



James Thomas Butterfield

December 13, 1935 - January 1, 2023

Surrounded by those he loved, James (Jim) Thomas Butterfield, passed away peacefully January 1, 2023, at the age of 87.

Jim was the beloved husband to Stephanie Butterfield; devoted father to Robert Butterfield, Susan Pagano and the late James Butterfield; devoted stepfather to Kristen Bussard, the late Lauren Hughes and the late Matthew Gillespie. Loving Grandfather (Pop) to Selena (Patrick), James (Liv), Abigail, Hannah (Cameron), Nicholas, Sophia and Silas; also survived by 5 beautiful great-grandchildren and his loving niece and nephew.

Jim proudly served in the Air Force from 1954 to 1958 as a Flight Engineer. He would tell you that those 4 years were the best times of his life as he traveled around the world. After his honorable discharge, he worked at Bethlehem Steel and retired in 1998 after 38 years of service. Holding a few different positions at the Point, Jim was extremely proud of his work on the Union Grievance Committee. After his retirement, Jim taught CPR at Baltimore City Community College for several years, owned a small CPR business and served as a Baltimore County Liquor Inspector. Jim was very involved in politics and was the President of Battle Grove Democratic Club and served on the State Central Committee.

Jim truly lived life to the fullest. He loved music and was known to break out in song either playing one of his many ukuleles or singing karaoke. He also found joy in dancing and loved playing the slot machines. His ability to have a good time anywhere he went was infectious.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to May Angels Treasure Them by visiting mayangelstreasurethem.org/donate.

It was Jim's wishes for his family and friends to remember him as the happy, healthy, kind, loving person he was therefore a Celebration of Life to honor him will be held and details will be forthcoming. We strongly encourage everyone to share your memories of Jim on his Tribute Wall.

Tribute Wall

SB

“ My love, \nI miss you so much. Time is moving so slowly for me. I think of you every day and it is so painful for me to be here without you. \nI love you! \nStephanie

Stephanie Butterfield - April 24, 2023 at 10:12 PM

JB

“ Miss you and love you Pop Pop . You have always been there for me and have been a great father figure and role model to me throughout my life . I am beyond grateful that my kids got to meet their one of a kind Great Grandfather . Love you pop, I hope you and Dad had quite a reunion up in heaven ❤️

James Butterfield - January 21, 2023 at 04:43 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Love,

Chad, Lauren, Ryleigh, & Parker Hughes - January 11, 2023 at 08:03 PM

AN

“ James Thomas Butterfield

Anonymous - January 10, 2023 at 06:55 PM

OB

“ Pop pop was the best. Jimmy and the boys loved you so much. We/I will cherish the memories we shared. We are so happy that he got to meet and spend time with his grandsons, Kaulder and Jasper. He was so kind, so funny, and boy, could he play some ukulele!! He got me into playing as well. \n He will be missed by all. \nThere is peace in knowing he is no longer suffering. He will never be forgotten. We will hold you in our hearts forever, Pop. Until we meet again ❤️❤️ \n\nLove, Liv Butterfield

Olivia Butterfield - January 04, 2023 at 04:53 PM

SB

“ My dearest Jim,\nThese last few days have been a blur for me. I can't and won't accept the fact you are not coming home to me. Our life together was so special and while some people may not have understood it, we did and that is all that mattered. \nAs much as you always said how I took care of you, you were MY rock. Our love for each other knew no boundaries. I was the lucky one to have you love me unconditionally and you truly made me feel like a Queen. \nMy life was forever changed when I met you and it will be forever changed since I now have lost you. I know my children now have another angel watching over them. I will always love you and I look forward to reuniting with you in paradise \nRest easy my eternal love ❤️❤️❤️

Stephanie Butterfield - January 03, 2023 at 09:25 PM

AP

“ Jim was my political mentor and a loyal friend He was so proud of his military career in the air force I was fortunate to spend some time with Jim a few days before he got sick He talked about being in Paris and Germany, in the air force (best time of his life) until he met Stephanie - He told me “she’s the love of my life” I am lucky to have him consider me his friend I will miss him - Please pray for his family RIP Jim - Much love Anna Pearce

Anna Pearce - January 03, 2023 at 08:51 PM

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“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Simplicity Cremation & Funeral Services

A Memorial Tree was planted for James Thomas Butterfield - January 03, 2023 at 05:28 PM