



## Mr. James M. Gates

August 23, 1952 - April 11, 2020

James M. Gates unexpectedly passed away on 4-11-2020. He is survived by his wife of 47 years, Jane. His son Jeffery (Jody), daughters Jennifer Gates, and Julie Seale. Grandchildren Ryan and Justin Kurtz, Sullivan Gates, Cullen, Maddison, and Colton Seale, he is also survived by many brothers, sister, brother & sister in laws, nieces, and nephews.

Jim was a kind and loving husband, father, and grandfather as well as a friend to many. He was a lifelong resident of Hilton, a community that he loved. Jim worked for the Building and Grounds for the HCSD for 37 years. Jim also served his community for 49 years as a member of the Hilton Fire Department, serving as Chief of the Department from 1987 to 1989. Jim has spent the last 24 years serving as a Village Board Trustee. He will be missed by many.

A celebration of life will be set for a later date. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to the Hilton Fire Department attn. Bernard G. Whelehan Memorial Scholarship Fund. Expressions of condolence at [HopewellFuneral.com](http://HopewellFuneral.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Jane...We were shocked to hear about Jim. Please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. We've certainly had many good times over the years. :) Jim will be truly missed by many.*

*Rita and Dick Keaney*

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**Rita Kearney** - April 19, 2020 at 01:39 PM