



Jay W. Colwell

July 26, 1957 - September 6, 2022

JAY W. COLWELL

Jay W. Colwell, 65, of Great Bend Township, PA, entered into rest on September 6, 2022. He was predeceased by his father, Merle Colwell and his sister, Sandra Colwell Fairbrother.

Jay is survived by his mother, Jean Colwell; his children, Tim (Missy) Colwell, Jim (Sally) Colwell; and Greg Colwell (Joyce); eight grandchildren, Ethan and McKenna, Chloe and Chase, Jack, Dominick, Annie, and Gracie; siblings, Donna Colwell (Bob), Elly (Mark) Kotar, Sarah (Guy) Park, and Eileen (Jon) Jones; 2 aunts; one uncle; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Jay graduated from Windsor High School in 1975. He worked the first half of his career on the family farm with his parents. From the farm, he later went to work for PennDOT, using the skills he learned on the farm working with machinery in a variety of positions. He had a strong sense of community and volunteered with the Great Bend Fire Department for many years, among many other organizations. Jay was generous with his friendship, knowledge, and time, always helped others before himself. The family farm, was his entire life, his passion, the gathering place for family and friends, and our true home.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Monday, September 12, 2022 at the United Methodist Community Church, Great Bend, PA. Interment will be made in the South Windsor Cemetery. Friends may call on Sunday from 2-4 and 6-8 p.m. at the Tuttle-Yeisley Funeral Home, Inc., Hallstead, PA. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to the Great Bend Hose Co. No. 1, 54

Tannery Street, Great Bend, PA 18821

Cemetery Details

South Windsor Cemetery

Windsor, NY 13865

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 11. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Tuttle-Yeisley Funeral Home, Inc.
25 Susquehanna Ave.
P.O. Box 936
Hallstead, PA 18822
(570) 879-2287
ayeisley@gmail.com

Visitation

SEP 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Tuttle-Yeisley Funeral Home, Inc.
25 Susquehanna Ave.
P.O. Box 936
Hallstead, PA 18822
(570) 879-2287
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Service

SEP **12**. 11:00 AM (ET)

United Methodist Community Church
406 Main St.
PO Box 586
Great Bend, PA 18821
<http://umcc.us/>

Tribute Wall

HP

“ My condolences to the Colwell family. Jay was such a great person, his family and the farm were the world to him. I have known him since 2009 and my heart is broken, RIP Jay 💔. I love you. My song to him was "one of the good ones"....Helena



Helena Pierce - September 17, 2022 at 10:04 AM

RF

“ Jay will be missed dearly! I remember his wife Sue was friends with my sister. Rest In Peace and keep smiling.

Resseguie family - September 12, 2022 at 12:22 PM

ML

“ Our sincere condolences to Jay’s family, thoughts are with you during this difficult time. Jay was a great man and will be dearly missed by so many. He was a very kind and outgoing person, one couldn’t help but talk to him. To be in any sort of situation with Jay it was guaranteed by the end you were going to leave a new friend he was just a charismatic guy! Always a smile, a friendly word.

Thank you for being a friend, for helping to me through Essentials & Hazmat (hahahaha!), and always having that smile even when I had my RBF! We will miss you!! Rest In Peace Jay, we’ll take it from here.

~ Melissa Lankford & Kids



Melissa Lankford - September 11, 2022 at 03:15 AM

TM

I always enjoyed talking to him at union meetings and the picnic

timothy melycher - September 12, 2022 at 11:50 AM

TF

“ *The Palmatier family purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Lavender and White for the family of Jay W. Colwell.*



The Palmatier family - September 10, 2022 at 11:46 AM

DE

“ We would like to extend our Condolences to all the Family and friends, we are Sorry for Your Loss. May He R.I.P. Sincerely, Jane and Dennis McNamara

Dennis - September 09, 2022 at 09:23 AM

LB

I am sorry very sorry . I know he will be greatly miss.❤️

Laurie Bliss - September 09, 2022 at 09:29 AM



“ White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Jay W. Colwell.



September 09, 2022 at 09:07 AM

AN

“ My sincerest of condolences to your family



Anna - September 09, 2022 at 07:59 AM



“ I am so sorry for your family's loss of Jay. My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Angie Joines

Angie Joines - September 09, 2022 at 06:54 AM

DW

“ Dear Colwell Family,

My heart truly hurts for you all in your time of loss. Growing up with and going to college with Greg I got the honor to meet Jay a few times. He was very helpful to me when I was away at school. As I notice most say about him, he always had a smile on his face. My prayers and thoughts are with his family and friends during this difficult time. May God rest his soul and give comfort to all that knew and loved him.



Derrick Warner - September 09, 2022 at 06:53 AM

TH

“ *I am so very sorry for the loss of Jay. He was a wonderful man. Always had a smile and great conversations. My son was lucky to grow up with Jay's boys, and my heart goes out to them and the rest of the family. Rest in peace Jay.*

Tracy Haley - September 09, 2022 at 04:10 AM

ED

“ *My deepest sympathy in the loss of your beloved Jay. Prayers to comfort all the Colwell family!*



Esther Davis - September 08, 2022 at 11:55 PM

WM

“ Wendy Mastenbrook lit a candle in memory of Jay W. Colwell



Wendy Mastenbrook - September 08, 2022 at 11:07 PM

CA

“ We will never forget Jay our trips to the farm show the fairs, and all our other excursions his stories and just the conversations he was a great man always had a smile on his face he knew how to put a smile on everybody else's face he will deeply be missed rest in peace Jay till we see each other again



carrie - September 08, 2022 at 09:15 PM

MK

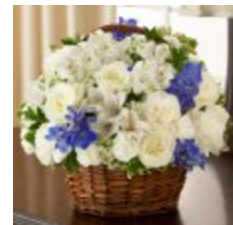
“ I will miss seeing Jay working the farm as i drive by with my school bus ,always a wave and a big smile on his face. I would stop once in awhile and chat a minute. RIP.Prayers

to his family.Mary Kenyon

Mary Kenyon - September 08, 2022 at 08:20 PM



“ Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Jay W. Colwell.



September 08, 2022 at 07:47 PM



“ *Springtime Wishes was purchased for the family of Jay W. Colwell.*



September 08, 2022 at 06:01 PM



“ *I only knew Jay for a few years. One of the first things I noticed about this kind man was how much love he showed his family. My deepest condolences. He will be sorely missed.*



Chris - September 08, 2022 at 05:39 PM



Condolences to Jays family such a nice guy, he will surly be missed. Always seemed to have a smile. Sincerely Karen Sinnett

Karen Sinnett - September 08, 2022 at 06:20 PM



“ *Doreen Moat lit a candle in memory of Jay W. Colwell*



Doreen Moat - September 08, 2022 at 04:56 PM

LB

“ *One of the kindest, nicest guy i ever met prayers to his family Jay always had a smile on his face*



Lisa Beach - September 08, 2022 at 04:39 PM

AM

“ *Remember the good times and the love that your dad shined on everyone he met! As we were little children, we went to church together, 4-H together, and always as we grew he has a wonderful boy and grew to be a wonderful man. I will always remember his smile! Prayers go out to you and your families to hold on to the love he showed you! Love April* 💕

April mroz - September 08, 2022 at 03:59 PM

KD

We never saw Jay without a smile on his face, so saddened for your loss. Such a nice and helpful guy, he will be missed. Prayers for comfort to you all. Love, Ted and Karen DeMartino

Karen DeMartino - September 08, 2022 at 05:38 PM

DE

“ *My sincerest of condolences to your family. Thanks for being a part of my life.*



Deb - September 08, 2022 at 03:45 PM

CB

“ Cheryl Barnhart lit a candle in memory of Jay W. Colwell



Cheryl Barnhart - September 08, 2022 at 03:41 PM



“ I am so so sorry to hear about your loss. In my thoughts and prayers ,

Mary Oliver - September 08, 2022 at 03:37 PM

JA

“ My heart goes out to the family many prayers . will miss him not coming too my farm and sitting on the porch and telling many stories of both farms ..RIP

Joan Axtell - September 08, 2022 at 03:31 PM



“ Many prayers and condolences to the families and his dear mom, G-Jean. I will miss our text visits that weekly exchanged family times, histories, and great events. Rest in the Glory & We will one day again share the stories as we stroll down old Glory. Cousin Tom Hall of Binghamton

Thomas Hall - September 08, 2022 at 02:55 PM

MM

“ *Marsha Morrison lit a candle in memory of Jay W. Colwell*



Marsha Morrison - September 08, 2022 at 02:41 PM



“ *Tim, Jimmy, and Greg. I am so sorry for your loss. Your Dad was such a nice man. I am thinking of you all.*
Denise (Clapper) Kittle

Denise Kittle - September 08, 2022 at 02:35 PM

KW

“ *Jean and family, Ken, and I send sincere condolences. Bless you, all in your time of grief.*



Ken and Pat Worden - September 08, 2022 at 02:34 PM

TH

“ *So sorry for the families loss.*



Trudy Henry - September 08, 2022 at 02:21 PM

HF

“ *Hillard Family lit a candle in memory of Jay W. Colwell*



Hillard Family - September 08, 2022 at 01:55 PM

AF

“ *Dear Tim, Jim , Greg , Mrs. Colwell & family,*

The Brothers and Sisters of AFSCME Local #2144 would like to extend our most sincere condolences to you all at this time of great sorrow and loss.

May Jay be received in the loving and merciful arms of Jesus and taken to the room that He has prepared for him.

We at PENNDOT are suffering such a loss as well, Jay was a large attribute to our facility. Rest in sweet peace Jay. Amen.

AFSCME Local #2144

PENNDOT 0450 SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY



AFSCME - September 08, 2022 at 01:05 PM

PK

May Jay rest in Peace as his family and friends miss him. You will be missed by many.

Pat Collins Kammerer - September 09, 2022 at 03:09 PM