



## James B. Bornt

December 18, 1946 - March 14, 2016

James B. Bornt, 69, of Elmwood Avenue Extension, Gloversville died Monday morning March 14, 2016 at Nathan Littauer Hospital.

He was born in Gloversville on December 18, 1946 a son of Arthur and Helen Lake Bornt and was a 1965 graduate of Broadalbin High School. Jim was a lifelong area resident. Mr. Bornt and his brothers have owned and operated Bornt Waste & Metal in Gloversville since 1966 and it remains family operated today.

He was a member of the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Gloversville.

Jim was a member of the Pine Tree Rifle Club. He belonged to several area bowling leagues and was also involved in area country bands for several years. Jim was an amazing bass player and he enjoyed music. He was a hard worker and loved his family deeply. Jim loved people and he was forever performing acts of kindness to help anyone in need.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by several brothers and sisters, his mother- and father-in-law, and a brother-in-law.

Survivors include his wife, Janet Masten Bornt, whom he married on August 22, 1987; a daughter, Crystal Bornt of Tribes Hill; a step-daughter, Jenny Compagnino of Gloversville; two brothers, Richard Bornt and John Bornt, Sr., both of Gloversville; brothers- and – sisters in law, James (Judy) Masten, Patricia Masten, Charles Masten, and Beth Klena; four grandchildren; six great grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. Funeral services will be held Thursday at 11 am at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 12 James Street Gloverville with Rev. Peter Ellis, officiating. Burial will take place at a later date in Broadalbin-Mayfield Rural Cemetery. Calling hours will be held on Wednesday from 4 – 7 pm at the Robert M. Halgas Funeral Home, Inc. 111 County Highway 106 (Corner of Route 29 & Black Street) Johnstown. Memorial contributions may be made to Emmanuel Baptist Church or to the American Cancer Society, both in care of the funeral home.

# Previous Events

## Calling Hours

MAR **16.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Halgas Funeral Home  
111 County Highway 106  
Johnstown, NY 12095  
(518) 883-5323  
debbie@halgasfuneralhome.com  
<https://www.halgasfuneralhome.com/>

## Service

MAR **17.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Emmanuel Baptist Church  
12 James Street  
Gloversville, NY 12078

# Tribute Wall

SB

“ I talked to Jim on the phone several times. A very personable man. We talked like we new each other. He and Jan swapped some family lore and pictures with me. He loved talking about his gun collection. Rest well my fellow Bornt, wish I had known you sooner.  
Samuel Bornt

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**Sam Bornt** - June 10, 2019 at 05:56 PM

MK

“ Although our paths seldom crossed over the past 50 years since growing up together and being neighbors those great and simpler times will always stay with me until my time is also up.

Good by old friend,

Michael P Kratky



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**Michael P Kratky** - March 16, 2016 at 10:27 AM

JM

“ Rest in peace old friend, such a pleasure to have known you. I have never met anyone other than you who was so positive all the time, never a bad word for anybody. The bands, bowling and the scrap yard, lots of good memories.

Farewell our friend, Joe and Sharon Mraz

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**Joe Mraz** - March 16, 2016 at 08:17 AM

JS

“ Uncle Jim may you rest in peace and be with your brothers in heaven. Will miss your smile which lit up your whole face. You loved being around people and many will miss you. Aunt Janet so sorry for your loss. Uncle Jim was so lucky to have you by his side. May God give you strength and peace in the days ahead.  
Jana & Lewis Smith

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**Jana Smith** - March 16, 2016 at 07:57 AM

GS

“ *Glen Sanders lit a candle in memory of James B. Bornt*



**Glen Sanders** - March 15, 2016 at 10:31 PM

JK

“ *Jan*

*I am so very sorry for your loss! Jim was an amazing man, intelligent, funny and always that smile of his, he took his time with everybody. Always a kind word for anyone he spoke to. He gave up his seat in church several time's so that we could be seated. Nicest man ever; Jim Bornt! I will always remember you! Rest in peace my friend!*



**John Knowles** - March 15, 2016 at 09:31 PM

JT

“ *Jamie Tribley lit a candle in memory of James B. Bornt*



**Jamie Tribley** - March 15, 2016 at 07:43 PM

LG

“ *Always remember your great smile, and loving all of us kids, thank, my Dad Paul Chase sr, for taking me to uncle Jim's every week end alot of great memories I will cherish forever, loved the rides on the bull dozer, and playing in the scrap yard, GI, Bob Kevin and Laurie Guiles, some of the best memories as a child, RIP uncle Jim will be missed and loved forever, now more pain, until we meet again keep dad Paul Chase Sr company and my mom JoAnne Guiles*



**Laurie Guiles** - March 15, 2016 at 06:43 PM

SK

“ Sue Ketchum lit a candle in memory of James B. Bornt



Sue Ketchum - March 15, 2016 at 05:30 PM

RD

“ It was always fun bowling with Jim at arterial lanes, he always got french fries after bowling. He could always put a smile on your face.

Rick Dolder - March 15, 2016 at 05:20 PM

DS

“ RIP my friend a sad sad day for the crew that grew up together on Elmwood Ave . In the 50's & 60's there were few TV in the neighborhood let alone cable TV Nintendo's etc we played in the outdoors dawn to dusk basketball, baseball, football, soccer etc we played hard and rough @ times. When someone went down Jim was one of the first person to make sure you weren't hurt help you back up give you a slap on the back and say lets play. Even as we grew up and moved from the old neighborhood when you ran into Jim he always had warm (CRUSHING LOL) handshake and a smile and congrats if there was something new in your life. He will be missed by all that knew him!!!

David Stahl - March 15, 2016 at 05:11 PM

BH

“ Benny Hill lit a candle in memory of James B. Bornt



benny hill - March 15, 2016 at 05:02 PM

CL

“ Connie Loucks lit a candle in memory of James B. Bornt



connie loucks - March 15, 2016 at 05:01 PM

PG

“ Janet & family, so sorry for your loss. Jim was a very special man and will be greatly missed. Our hearts go out to you, Pat & Richard Geer

patricia geer - March 15, 2016 at 04:49 PM

DR

“ Sorry for your loss. Jim was a great guy and will be missed. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Cal & Debby Robinson

debby robinson - March 15, 2016 at 04:23 PM

MM

“ Margo Morgan lit a candle in memory of James B. Bornt



margo morgan - March 15, 2016 at 04:20 PM

DB

“ So very sad to hear, Prayers to Jim's family



Darryl Bezio - March 15, 2016 at 03:52 PM

RB

“ You will be truly missed Jim. We love you and all the jokes we shared, we will miss the great times jamming with you and the guys. God will love your company as we all did here.

Dick & Charly Bornt



Richard & Charlene Bornt - March 15, 2016 at 03:39 PM

BB

“ A great man, a true friend, and I had the pleasure of many adventures as kids with Jim on Elmwood Ave. I can remember the day a guy, Charlie Sweet I think his name was, came to the yard and asked Jim to pump up his bike tire and he walked away. Well we hand pumped that tire so much, just as Charlie got back that tire went bang and we ran like hell. Later, his dad, Art, made us fix it with a "new" used one. Charlie didnt think it was very funny. (I know Art did though) I have lots of fond memories of those times with Jim and I know that many others do as well. For sure, he will be missed by many.

Bob Bruse - March 15, 2016 at 03:22 PM

MW

“ Mike Wilson lit a candle in memory of James B. Bornt



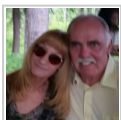
mike wilson - March 15, 2016 at 02:15 PM

BW

“ Jim Bornt was a wonderful, kind uncle. I remember the times I would spend at his home when I was young with my cousin Chris, I use to love playing up in the "junk yard". They were good times!!! I did not spend much time with him in recent years. We grow up and time seems to slip away...I did get a chance to spend some time recently with him and some of our family at my dads (Bob Jackson) home, uncle Jim was able to play his bass, he loved doing that. He said he was having a good time... My heart goes out to my cousin Chris and aunt Jan. With love Brenda & Steve Wagner



Brenda Wagner - March 15, 2016 at 01:54 PM



Such a great human you will make a great Angel up in heaven with the best watch over all of us and have a great time with all that went before us. You are now free from pain and can enjoy the eternal life you so well deserve you will be missed by many but if we are lucky we will all be together again someday our thoughts and prayers are with you Jan and your family love Paul and Donna Reisinger.

Donna Reisinger - March 15, 2016 at 05:08 PM

WS

“ So very sorry... Jim and I go back decades - as kids - and never saw him without a smile and greeting... Terrific guy and is missed

Wayne D Schermerhorn

Wayne D Schermerhorn - March 15, 2016 at 01:10 PM



“ so sorry to hear about jim..rip and prayers to his family..bill an janice st louis



Janice St Louis - March 15, 2016 at 12:59 PM

KR

“ Kathy McBride And Donald Rivenberg lit a candle in memory of James B. Bornt



kathy mcbride and donald rivenberg - March 15, 2016 at 12:43 PM

LE

“ Jan our condolences to you and your family. Jim rest in peace now your fight is over.  
We will miss you and Wally will miss visiting you in the mornings and the breakfast and movies. Don't worry about Jan if she needs anything we will be there for her. I know you will be watching over us everyday. Till we meet again our best friend. We love you and will miss you.

Bev Snyder

Leejay Joslin

Wally Joslin

Leej - March 15, 2016 at 11:51 AM

PB

“ my bubby we always talked on the phone about gossip the casino gonna miss ya so much love ya paula brooker

paula brooker - March 15, 2016 at 10:33 AM

LL

*you were a great guy jim we remember you for a long tme my husband George lee went to school with you we remember a lot may you rest in peace my friend*

**laura lee** - March 15, 2016 at 03:45 PM

SO

“ *Jan so sorry for your loss...such a great man,Uncle and friend..loved our talks we had..hard to get one up on him always one step ahead of you !! May he rest in peace now and no more pain..Fly with Angels big guy..Love Ya.*



**Sally Oathout** - March 15, 2016 at 10:16 AM

LS

“ *Love, Patti, Paul and Shayla. purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White for the family of James B. Bornt.*

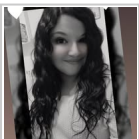


**Love, Patti, Paul and Shayla.** - March 15, 2016 at 09:28 AM

PM

“ *My Uncle Jim...the Teddy Bear... always smiling, always strong. I will miss those amazing hugs you gave and that smile. I know you are in heaven ...shooting the bull with David and Dad. Till we meet again... Love, Patti*

**Patti Moran** - March 15, 2016 at 08:34 AM



“ *Jim, I will never forget you. It's true what they say. Family isn't always defined by blood. My Dad was so lucky to be able to call you his best friend! You were like the Uncle my 5 sisters and I never had. Your jokes were always so silly. I can still hear your laugh. You were always so giving. You didn't have a mean bone in your body. You loved our babies. I remember how happy you were for me when you found out I was finally having Baylee. I am so happy that she was able to meet you. I'm not crying for you, because I know that what you wanted was peace. The last thing you told me was that you were ready to stop fighting the long and awful fight. But I am crying because the thought of not having you here with us anymore is so painful. Nobody will ever Moo like you could! Not even a cow. It is so hard to see my Dad so broken from your loss. He will never be the same. You meant so much to him. Thank you for all the wonderful memories. We love you Jumbo Jim. Rest easy, and watch over us. We will always be there for Jan!*

**Lacy Spagnuola** - March 15, 2016 at 07:25 AM

BS

*Where to begin.. He has always been there for my family and always had a smile on his face<3 I remember going to Easter at his house and he loved watching the kids in the Easter egg hunt! May you rest easy now and look down on your loved ones<3*

**Brittany Suchy** - March 15, 2016 at 08:50 AM

RS

*Such a sweet soul...my memories of Jim go back over 60 years. Always smiling, always had time to chat...A great man.*

**Rick Simon** - March 15, 2016 at 12:33 PM

BC

*Jimmy you are a great man, made a guitar look awful small. you were a great friend and I will never forget you, go in peace my friend.*

**bob & denise carter** - March 15, 2016 at 01:03 PM

DW

*I knew Jim through my job as recycling coordinator - we had many cordial dealings over metal scrap or cardboard. He was always helpful, patient, and friendly - my condolences to his family and friends. Dianne Woske*

**Dianne Woske** - March 16, 2016 at 09:29 AM