



Jay Michael Slavin

May 16, 1951 - February 8, 2026

Jay Michael Slavin, age 74, of Presque Isle and Plymouth, Michigan, passed away on February 8, 2026.

He was the beloved husband of Janice for more than 45 years. He was the loving father of Scott (Amber) and Garrett, and step-grandfather to Mila Phillips.

Jay is survived by his siblings Sheryl (Karen), Robert (Mary Kay), James (Delena), Shawn (Cindy), Barbara (Robert), and Ryan. He was preceded in death by his parents, Barbara Ann Guck and Robert F. Slavin.

Jay was born on May 16, 1951 at Grace Hospital in Detroit, Michigan. He graduated from Garden City High School in 1969. He enlisted in the United States Army, in 1970, and served as a Military Policeman in Frankfurt Germany. Upon receiving an honorable discharge, Jay returned to school/work and eventually graduated from Richardson University with a BS.

Jay had many different types of jobs during his career. He worked as a fence builder, as a supervisor at a Group Home, owned a Home Inspection franchise, as a programmer, and eventually became VP of Product Development and Innovation at FiServ.

Jay had many hobbies and interests. He was a talented woodworker and relief carver. He enjoyed boating, hunting, and milling wood. He was a very hard worker and enjoyed keeping busy.

Visitation will be held Saturday, February 28, from 10:30 am-12:30 pm. Immediately followed by a Memorial Service at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Road West (between Sheldon and Beck), Plymouth. The service will be livestreamed and can be accessed on this site under Jay's Tribute Wall during the time of the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation, 2361 Hylan Boulevard, Staten Island, NY 10306, or to Disabled American Veterans, Attn: DAV Tribute Gift, P.O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45250-0301.

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Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **28**. 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home Plymouth
46401 Ann Arbor Road West
Plymouth, MI 48170
(734) 459-2250
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Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Vermeulen Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Jay Michael Slavin



Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home - February 27 at 04:44 PM

KN

“ It was always such a joy to work with Mr. Jay and Miss Jan on 11E. Although he was the patient, he was always concerned for and caring towards his nurses. We enjoyed many laughs and stories together, and I will always remember you both. I miss him much, already. Kobi

Kobi N - March 01 at 09:12 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Jay Michael Slavin.



February 27 at 04:50 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jay Michael Slavin.

February 27 at 04:50 PM

TF

“ *The Bacyinski family purchased the Serene Retre at for the family of Jay Michael Slavin.*



The Bacyinski family - February 27 at 04:31 PM

MF

“ *Mark F. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jay Michael Slavin.*

Mark F. - February 27 at 06:08 AM

KL

“ *Keith, Shawna, Emmayn and Lincoln purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Jay Michael Slavin.*



Keith, Shawna, Emmayn and Lincoln - February 26 at 05:58 PM

KL

“ *Keith, Shawna, Emmayn and Lincoln planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jay Michael Slavin.*

Keith, Shawna, Emmayn and Lincoln - February 26 at 05:58 PM

FE

“ *From Jeff and Kerry Erion purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Jay Michael Slavin.*



From Jeff and Kerry Erion - February 26 at 10:46 AM

LV

“ Jan, Scott and Garrett and family,
I send my deepest sympathy to you all. Jay and I met in the late 1980's at Citicorp. Jay was a programmer and I was a software conversion analyst/coordinator so we worked on many projects together. Many long hours, weekends and holidays together. I was always happy when we were assigned to the same projects. I knew our project would go well. He was a great analyst and did what ever it took to get the job done and accurately. Very hard worker. He was well respected by our employees, management team and our clients loved him. Jay sense of humor was amazing and he loved to laugh and have fun, especially if at my expense. On a personal level, we shared many of the same hobbies, love for hunting/fishing and anything outdoors, specifically northern Michigan. And our birthdays were just days apart and we celebrated a few mile stone birthdays through the years. Jay has been a wonderful friend to me well into our retirement years. I will never forget the caring and loving kindness he gave me. Twice in my lifetime, cancer put my life at risk and Jay was there for me throughout, in weekly calls, texts, and visits. Anything he could do to encourage and lift ones spirits. I do not believe in coincidences in God's world and believe that the people in our lives are part of God's plan. My life has been so richly Blessed because Jay was my friend. He's first priority was family and he loved you all including his fur babies. It has been my privilege to also know Jan, Scott and Garrett. Jay will be missed but not forgotten. I pray you will be Blessed with comfort, strength, wonderful memories and peace. Thank you God for the gift of Jay to brighten our lives.
In His love, Lynn and Bob Vollmar.



Lynn Vollmar - February 25 at 01:49 PM



“ *Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Jay Michael Slavin.*



February 23 at 05:17 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jay Michael Slavin.

February 23 at 05:17 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Jay Michael Slavin.*



February 23 at 05:10 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jay Michael Slavin.

February 23 at 05:10 PM



“ *Jim &. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jay Michael Slavin.*

Jim &. - February 23 at 09:59 AM

TF

“ *The Balcom Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Jay Michael Slavin.*



The Balcom Family - February 23 at 09:51 AM

TF

“ *The Balcom Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jay Michael Slavin.*

The Balcom Family - February 23 at 09:51 AM

NC

“ *I will miss you. From, Nami*



Nami Carter - February 22 at 04:36 PM

JL

“ *Jan, Scott, Garrett and extended family:
My sincerest sympathy to all the family. I've been a long time friend of Jay's since high school. Great guy, great family man - good person all around and a good friend. He will be greatly missed.
Love,
Jackie Laura*

Jackie Laura - February 22 at 01:40 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Jay Michael Slavin.*



February 22 at 01:32 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Jay Michael Slavin.

February 22 at 01:32 PM



“ *Kimberley K. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Jay Michael Slavin.*

Kimberley K. - February 22 at 12:05 PM



“ *Marge purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Jay Michael Slavin.*



Marge - February 22 at 11:45 AM

TD

“ *Jan, Scott and Garrett*

So sorry about your loss. Jay will be greatly missed by all his family. Being his youngest cousin, i have very few memories of him in my younger years since he was 14 years older then myself. (He would be mad that i pointed that out) but later in my teenage years he was very much a roll model to me. He was the ultimate teaser, always looking for a way to get a dig in. I often tried but could never match him in that. I remember when Grandma Guck lived with us, he would always call every Sunday night to talk to her. She always enjoyed his talks and he would make her laugh with the incredible laugh that she had. Later in my adult years Jay would reach out to me with a phone call or a quick text to see what was going on. Don't think I ever told him thank you for that, but thank you Jay it meant a lot to me. You were a great role model, and someone i looked up to my whole life. Jay was my Godfather and he would jokingly point out that he didn't have much hope for me in the after life. Rest in peace Jay. Enjoy your rest and save a spot for all of us for that one day we see each other again.

Thom

Thom and Doriann - February 17 at 04:44 PM

KR

“ *Jan, Scott, and Garrett —*

Holding all of you close in our thoughts during this heartbreaking time.

Jay was a fantastic cousin — full of fun, kindness, and the kind of steady presence that made him a role model to all his nieces and nephews. His spirit, his humor, and his love for his family will never be forgotten.

You will be deeply missed, Jay. May you rest in peace.

Kevin and Diane

Kevin and Diane Rice - February 17 at 03:54 PM