## Meriden, KS



James E. "Jim" Lederer Jr., 61, of Meriden, KS, passed away Wednesday, December 23, 2020 at his home. He was born March 18, 1959 in Winchester, KS, the son of James Eugene, Sr. and Helen Leona (Pitts) Lederer.

Jim graduated from Valley Falls High School in 1977 and attended vocational schooling. Jim was a Journeyman Electrician for multiple companies to include Goodyear, Westar, and Flexel. He was a member of a Masonic Lodge in Oklahoma.

He married Jerriann P. Cohorst in 1980 at Marysville, KS; they later divorced.

Survivors include his son, Anthony "AJ" Lederer (Danessa) of Lemon Grove, CA; daughter, Jacqueline "Jackie" Casto of Meriden, KS; 2 sisters, Cindi Stueland (Terry) of Wichita, KS, and Jeannie Dillon (James) of Topeka, KS; six grandchildren, Tyler, Weston, Isaac, Levi, Ellie, and Elsali; 1 great-granddaughter, Isabel; 4 nieces and 3 nephews.

Family will greet friends from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, January 2, 2021 at the Mercer Funeral Home in Valley Falls. Inurnment will be at a later date at Valley Falls Cemetery. Memorials may be given to the Topeka Rescue Mission. Due to the critical situation we all are in, please remember the families during this difficult time and consider sending a card of condolence or posting on our website. Mercer Funeral Home, P.O. Box 6, Valley Falls, KS 66088. <a href="https://www.mercerfuneralhomes.com">www.mercerfuneralhomes.com</a>.