



## James F. Tomazic

July 30, 1943 - December 13, 2023

James F. Tomazic, age 80, of Lorain, Ohio, passed away on the morning of Wednesday, December 13, 2023. Jim was born in Lorain on July 30, 1943. He attended primary school at Ss. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church School. He went on to graduate from Lorain High School with the 1961-B class and earned admittance into the Lorain Sports Hall of Fame (2013) as a lineman with the 1959 Lorain High Football Team.

Jim volunteered to serve in the United States Marine Corps where he worked as a Radar Technician with duty in the Pacific and Caribbean. He attained the rank of corporal (E4), earned a First Award Sharpshooter's Badge, and received the Good Conduct Medal. After his discharge in 1964, Jim enrolled at Ohio University where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering (1972).

Jim explored a number of career and business opportunities settled into work as a union electrician. He worked for several local electric supply and repair companies as well as several local chapters of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers union. He was a long-time member of the IBEW before retiring in 2008. Jim enjoyed reading, researching current affairs, exercise, and travel. After his retirement, he hiked sections of the Appalachian Trail, cycled, walked, and traveled the United States and Europe.

Jim was a devoted father who stayed active and engaged in the lives of his two children. He coached their little league teams and participated in school groups and PTAs, including the West Point Parents' Club. He regularly visited his children when they lived in different states and countries as adults.

Jim is survived by his children Dr. Jessica C. Tomazic, M.D. (Brian M. Wahl) of Carlisle Township and Christopher J. Tomazic (Dr. Susan M. Lyons) of Cincinnati. He also leaves grandchildren (Christopher) Adella R. and Raven J.; sisters Dolores Kovach (Joseph) of Wakeman and Marian Montalto of Fort Worth, TX; friend and former wife Kathleen A. Carrero and her daughter Rosalie A. Carrero, both of Lorain; and many nieces and nephews.

Jim was preceded in death by his mother Jennie T. Tomazic (nee Trenta), father Rudolph A. Tomazic, step-mother Sue D. Tomazic (nee Reber), and step-brother Jack Urbanic of Isle of Palms, SC.

Visitation will be Tuesday, December 26th from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel (3224 Broadway Avenue, Lorain). Funeral services will be Wednesday, December 27th at 9:30 a.m. with closing prayers offered in the funeral chapel. A Christian Mass will follow at 10:00 a.m. in St. Mary's Catholic Church (corner of West 8th Street & Reid Avenue) with Reverend Gerald J. Keller presiding. Burial with military honors will take place on December 28th at 10:45 a.m. in the Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery in Seville, Ohio.

In lieu of flowers, the family encourages donations in Jim's memory to the Lorain County Metro Parks and the Lorain Public Library. A memorial bench will be established for Jim at Lakeside Landing in Lorain, Ohio.

# Cemetery Details

## Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery

10175 Rawiga Rd  
Seville, OH 44273  
<https://cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/ohiowesternreserve.asp>

## Previous Events

### Visitation

DEC **26**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel  
3224 Broadway  
Lorain, OH 44055  
(440) 246-2118  
[gluvnashimohromada@gmail.com](mailto:gluvnashimohromada@gmail.com)  
<http://www.gluvnashimohromada.com>

### Funeral Mass

DEC **27**. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (ET)

St Mary Catholic Church  
310 8th St  
Lorain, OH 44052  
<https://lorainstmarychurch.org/>

### Interment

DEC **28**. 10:45 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery  
10175 Rawiga Rd  
Seville, OH 44273  
<https://cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/ohiowesternreserve.asp>

# Tribute Wall

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“ I always looked up to Jim growing up in Lorain. He was an older cousin and followed him later in my life in playing high school football and eventually enlisting in the service. He always had a lot of guiding words for me in both of these endeavors. He truly lived by the words “Semper Fi”. God bless you Jim. You will be missed. Your cousin, Jerry

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**jerry zgonc** - December 26, 2023 at 03:24 PM

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“ Jim was the best kind of friend that anyone could have or hope for. Loyal, dependable, generous, thoughtful, fun loving, and kind.

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**Tim Traxler** - December 22, 2023 at 04:20 PM

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*Had the pleasure of knowing Jim for a long time seeing him now and again and catching up about our life's journey. Always a pleasure to talk with. He will be missed. My condolences to the family.*

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**James Ilcisko** - December 26, 2023 at 09:15 AM