



James Joseph O'Brien Jr.

October 11, 1945 - April 12, 2024

Napa — James Joseph “J.J.” O’Brien Jr., 78, passed away on April 12, 2024, in Napa, California. He was born on October 11, 1945, in Napa. J.J. served in the California Army National Guard from 1966 to 1981 and dedicated over 31 years of his life as a Motor Officer for the California Highway Patrol from 1967 to 1998. His commitment to service extended beyond his military and law enforcement careers as he also worked at the Napa Post Office.

J.J. was a devoted outdoorsman who found solace in hunting, fishing, and diving. His passion for the outdoors was evident in the legendary weekend wild game (Roadkill) BBQs he hosted, where he generously shared his bounty of Venison, Elk, Moose, Wild Boar, Salmon, and Abalone with friends and family.

He will be deeply missed by his beloved wife of over 39 years, Lisa O’Brien; sister and brother-in-law, William Dugan & Patricia (O’Brien) Dugan; sons James Joseph O’Brien III, Kevin Michael O’Brien, Sean Michael O’Brien, Kyle Thomas O’Brien; granddaughters Kiera, Sloane, and Fallon O’Brien; grandsons Ronan and Hunter O’Brien; numerous nieces, nephews and many cousins. J.J. was preceded in death by his parents, James Joseph O’Brien Sr. and Thelma M. (Biale) O’Brien.

J.J.’s life will be honored at a service at St. Apollinaris Catholic Church 3700

Lassen Street, Napa,

CA 94558 on Tuesday April 30th starting at 10:00am with the Rosary, followed by Mass at 11:00.

There will be a Reception held following the Mass. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the CHP 11-99 Foundation (<https://chp11-99.org/>). The Claffey & Rota Funeral Home in Napa, California, is assisting the family with arrangements. J.J. will be remembered for his dedication to his community, his love of the outdoors, and the joy he brought to those around him through his kindness and generosity.

Cemetery Details

Tulocay Cemetery

411 Coombsville Rd
Napa, CA 94558

Previous Events

Rosary

APR 30. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

St. Apollinaris Catholic Church
3700 Lassen St
Napa, CA 94558
(707) 257-2555

Mass

APR 30. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

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Burial

APR 30. 12:30 PM - 1:00 PM (PT)

Tulocay Cemetery
411 Coombsville Rd
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Tribute Wall

BM

“ *It has been 2 years now. I miss you every day. You taught me so much about life. I know you are in Heaven watching over. To Sir With Love.*

Brenda Marie Miller A8200

brenda marie miller - April 12 at 03:38 AM

MS

“ *Mark Sooy purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of James Joseph O'Brien Jr..*



Mark Sooy - April 23, 2024 at 06:43 PM

RM

“ *I had the pleasure of working with Jim at the San Francisco Office for many years. He was a distinguished motor rider and fine Officer whom I respected very much.*

Sincere condolences to Lisa and the O'Brien family.

God speed Jim,

Ron Maher

Ron Maher - April 20, 2024 at 10:05 PM

BK

“ *Bill Mulcrevy and Dave Krueger purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of James Joseph O'Brien Jr..*



Bill Mulcrevy and Dave Krueger - April 19, 2024 at 03:41 PM

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“ *Bill Mulcrevy and Dave Krueger planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Joseph O'Brien.*

Bill Mulcrevy and Dave Krueger - April 19, 2024 at 03:41 PM