CG

“ *Our Deepest Condolences to Jimmy's family, he will be truly missed.*



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**Clint and Gale Gardner** - May 25, 2020 at 08:06 PM

TL

“ *Tom And LuAnn Lumsden lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



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**Tom and LuAnn Lumsden** - May 25, 2020 at 08:06 PM

MF

“ *Marty Freeman lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



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**Marty Freeman** - May 25, 2020 at 07:49 PM

VM

“ *Vivian, Don McClyment lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



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**Vivian, Don McClyment** - May 25, 2020 at 01:25 PM

BT

“ *Betsy Dulin Truitt lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



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**Betsy Dulin Truitt** - May 25, 2020 at 12:14 PM

NB

“ *Deepest Sympathy for your loss, ((John) Norma Boone and family*

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**Norma Lee Boone** - May 25, 2020 at 11:02 AM

KB

“ *Mrs. Kay, we are very sorry for your loss. Mr. Jimmy will be missed dearly. Sincerely, The Brown Family*



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**Kelly Brown** - May 25, 2020 at 10:22 AM

CC

“ *Cindy Cronshaw lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



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**Cindy Cronshaw** - May 25, 2020 at 09:22 AM

JD

“ Janet Dean lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager



Janet Dean - May 24, 2020 at 10:13 PM

BA

“ Barbara Allen lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager



Barbara Allen - May 24, 2020 at 09:39 PM

BA

Albert and Barbara Allen sending thoughts and prayers for the family of James Leager. So very sorry for your loss.

Barbara Allen - May 24, 2020 at 09:41 PM

RW

“ Raph And April Whaley lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager



Raph and April Whaley - May 24, 2020 at 07:17 PM

DG

“ Dave Griffin lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager



Dave Griffin - May 24, 2020 at 06:39 PM

EM

“ Eddie & Tina Moaney lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager



Eddie & Tina Moaney - May 24, 2020 at 05:54 PM

EM

“ Eddie And Tina Moaney lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager



Eddie and Tina Moaney - May 24, 2020 at 05:53 PM

MS

“ Mary Anne Spencer sent a virtual gift in memory of James Charles Leager



Mary Anne Spencer - May 24, 2020 at 05:26 PM

LK

“ *Leslie Kelbaugh lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



Leslie Kelbaugh - May 24, 2020 at 02:42 PM

JC

“ *June Clark lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



June Clark - May 24, 2020 at 02:34 PM

SH

“ *So sorry to hear about your loss Kay. Keeping you and the family in prayer.*  
*Sandy Hartmann*



Sandy Hartmann - May 24, 2020 at 02:13 PM

FP

“ *Frank & Tish Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of James Charles Leager*



Frank & Tish Palmatary - May 24, 2020 at 01:39 PM

C1

“ CHS Class Of 1966 sent a virtual gift in memory of James Charles Leager



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**CHS Class of 1966** - May 24, 2020 at 01:38 PM

FT

“ Frankie Todd lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager



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**Frankie Todd** - May 24, 2020 at 01:08 PM

SU

“ Suzanne lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager



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**Suzanne** - May 24, 2020 at 10:08 AM

BB

“ Barney And Kaye Barnes lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager



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**Barney and Kaye Barnes** - May 24, 2020 at 08:06 AM

TM

“ *Tina Trice Mayr lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



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**Tina Trice Mayr** - May 24, 2020 at 07:22 AM

MA

“ *Martha Anthony lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



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**martha anthony** - May 23, 2020 at 11:41 PM

JS

“ *Raised a glass of scotch to toast your memories tonight Jimmy. Kay and family, condolences for your loss.*

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**Jon Shaw** - May 23, 2020 at 10:37 PM

RS

“ *Ronnie Shortall lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



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**Ronnie Shortall** - May 23, 2020 at 09:13 PM

JP

“ Janet Pauls lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager



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Janet pauls - May 23, 2020 at 08:51 PM

KS

“ Kathy Spry lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager



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Kathy Spry - May 23, 2020 at 08:41 PM

JP

“ With our heartfelt sympathy to Kay and family from the CHS class of 1965.



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joan pinder - May 23, 2020 at 08:38 PM

BH

“ Billy & Dorothy Hollingsworth lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager



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Billy & Dorothy Hollingsworth - May 23, 2020 at 07:08 PM

JP

“ *John And Phyllis Perkins lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



John and Phyllis Perkins - May 23, 2020 at 06:32 PM

JE

“ *Jim And Mary Ann Edwards sent a virtual gift in memory of James Charles Leager*



Jim and Mary Ann Edwards - May 23, 2020 at 06:13 PM

KC

“ *Thoughts and prayers with you and your family.*



Kay Councill - May 23, 2020 at 05:58 PM

GC

“ *Gene And Lynda Palmatary, Centreville sent a virtual gift in memory of James Charles Leager*



Gene and Lynda Palmatary, Centreville - May 23, 2020 at 02:57 PM

GC

*Kay and family: We are saddened to hear of Jimmy's passing. After talking so much with you these past two weeks, I know It didn't sound too good. Our prayers and blessings are with you and your family. Jimmy will be missed in the farming community and he will surely be doing some farming in heaven. God bless all of you at this time. Luv ya, Gene and Lynda Palmatary*

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**Gene and Lynda Palmatary, Centreville** - May 23, 2020 at 03:01 PM

GM

“ *Growmark FS-Sudlersville, MD lit a candle in memory of James Charles Leager*



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**Growmark FS-Sudlersville, MD** - May 23, 2020 at 02:50 PM