



## James Koch

April 17, 1948 - November 14, 2025

Jim, as his friends called him, grew up in the DC area.

He spent most of his childhood in Silver Spring and Bethesda. He was educated through the Catholic school system attending St. Bernadette's, Saint Jane De Chantal, St. Johns, and Harker Prep. He was a funny and jovial guy with a firm faith in Christ.

Many knew his friendly face from the paint department of Strosnidors Hardware in Bethesda and Potomac, where he worked for over 45 years. He enjoyed all the local sports teams and attending Nationals, Capitals, and Redskins games.

He eagerly awaited his annual trips to Argentina where he was warmly received by extended family.

He was a kid at heart. While he loved spending time with the family, his true joy came from spreading holiday cheer at various local Santa luncheons.

Jim died widowed but spent over 47 years married to his beloved wife, Nelida. He is survived by his daughter Christina, his granddaughters, Athena and Alessandra, his son-in-law Gerald, his sister Carmen, and his brother, Bobby. He was a dedicated husband, a wonderful father and grandfather, a dear brother and father-in-law, and a cherished in-law. He will be sorely missed and always remembered.

Graveside service will be held at Gate of Heaven, Friday, November 21st at 11:30 am.