



James R. Castle

April 5, 1945 - January 7, 2022

James R. Castle, 76, passed away January 7, 2022.

He was a native of Scottville, MI; son of the late Martin B. Castle and Maxine L. Veselits. Surviving are his wife, Cathy Amato Castle; daughters Amy Brummel (Rob) of Atlanta, GA and Sarah Beth Murphy (Brad) of Seattle, WA; stepfather, Eugene Veselits of Muskegon, MI; sisters Marsha Castle of Owensville, MO and Nancy Castle of Cape Elizabeth, ME; and grandchildren Julia and Quinn Jarratt and Brendan, Meghann, and Ryann Murphy. Jim was predeceased by one brother, Charles Castle.

Jim loved life, beginning with family. He had a special passion for hunting and flyfishing, was an avid reader, and enjoyed traveling.

Jim earned his Bachelors degree from the University of Michigan and his Masters degree from Michigan State University.

After leading various state hospital associations for 44 years, Jim retired from the Ohio Hospital Association as President/CEO. In his honor, OHA created the James R. Castle Distinguished Service Award, presented annually. Jim served on many boards over the years, including the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations. He is a past recipient of the American Hospital Association Board of Trustees award in recognition of his many contributions to healthcare.

Jim was a faithful believer and active member of First Presbyterian Church Greenville. He was a committed and strong force in the recovering community. Visitation will be held at First Presbyterian Church Greenville on Saturday,

January 22, 2022 at 1:00pm, followed by a memorial service at 2:00pm.
The family respectfully requests memorials be made to First Presbyterian
Church Greenville, 200 W. Washington Street, Greenville, SC 29601.
Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **22**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

First Presbyterian Church
200 West Washington Street
Greenville, SC 29601

Memorial Service

JAN **22**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

FD

“ Jim was an exemplary leader of the Ohio Hospital Association. Healthcare in Ohio and the patients and staff of the OHA members were the beneficiaries of his good work. It was my honor to work with Jim during my tenure on the OHA Board of Trustees. My prayers and condolences to Jim's family.

Fred M. DeGrandis

Fred M DeGrandis - March 24, 2022 at 04:19 PM

WM

“ We are sorry to hear of Jim's passing. We are longtime Corporate Partners of OHA and so we have known Jim for a long time and have admired his leadership. Our thoughts are with the family at this time. May he Rest in Peace. Bill Meyer and Maureen Koeninger of William H. Meyer Group

William Meyer - March 08, 2022 at 03:31 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of James R. Castle.



January 21, 2022 at 08:02 PM

BF

“ Cathy and family, we are so sorry for your loss of dear James. What a guy, what a friend, what a father, what a grandfather. He will be sorely missed by all of you and the community he served.....we will miss his good cheer, his smile, his good humor, his wonderful camaraderie, his friendship...He was a gift to us all. May he Rest In Peace knowing all the good he has done in his life for others. May you find some joy in his many memories.
Love to you all....Barbara Carr and Toby Frey

Barbara Carr Frey - January 21, 2022 at 07:26 PM

JH

Cathy & family

I'm long time member of PMR&G club- in fact I brought Jim into the club. He was such a great guy & gentleman. His passing saddened all of us. I chose to remember the good times I had w/him. One of those was a steelheading evening on the river that Jim & I've told & retold many times. Readers digest version goes like this-20 yrs ago Jim & I had large # of steelhead that we were fishing to when a trespassing poacher walked in between us-we told him to leave but he wouldn't- subsequently

I stuck a steelhead walked him through th all d him for me - then Jim stuck a stealhead & walked his fish up stream straight through the poachers fish for the 2nd time completely distroying the poachers fishing,- obtw I landed Jim's Steelie.

We walked off the river 2 extremely happy guys. I treasure this story & know Jim did also.

*With deep condolences
Sincerely Jim Hagar*

Jim Hagar - January 25, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of James R. Castle.*



January 21, 2022 at 06:25 AM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of James R. Castle.*



January 20, 2022 at 03:51 PM



“ *Fiery Lily and Rose was purchased for the family of James R. Castle.*



January 20, 2022 at 01:19 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of James R. Castle.*



January 18, 2022 at 04:08 PM

CD

“ I worked under Jim Castle at the Ohio Hospital Association. My brother, Bob Shroder, was also on the Board of Directors. He was a wonderful man who was kind and supportive to everyone at the company. He was sorely missed upon his retirement. I hope he is at peace now and condolences to his family. He was one of those "most impressive" men.

Chanda Dicke - January 16, 2022 at 10:31 AM

JC

“ Taken from us way too soon. Go rest high on that mountain James , your work on earth is done. Cathy and family Peace and Take Care.

John and Betty Callender - January 16, 2022 at 10:02 AM

LL

“ Larry & Linda Lambert purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of James R. Castle.



Larry & Linda Lambert - January 15, 2022 at 09:54 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James R. Castle.



January 14, 2022 at 05:30 PM



“ [Memorial Trees](https://www.thewoodmortuary.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was purchased for the family of James R. Castle.

January 14, 2022 at 05:27 PM



“ Jim has been in our lives since the days of Flushing Valley Golf. We got closer in our early recoveries. Most memorable was him showing up at our home after he had moved to Maine. It was at a time when we really needed spiritual support and he was there for us. He was an angel disguised as a loving friend. We will miss him. Knowing that the family had all those kinds of memories we are confident you will get through this. Our condolences and best wishes are with all of you.
Love, Charlene and Allan Ebert

Allan M. Ebert DO, FASAM - January 14, 2022 at 10:16 AM



“ I have known Jim since 1966. I was 19 years old. So many memories over these 55 years. He loved life; he loved people and he loved food! I will feel this loss forever. RIP Jim. ❤️❤️ Lynn Kneer

Lynn Kneer - January 13, 2022 at 12:09 PM