



**Mann, James McLine**

1952-2025

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James McLine Mann, 72, of Mountain Home, was taken to his heavenly home on Feb. 26, 2025. His wife, Marcia, was at his side and he was surrounded by his family. Jim was born in Bridgeport, to Truett Ward Mann and JoAnn Mask Mann on July 6, 1952. He married his best friend and partner in life, Marcia Gallagher, in 2001 in Goliad.

Although born in Bridgeport, Jim grew up on the South Plains in Crosbyton. He was an Eagle Scout and loved camping and hiking in Blanco Canyon and held many fond memories of his early life there. He moved from Crosbyton back to Bridgeport for his last two years of high school and made many more memories there.

After high school Jim enrolled at Texas A&M University in College Station, TX, where he was a member of the Corps of Cadets and the Ross Volunteers, a highly prestigious organization on the A&M campus. Although rigorous and demanding he always said that it was a most precious time in his life and he was grateful for all it taught him. Jim graduated in Dec. of 1974. Following graduation he took a commission in the United States Army as a Second Lieutenant, Cannon Field Artillery Officer and Forward Observer.

Upon discharge from the Army Jim returned to raise his family in Bryan/College Station where he worked in Construction Management and had an independent construction framing crew. In 1985 he turned to a career in Law Enforcement and grew to love that field, working in both Victoria County and Brazos County, retiring in 2008 as Chief Deputy-Brazos County Sheriff's Office.

Jim was passionate about Texas History and was heavily involved in a Living History Reenactment group, The Texas Army. His family also participated in this activity and he taught his sons, Matthew and Gabriel, primitive fire making and many other survival skills necessary in early Texas.

In 2008 Jim retired and he and Marcia returned to south Texas outside the little town of Cuero, where he enjoyed raising Barbado sheep and a large vegetable garden. One of his greatest joys was having his grandchildren come out to stay at Cattail Creek. He spent time with each and every one, teaching them skills such as fire making, sword play with handmade wooden swords and shields, archery, working in the garden, playing in the mud etc.

In 2020 Jim and Marcia moved to the little community of Mountain Home outside of Kerrville and built a home where he was very much at peace and loved life in the Texas Hill Country. He had a lifelong love of camping and hiking and loved being out in "God's Creation".

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Truett and JoAnn; grandparents and great-grandparents; along with his cousin, Carlos Mann whom he treasured deeply.

Survivors include his wife and best friend of 25 years, Marcia; sons, Matthew L. Mann and wife, Courtney, Gabriel T. Mann and wife, Jessica, Kenneth C. Moore and wife, Carole, Brandon J. Moore and wife, Harley; along with 12 grandchildren; and 4 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by sister, Mollye Gardner (Larry); brothers, Tom Mann (Donna), Bill Mann; and many nieces and nephews.

Rosary and funeral Mass will be held at St. Anthony's Catholic Church in Harper, TX, on April 26, 2025, at 10 a.m. Representatives of the Brazos County Sheriff's Office will provide an Honor Guard.

Honorary pallbearers are Sgt. (Ret.) Tom Randall, Investigator (Ret.) Kenny Elliott, childhood and lifelong friend Marc Lowrie, former CSPD partner, Chief (Ret.) Nancy Mason and Sgt. – DPS Criminal Intelligence (Ret.) John Schlinger.

In lieu of flowers please consider making a contribution in Jim's honor to The Shriner's Hospital for Children or St. Jude's Hospital for Children, both of which were dear to his heart.

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