



## James Richard Steele

March 9, 1934 - June 18, 2017

James Richard Steele, age 83 of Bloomington passed away at his residence Sunday, June 18, 2017. He was born in Monroe County on March 9, 1934 to Ralph G. and Louise M. Clines Steele.

James was a 1953 graduate of Bloomington High School and worked in sales in the chemical industry for Drummond until his retirement. He was a member of the B.P.O.E. in Bloomington and was an active member of the Republican Party in Monroe County.

He leaves behind his wife of nearly 65 years Sarah Frances Cummings Steele of Bloomington, children Lou Ann Steele of Arizona, Richard Anthony Steele and wife Ginny of Springville, Susan Patrice Steele of Ellettsville; grandchildren Tonya Beck and husband Aaron of Loogootee, Shannon Lewis and husband Sam of North Carolina, Stephanie Baker and husband Phillip of Chandler, Indiana, Jonathan Henry Anderson of Ellettsville, Dustin Hawkins of Bloomfield; great grandchildren Andrea Gress and husband Chase, Tre Blanton, Andrew and Abigail Lewis, Mackenzie Hagar, Madison, Jasmine, and Desiree Baker and Caleb Beck. Also surviving are great great grandson Jackson Gress, siblings Larry Steele and wife Nina of Bloomington, and Pat Elo of Illinois. He was predeceased by his parents and son Jeffrey Lane Steele.

A Memorial Gathering to Celebrate James' life will be held from 4:00PM until 8:00PM on Wednesday June 21, 2017 at Allen Funeral Home and Crematory 4155 South Old State Road 37.

Online condolences, photos and memories may be shared with family and friends at [www.allencares.com](http://www.allencares.com).

# Tribute Wall

BD

“ So sorry to hear about our neighbor "Dick" Steele. He helped both of our sons in their teenage years by allowing them to earn a few dollars mowing his lawn or shoveling his driveway. We also appreciated his presence at the voting centers on election day.

Barbara Dill - June 30, 2017 at 01:58 PM

SH

“ Jerry I did not know your brother, but hid face is known to , so sorry for you and his families. My the Lord place His hands on your family to sooth you sorrow, love Susie

Susie Hamilton - June 24, 2017 at 02:37 PM



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Denise Jolly - June 21, 2017 at 05:03 PM

JB

“ Condolences to "Sally" Steele and her family in the loss of her husband. May GOD be with you in this time of stress and comfort you and your family during the coming years.

Janet [Evans] Branam - June 21, 2017 at 02:27 PM

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“ *Christina Velasquez sent a virtual gift in memory of James Richard Steele*



Christina Velasquez - June 21, 2017 at 12:10 PM

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“ *Christina Velasquez lit a candle in memory of James Richard Steele*



Christina Velasquez - June 21, 2017 at 12:08 PM



“ *Denise Jolly lit a candle in memory of James Richard Steele*



Denise Jolly - June 21, 2017 at 02:51 AM



*We will miss you love you Uncle Dick Love you Denise Jolly*

Denise Jolly - June 21, 2017 at 02:52 AM



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Denise Jolly - June 21, 2017 at 02:50 AM

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“ *Ted Bradshaw lit a candle in memory of James Richard Steele*



Ted Bradshaw - June 20, 2017 at 07:14 PM

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“ *Lou Ann Steele lit a candle in memory of James Richard Steele*



Lou Ann Steele - June 20, 2017 at 02:08 PM

AJ

“ *Angela Jewell lit a candle in memory of James Richard Steele*



Angela Jewell - June 20, 2017 at 09:21 AM