



James F. "Big O" Oliphant

October 23, 1957 - May 21, 2012

James F. "Big O" Oliphant, 54, of Bloomfield, passed away at 3:05 a.m. Monday, May 21, 2012 at his residence.

Born October 23, 1957 in Linton, he was the son of Elmer Van and Marquita (Fox) Oliphant.

Jim started work for the Bloomfield State Bank in 1980. He was the South Branch Manager at the time of his passing. He was a member of the Bloomfield First Christian Church, served on the Bloomfield Town Board for 5 1/2 years, the Greene County Council for 12 years and the Greene County General Hospital Board of Directors for 12 years. He was a member of the Bloomfield Lions Club for over 30 years.

Surviving relatives include: his wife, Karen S. Oliphant of Bloomfield; two sons, Owen Neil Oliphant and Joel B. Oliphant both of Bloomfield; one daughter, Jaimie Spicer of Bloomfield; his mother, Marquita Oliphant of Bloomfield; one sister, Connie Anderson of Bloomfield; one brother, Scott Oliphant of Bloomfield; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father, Elmer Van Oliphant and one brother, William C. "Bill" Oliphant.

Funeral services will be conducted at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 26, 2012 at Jenkins & Sons Funeral Home in Bloomfield, with Rev. Jim Roach officiating. Interment will follow in Walnut Grove cemetery in rural Bloomfield. Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. on Friday and 1 hour prior to services Saturday at the funeral home.

The family asks that all memorial contributions be made to the donor's favorite charity.

Online condolences to the family are available at www.jenkinsfuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall

CF

“ Our sincere condolences on the loss of such a wonderful caring man. May the Lord uplift you and give you grace and mercy through your time of grief. Praying for you all!

Clapp family - May 26, 2012 at 07:37 PM

JW

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Jim's family. Jim was a very kind and friendly classmate and man. He will be missed by many.

John Wheelock - May 26, 2012 at 02:05 PM

RL

“ To Jim's Wife, family and Mother: Big "O" was one of the first young men we met as we moved into the Presbyterian Manse. He was Rob's age and they were in shcool together. Several other young men helped Sue and I move in after which Sue cooked several Pizzas and Jim devoured one all by himself. On Christmas Big O, dressed as Santa met me on the Square in B'fld and hugged me hard and lifted me off my feet. I don't think I will ever forget Big O and look forward to seeing him again in the Presence of our Lord, Jesus. Many blessings to all as you grieve and then rejoice.

Rev. Bob & Sue Lorimer - May 25, 2012 at 11:30 PM

DF

“ To the Oliphant family we are sorry for your loss. We sure miss his smiling face and gentel heart. We all knew and loved "Big O" he sure was one of a kind he always smiled and would stop to tell you hello or ask you how your day was going when you went into the bank. He sure loved his kids and talked about the often. God bless you all and may god get you threw this hard time.

Derouin Family - May 25, 2012 at 08:57 PM

TM

“ We prayed for the big "O's" recovery and return to good health to the very end, but we guess that God had other plans...the "Big O" will be missed by us and we're sure he will be missed by the whole community...we areB sorry for your loss and please accept our sincere condolences. the Kienzynski's Len, Terrisa and Misty

the Kienzynski's, Len, Terrisa & Misty - May 25, 2012 at 01:53 PM

KW

“ Marquita and family, We are so very, very sad to hear about Jim. I was thinking of him the other day and how he was as a child, all of us growing up together on Mechanic Street. You are in our hearts and we send our love to you.

Kay and Jim Wright Kaiser, Ike and Rosemary Wright - May 25, 2012 at 08:07 AM

JR

“ Big O was a great guy and friend he will be sadly missed.

Jerry Rowe - May 24, 2012 at 05:03 PM

AR

“ To Karen and Family, This was sad news to hear. Big O served his community well for many years and he will be missed and remembered. So sorry for your loss.

Anna Rochelle - May 24, 2012 at 02:10 PM

CC

“ Karen, Jamie and Family,
You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Cheryl Cochran - May 24, 2012 at 01:05 PM

VH

“ Bloomfield Iga girls real miss him. He come in the store all the time. We are sorry for his wife and family for they lost and we will we will keep them in oure prayer.

Valerie Herbst - May 23, 2012 at 03:46 PM

BF

“ Karen, Scott, Connie, Joel and Neil so very sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers to you all.

Bryan and Cheri Cox and Family - May 23, 2012 at 03:34 PM

TW

“ Thoughts and prayers are with all the family and friends during this difficult time. Always a pleasure to see "Big O" smiling face at the South branch, he will be missed by many. May God Bless all of you!!!!

Terri Wilson - May 23, 2012 at 08:45 AM

TN

“ To the family of Big O.... I am so sorry for your loss. He was truly a good man. I was fortunate to be able to work for Big O at the bank and he was such a good boss to have. He was always smiling and you couldn't help but have a good time at work. Going to the bank will never be the same without him there. God Bless your family and I hope that you find peace and healing during this difficult time. Terri Neighbors and family.

Terri Neighbors - May 22, 2012 at 10:00 PM

TF

“ Neil and Joel,
For some moments in life there are no words. Thinking of you at this
difficult time.
Jack, Lynn, Zev and Holden

The Hamm- Johnson Family - May 22, 2012 at 07:36 PM

LB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time
and the days ahead.H Jim always had a smile on his face and he
spoke everytime we saw him.

Larry and Beverly Burris - May 22, 2012 at 12:28 PM

SS

“ Karen and Neil, Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Scott and Bonnie Swaby - May 22, 2012 at 11:42 AM

SA

“ Thoughts and prayers for his family. So sad and so sorry to hear
this. He was always so nice and cheerful every time I saw him.
Especially praying for his boys Neil and Joel.

Sara - May 21, 2012 at 09:10 PM

FS

“ My prayer's are with the Family of Jim. I remember him as a
classmate that always had a smile on his face and was kind to
everyone. God Bless....
Fawn

Fawn (Lents) Stoner - May 21, 2012 at 08:19 PM

RH

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. He always had a smile on his face and always made us laugh. He will truly be missed by many.*

Robert & Becky Henry - May 21, 2012 at 07:53 PM

MS

“ *Jim will be missed and our prayers go out to his family at this sad time. Rick & Marilyn Sheetz*

Marilyn Oliphant Sheetz - May 21, 2012 at 07:50 PM

CS

“ *This is someone who will be missed! Jim was a fine person with a big heart! My prayers go to all of the family, especially Marquita, Karen, Scott, and Connie.*

Carolyn Oliphant Suniga - May 21, 2012 at 07:31 PM

FW

“ *Scott, so sorry of your brothers passing. you and family have my symathy.*

floella walters - May 21, 2012 at 05:39 PM

DT

“ *On behalf of the members and friends of the First Presbyterian Church of Bloomfield, I extend our heartfelt prayers of condolence to the Olyphant family. May the light of our Lord's resurrection abide with you all.*

Dr. Murray Joseph Thompson - May 21, 2012 at 05:22 PM

DA

“ So sorry to hear this. Big O was a very special person. I worked for him at the Newberry Branch. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Darlene Arney - May 21, 2012 at 05:07 PM

RC

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. May God's love wrap you in comfort. I'm sure that Big O is being greeted with a chorus of "well done good and faithful servant!"

Rachel, Curtis & Jamison Crabb - May 21, 2012 at 04:08 PM

JC

“ I am very sorry for your loss. Big "O" was a very special person and will be missed by many. You and his family are in my thoughts and prayers. I will always remember him as a kind person who always put a smile on my face(:

jo ann carmichael - May 21, 2012 at 03:46 PM

KM

“ Connie - I am so sorry for your loss. You are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Katrina Michael - May 21, 2012 at 02:39 PM