



James R. Eaker

March 1, 1946 - June 8, 2026

James R. Eaker, age 80, of Curllsville, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family early Monday morning, June 8, 2026, in the comfort of his own home following a brief illness.

He was born on March 1, 1946, at home in Sligo. James was the last surviving sibling among five children of the late Charles F. and Clara M. Over Eaker.

He graduated from Clarion Area High School and attended Diesel Technology School in Williamsport.

James married Darlene M. Young, and they shared many wonderful years together until her passing on March 12, 2025.

He enlisted in the United States Army in 1965 during the Vietnam War and proudly served until his honorable discharge in 1967.

James then hauled coal for Jesse Buzzard Trucking most of his life until he retired.

He was an avid tractor enthusiast and enjoyed attending tractor shows and tractor pulls at the local fairs.

James leaves behind his son, Jeremiah Eaker and his wife, Jessica, of New Bethlehem; four grandchildren, James Eaker and his girlfriend, Somer Best, of Rimersburg, Nicholas Eaker of New Bethlehem, Trinity Weckerly of Miola, and Bobbi Weckerly of New Bethlehem; and two great-grandchildren, Beau and Walker.

In addition to his parents and wife, he was preceded in death by his sister,

Carla R. Schladoer, and two brothers, Charles L. "John" Eaker and Thomas E. Eaker.

Family and friends will be received from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday, June 12, 2026, at the Robert V. Burns Funeral Home in Clarion, where military honors will be accorded at 4 p.m. by the American Legion Post #066 of Clarion. Interment will be private.

Upcoming Events

Viewing

JUN 12. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Robert V. Burns Funeral Home
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Military Service

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