



James Reed Harper

March 29, 1936 - March 14, 2023

James “Jim” Reed Harper, 86, of Greenville, SC, formerly of Indiana, PA, joined the Church Triumphant on March 14, 2023.

He was born March 29, 1936, in Pittsburgh, PA, to William Edward Harper and Evelyn Marie Blank Harper.

Jim graduated from Indiana High School in 1955. He was a proud Veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in the 1ST Artillery Infantry, and was one of the original and longest-serving employees of the Fisher Scientific Company in Indiana, PA. Jim was an active member of St. Bernard’s Catholic Church and served as a president of the Canterbury Commons HOA for many years. Jim was well-known for his humor and humility, ability to fix just about anything, willingness to help others, and for his love of God and family.

Jim was the beloved brother of Edward, Walter (Janet), and Robert (Sue) Harper; and father of Mary Jane Pella (Mark), Timothy J. Harper (Brandy), Dorse Spicher (Susie), and Christopher Spicher (Sandy). Jim deeply loved his nieces, nephews, and grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Margaret Zaczyk, first wife, Judith E. Harper, and second wife, Shirley J. Harper.

He will be laid to rest at Oakland Cemetery, Indiana, PA, with a private family service at a later date.

Memorial donations may be made to St. Bernard of Clairvaux Catholic Church, 200 Clairvaux Dr., Indiana, PA 15701.

Online condolences may be made at www.thewoodmortuary.com

Tribute Wall

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“ Jim was our brother-in-law for over 30 years, but more important he was our dear friend. When he married my beloved sister Shirley he became a treasure to our family. We will see Jim again when the grand reunion comes and we will be forever with our loved ones and our Lord. Rest in peace until we meet again. Love you Karen and Calvin Hill

Karen and Calvin Hill - July 20, 2023 at 09:19 AM

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“ Mary Jane and Tim,

Just learned of the recent passing of your beloved father. I have such fond childhood memories of Jimmy when you lived so many years across the lawn from us. The Reeds loved having the Harper family as wonderful neighbors and friends. I'm sure you will miss him dearly but you'll hold all those wonderful family memories dear.

Warmest regards,

Shelley(Reed) Uram and the Reed Family

Shelley Uram - April 23, 2023 at 09:06 PM

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“ *Deepest sympathies to the Harper Family. I have known Jim for many years. He treated my family great thru the years. I always had the utmost respect for Jim and he will most certainly be a great leader in his spot in Gods plan. Rest in peace and keep looking over us all. Sincerely, Eugene Frye*

Eugene Frye - March 18, 2023 at 07:57 PM

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“ *My condolences and prayer is with the family. Mr. Harper was a very sweet man from the time I known him at The Gables on Pelham. I pray that God gives you all the loving care in strength as the days continues to go on. Love, Carmilla Watson*

carmilla watson - March 15, 2023 at 12:47 PM