



James Owen Watkins

May 25, 1974 - January 4, 2019

James Owen Watkins passed away on January 4th 2019 at the age of 44 at Keck Hospital of USC surrounded by his family. James is survived by his loving wife Heather Watkins, his children Breonah and Fabian, his parents Joe Watkins and Laverne Watkins, siblings Jeremy, Christopher, Jimmy and Sharon and was predeceased by his birth mother Lynda McPhee.

James was born on May 25th, 1974 in Southern California and moved to San Luis Obispo as a young child. He grew up on the Central Coast where he spent much of his time building a tight knit group of friends and family. James moved to Martinez, California in his senior year of high school and continued to make many lasting friendships. He eventually returned to San Luis Obispo in 2012, where he met his wife Heather Volpa and they married in October 2015. James was an active and dedicated member of many charitable organizations such as the Local Elks Lodge #322 and the E Clampus Vitus Chapter 1.5. He was a skilled carpenter, certified scuba diver and loved to fish. James will be remembered as a man with an infectious smile and sense of humor that made friends and family feel instantly at home and loved in his presence.

A funeral will be held Thursday, January 24th 2019 at San Luis Cemetery for family and close friends. All are invited to a wake in James's honor on February 10th, 2019 at 2pm at the Elks Lodge in San Luis Obispo.

Previous Events

Graveside

JAN **24**. 12:00 PM (PT)

San Luis Cemetery
2 Higuera St
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Wake

FEB **10**. 2:00 PM (PT)

Elks Lodge
222 Elks Lane
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401
<https://www.elks.org/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James Owen Watkins.* ”



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“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of James Owen Watkins.* ”



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