



## James Giftos

April 12, 1938 - February 14, 2011

GIFTOS, JAMES age 72 February 14, 2011

Beloved husband of Patricia. Loving father of Alexandra (Douglas) Johnston, Tom (Patty) and Nancy. Proud and loving "Poppy" of Elena, James, Jimmy, Isabella, Peter and Andrea. Dear brother of Joan (Rev. Stamos) Ganiaris and Christine (the late Jimmie) James. Dear brother-in-law of John (Elizabeth) Dallas and George (Suzanne) Dallas. Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews and godchildren. James founded National Coney Island Inc. in 1965 and was known as "Mr. G" to the thousands of employees past and present with whom he had the pleasure of working. Proud veteran of The US Air Force Reserve. Donations preferred to Assumption Greek Orthodox Church or The Van Elslander Cancer Center. Visitation Wednesday 5-9pm and Thursday 2-8pm with a 6:30pm prayer service (Trisagion) at Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. 36900 Schoenherr at Metro Pkwy. (16 Mile). Instate Friday 9:30am at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church 21800 Marter in St. Clair Shores until time of Service at 10:00am. Share memories with the family at their "On-Line Guestbook" @ [WujekCalcaterra.com](http://WujekCalcaterra.com).

# Tribute Wall

JH

“ You will always be remembered as my cheerful,friendly Cass Tech chum. God Bless.

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**Joe Haddad** - February 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ I'm sorry to hear of Jim's passing....I'm glad that I got to chance see him at the 50th reunion for our class back in 2006....I'll always remember him as the fellow with every hair in place and his easy going manner...a real gentleman...my condolences to his family.....  
Kenneth Chapman

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**Kenneth Chapman** - February 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ Our deepest sympathy's go out to the entire Giftos family. It has been some years since we have seen Jimmy. One of my fondest memories is sharing wonderful memories with Jimmy and his father at his fathers birthday celebration. Our parents came to the USA together and were next door neighbors in the late 40's and have remained friends ever since. Jimmy has a picture I gave him in his office of what we referred to as "Our Gang" at my 8th birthday party. Since retirement and our move to Florida we have lost touch but always remained friends. Dear Friend, you will be dearly missed.  
Nick and Pat Christy.

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**Nick Christy** - February 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

HC

“ Our sincere condolence to the Giftos fammily. A great loss to family and friends. He will be missed.

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**Harry & Lois Constant** - February 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MV

“ Sympathies to Tom and Nancy, VO family prayers are with you at this time.

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**Mark VanOsdol** - February 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BN

“ Tom, Sandy & Family... I cannot begin to understand the emotion and feelings you are certain to experience for your Father. I do know for sure that the world is a much better place because of you and your family. You are crystal clear reflections of the generosity, humor, work ethic, and good hearted nature of your loving father - who touched so many lives. His legacy lives forever in all that is you! In prayerful hope that the burden your hearts bear is soon lifted and also confidence that the light of your Dad will continue to shine as bright as ever - forever - in all of you. Much Love and Sincere Condolence! Bob Nelson & Family

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**Bob Nelson** - February 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GC

“ To The Giftos Family, On behalf of the Grosse Pointe Crisis Club we want to express our condolences on the passing of Jim. He has been a longtime and steadfast supporter of our organization and its mission. Please accept our heartfelt sympathy. The Board of Trustees Grosse Pointe Crisis Club

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**Grosse Pointe Crisis Club** - February 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ We are so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Diane, Jenny and McKenzie Johnston

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**Diane Johnston** - February 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

HD

“ *Mrs. Giftos to you and your family words simply cannot express what you all are feeling. Please know that we at the Clinic feel your lost and are praying for you all. May God grant you peace and strenght in the comming days and months.*

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**Hennessy Darville** - February 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ *In loving memory, Your Buddy, Joe and Pauline*

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**Joseph Aprea** - February 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM