

James Gustave Cotterman

July 2, 1970 – April 28, 2015

Funeral services for James Gustave “Jim” Cotterman, 44, were held on Saturday, May 2 at the First Christian Church in Wheatland with Pastor Jason Iacovetto of the Wheatland Bible Church officiating.

Jim Cotterman of Wheatland passed away on Tuesday, Apr. 28 unexpectedly. He suffered a heart attack while working on his tree farm in Wisconsin...his favorite place in the world. The perfect expression of Jim's faith was the miraculous process of planting a seed in the ground, and knowing that with his care it would produce good fruit. He never lost the wonder of that simple truth.

Jim was born in Elkhorn, Wis. on July 12, 1970 the son of Brian David and Marion G. (Meister) Cotterman. He graduated from Wheatland High School in 1988 and continued on to receive a Bachelor of Science from The University of Wyoming.

Jim was married to Audrey Dawn Dawson on May 15, 1993. The pair was blessed with two beautiful children, Dillon and Rett. Jim remained a loving husband and father to the end.

Jim started his working career as an Industrial Arts teacher in Rock Springs in 1993 and Lincoln Middle School in Green River. He then worked as a Supervisor for Sweetwater County Weed and Pest in Farson where he resided with his family until 2008, when the family relocated to Wheatland. Jim was currently employed at Platte County Weed & Pest.

Jim poured himself into his children, never missing the opportunity to share his love for the outdoors with them. He lived to fish and hunt. Any chance he had to combine his love of family with the love of the outdoors was a perfect day.



Jim never tired of it! In addition to his outdoor skills, Jim was a master carpenter who could build anything. Any idea that his friends and family could dream up, he could make better than the original vision, from goat cart to dining room table.

Jim is survived by wife, Audrey; daughter, Rett; son, Dillon; Dillon's fiancé, Ellen McCallister all of Wheatland; mother, Marion Cotterman-Minne of Sundance; brother, Paul Cotterman and his wife, Tina of Minneapolis, Minn.; nieces,

Rachel, Wendy, Bella, Abby, and Lilly; nephews, Sawyer, Emmett, Gabe, Caleb, David, Billy Jo, and Johnny; and many other family and friends

Jim was preceded in death by his father, Brian Cotterman, on Jan. 23, 2011.

Serving as pallbearers will be Ryan Amundson, Martin Hicks, Chadd Hartwigg, Mark Huffstetler, E.J. Dawson, Mike Christinck, Kelly Simonton, and Mark Koenen.

Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Brad Profaizer, Harvey Dalton, Dustin Eaton, Chuck Svoboda, Kevin Meister, Isaac Orozco, Marcos Orozco, Layne Eike, and Jim's many family and friends

A memorial fund has been created for the Cotterman family. Donations may be made at the First State Bank, P.O. Box 39, Wheatland, WY 82201.

The family of Jim wishes to thank the Rosholt Fire Department/EMS and first responders from the Wisconsin Lion's Camp for your efforts and diligent care of our loved one.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gorman Funeral Homes – Platte Chapel of Wheatland.

Condolences may be left for the family at www.gormanfh.com