



James William Maddox

June 29, 1934 - October 29, 2021

James William Maddox passed away on October 29, 2021 in Arnold, MD from complications of esophageal cancer. His last days were surrounded by family including his loving sisters, his two sons, daughter-in-law and three grandchildren, and he received wonderful care from Claire Nolan and her staff at Jones Acres Assisted Living. The family is especially grateful to his Primary Care doctor Holly Eyler-Yeatman and her staff for their skill and devotion since his relocation to Severna Park, MD from Chicago in 2015. And to his oncologist Dr Carol Tweed who worked so hard and so compassionately to prolong the quality of his life since his diagnosis in 2018. Drs Yeatman and Tweed gave us precious time for which we'll always be grateful.

Born in Cleburne County, AL on June 29, 1934 and raised in La Grange, Georgia, Jim was the oldest of five children who persevered together under challenging conditions with the love of their mother Grace. Jim worked his way up in the textile business to become a manufacturer's representative for several mills in central Georgia, moving to New Jersey and then Chicago, where he met his future wife Virginia Born. After a brief stint in the Army stationed at Letterman Hospital in the Presidio of San Francisco, they settled in Bartlett, IL to raise their sons, Rob and Rick.

Jim spent the next 50+ years in the Chicagoland area, where he made lifelong friends. Some of his happiest days were spent on the golf course at Medinah,

enjoying a cigar and working on his golf game. When he turned 80, he moved to Maryland to be closer to his youngest son Rick and his family where his presence touched us in new and wonderful ways.

Jim was a kind and gentle soul. A consummate gentleman with a firm handshake with which he often counseled his grandchildren, “gotta let them know you’re there.” He was a steady presence in the lives of his grandchildren, picking them up from school, shuttling them to activities, or visiting for Sunday dinner. We will be forever more in our hearts and memories.

There will be no formal service at this time, but please share your memories of Jim on the Simplicity website.

James William Maddox Obituary - Visitation & Funeral Information
(simplicitycfs.com)

If you are inclined to make a donation on his behalf please consider supporting Seasons Hospice.

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Don't take any wooden nickels*

Lily Maddox - January 30, 2022 at 08:17 PM

JL

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John Landis - January 05, 2022 at 09:31 AM

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John Landis - January 04, 2022 at 07:46 PM

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“ *James William Maddox*

Simplicity Cremation & Funeral Services - January 03, 2022 at 08:28 AM

JH

“ Our children and then our grandchildren were the initial proximate cause in our relationship but fortunately for both of us it took hold quickly and grew, well nourished by our shared interest in our family, reading, football, quality cigars and accompanying libations. Jim was a class act, always a gentleman, conversant in a wide range of subjects and just a great person with whom anyone could spend a pleasant afternoon, evening or more. I will miss his company greatly as will all who knew and loved him. He was a wonderful granddad to Lily, Jack and Ty, had enormous love and respect for his sons Rob and Rick and the sun rose and set on our daughter Lauren. He was a model for all of us to follow as we pass through the twilight of life. RIP Jim, you did it well. Love to all, John and Marilyn

John J Howard - December 30, 2021 at 05:43 PM

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“ What a beautiful tribute! It was a sincere pleasure getting to know, not only Mr. Jim, but his lovely family while he was here with us at Jones Acres. I only wish that we had more time with him. What always struck me about Mr. Jim was just what a calming presence he was. Through all of the trials thrown his way he remained unflappable. Always more concerned about his family and those around him than his own discomfort. Always the consumant gentleman. He is deeply missed.

Samantha Silverman - December 30, 2021 at 05:20 PM

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

A Memorial Tree was planted for James William Maddox - November 01, 2021 at 12:49 PM