



## James Willard "Moose" Spaulding

February 24, 1944 - May 29, 2022

JW died May 29, 2022 doing what he loved, riding his motorcycle. JW was born in Des Moines on February 24, 1944 to Ruth and Willard Spaulding. He grew up in Des Moines, graduating from Des Moines Tech High School. In 1986, JW moved to Sioux City and eventually Jefferson, SD. Even though he moved from Des Moines, JW still had his roots in Des Moines with his club brothers.

Throughout his life, JW "Moose" lived the life most could only dream or read about, doing what he loved, building and riding choppers. His passion for choppers led him to be a founding member of the Des Moines Charter of the El Forastero Motorcycle Club 55 years ago, and later, in 1986, a member of the Sioux City Charter. Often imitated, but never to be duplicated, his impact and contribution to motorcycle culture can be seen around the world.

JW is survived by his wife of 36 years, Patty Coons; daughters, Kim (Roger) Henning, Marie Allen; grandson, Josh (Vanessa) Morton; granddaughter, Courtney Henning; great grandson, Ares Morton; brother, Phillip Poppino and his brothers from the El Forastero and Galloping Goose Motorcycle Clubs.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a son, Jeff Spaulding and grandson, Tyler Henning.

Funeral services will be 1 PM Saturday, June 11th, 2022 at the Avenue of the Saints Amphitheater with visitation beginning at 11 AM until service time. Cremation will follow services. A memorial service will be in Sioux City, IA at a later date. Memorial Contributions may be made to the El Forastero Motorcycle Club in loving memory of Moose.

Flower deliveries may be sent to the Avenue of the Saints Amphitheater, 3357 St Charles Road, St Charles, IA.

As Moose would say, "You Snooze You Lose"

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life Visitation

JUN 11. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Avenue of the Saints Amphitheater  
3357 St Charles Road  
St Charles, IA 50240

## Celebration of Life Service

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# Tribute Wall

TR

“ *R.I.P. Uncle Moose.  
I'm so thankful for the memories!* ”



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**Teri Robertson** - June 10, 2022 at 07:10 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the  
family of James Willard "Moose" Spaulding.* ”



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June 09, 2022 at 09:43 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the  
family of James Willard "Moose" Spaulding.* ”



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June 08, 2022 at 05:39 PM

SK

“ *Soldiers for Jesus MC - Kansas purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of James Willard "Moose" Spaulding.*



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**Soldiers for Jesus MC - Kansas** - June 07, 2022 at 05:25 PM

TR

“ *I couldn't have been prouder, the night Uncle Moose re-signed the "You Snooze Ya Loose" poster for me...40 some years after he had given it to Dad. A memory I'll cherish forever!  
R.I.P. Love, Teri*♥



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**Teri Robertson** - June 07, 2022 at 04:16 AM

LB

“ *Love and respect, NOLA Brothers purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of James Willard "Moose" Spaulding.*



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**Love and respect, NOLA Brothers** - June 06, 2022 at 04:32 PM

JN

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Jes Neal - June 05, 2022 at 02:23 AM

JN

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Jes Neal - June 05, 2022 at 02:19 AM

JN

“ R.I.P Moose you will be dearly missed by so many. Here's a memory of Moose helping his club brother Jeff Neal chop his bike. Moose had a pretty accurate thumb. It helped keep the bikes he chopped straight and built to last. Moose will always be a Chopper Legend! Moose feel the wind on your ride to the heavenly sky above. You Snooze You Lose ~MOOSE~



Jes Neal - June 05, 2022 at 02:16 AM

RS

“ I remember when Cousin Jim would come down and visit Grandma Spickard and I would get a chance to visit with him. You will be missed by the girls Spickard cousins.

Ruth Ann

Rosa Lee

Mary Frances

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Ruth A. Shipps - June 04, 2022 at 01:24 PM

TR

“ Uncle Jim, you were always bigger than life and I'll never forget that infectious laugh! Love & miss you, Teri



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Teri Robertson - June 03, 2022 at 02:23 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James Willard "Moose" Spaulding.



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June 01, 2022 at 10:25 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of James Willard "Moose" Spaulding.



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June 01, 2022 at 02:10 AM



“ *My deepest sympathy goes to the family of Moose. He was a nice man and would help anyone if he could. I'm going to miss you my friend*  
*Love Peach*

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**Holly Merrifield** - May 31, 2022 at 05:24 PM

PA

*My 1st brother in law I loved so much Ill never forget you moose. I remember several times bunch of El Forasteros coming to my ball games or going to the club with moose so cool , Great group of guys . RIP moose ,love you ,*

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**Paulette** - June 01, 2022 at 09:08 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James Willard "Moose" Spaulding.*



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May 31, 2022 at 11:49 AM

TA

“ *Moose you were looked up to by everyone that ever met you. And I gaurantee everyone that knew you learned something from you. It's been an honor calling you my brother and a privilege calling you my friend. Thank you for both of those things, I'll miss your laugh. Taz*  
*GGMC/KC*

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**Taz** - May 30, 2022 at 07:10 PM