



## Mark James Foster

December 30, 2024

Mark James Foster, 68, of Malaga, NJ, passed away on Monday, December 30, 2024.

Born in Elmer, Mark was the son of Preston S. Jr. and Jane McGuire Foster. After graduating from Bridgeton High School in 1974, he worked in various fields including sheetrock and drywall, tree trimming, and several printing companies. Mark eventually took over the family business as publisher of the Elmer Times, a weekly newspaper, founded in 1885 by his great-grandfather, Samuel Preston Foster. Mark loved running the printing presses. He loved his community and took pride in supporting and providing a forum to the community from 2005 to present. Declining health limited his ability to publish the newspaper in recent years and his dear friend Bonny Beth Elwell took over the reins.

Mark was a lifelong member of the Elmer Presbyterian Church. Mark was also a founding member and the first president of the Greater Elmer Area Historical Society, where his passion for preserving local history shone. He was known for his love of bottle digging and collecting; pottery and art; music and jukeboxes. He was an artist and loved to paint. Mark enjoyed working in his herb, flower and vegetable gardens. He enjoyed tending to his bee hives and bottling honey. Mark also enjoyed time spent in Fortescue crabbing and fishing.

Mark is survived by his son, Michael Marco, and his three grandchildren, Denise, Ethan, and Noah Marco; his sister-in-law, Lori Marco; and siblings

Preston S Foster, III (Elayne), Bruce Foster (Karen), Pamela F. Brunner, Scott Foster (Paul), Kevin Foster, and Peter Foster. Mark was predeceased by his beloved wife, Elaine Denise (nee: Marco) Foster, and his parents, Preston S and Jane Foster.

A visitation for family and friends will be held on Monday, January 6, 2025, at 9:30 AM at the Adams Funeral Home, 111 S. Main St., Elmer, NJ 08318. A funeral service will follow at 11 AM. Burial will take place at Chestnut Grove Cemetery after the service. In lieu of flowers, Mark has requested that donations be made to the Greater Elmer Area Historical Society, PO Box 35, Elmer, NJ 08318. [www.adamsfuneralhome.org](http://www.adamsfuneralhome.org)

# Cemetery Details

## Chestnut Grove

Elmer, NJ 08318

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 6. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Adams Funeral Home  
111 S. Main Street  
Elmer, NJ 08318

## Service

JAN 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Bonnie, Pat & Norma -Mulford's grandkids purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mark James Foster.*



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**Bonnie, Pat & Norma -Mulford's grandkids** - January 04, 2025  
at 01:22 PM

 Floyd  
Adams

“ *I spent many an evening while he printed jobs at the shop. I was best man at his wedding and he always enjoyed songs I played on guitar. many days out at the pool and his Cougar. Many memories, sad to see him go*

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**Floyd Adams** - January 01, 2025 at 12:14 AM