



James Darrell Williams

February 15, 1941 - April 8, 2021

James "Jim" Darrell Williams, age 80, died on Thursday April 8th, 2021 in Naples, Florida.

He is survived by his wife Linda (Resmondo) of Naples, Florida; his daughter Nicole (Archie) McIntyre of Ray Township, Michigan; his son Brad Williams (Lisa) of Rochester, Michigan; grandchildren ; sister Phyllis (Rudy) Nartker; Aunt Dorothy Williams and beloved nieces and nephews.

Jim was born on February 15, 1941 in Detroit, Michigan to parents Martin and Frances (Wedding) Williams. He attended Hazel Park High School. As a child he enjoyed delivering newspapers on his route and playing ice hockey with neighborhood friends.

Jim's passion for automobiles led him to a preliminary career as an Auto Mechanic at Sullivan's Gas Station and Garage in Hazel Park, Michigan. From there, Jim found his calling as he transitioned into the tool and die industry, initially holding the position of apprentice at Kalco Inc. He thrived in this environment and was soon to be recruited to become a partner of Stanhope Tool and Die, eventually becoming its sole proprietor. Jim was admired and respected by his entire team as a hardworking and fair business leader. He successfully owned and operated Stanhope for over 35 years before selling it and retiring in Naples, Florida.

Jim was a devoted husband and father. He married Linda Gale Resmondo in 1964 and settled in Shelby Township, Michigan where they raised their two children together. Jim enjoyed spending time with family and friends and found joy in boating, fishing, travelling, golfing and restoring old cars. He was proud of the life he built for his family. He was notorious for his willingness to help others fix any project they brought to him – Jim loved working with his hands. Friends and family will always remember him as a thoughtful, hardworking, self-made, good-humored man who got up early every morning and dedicated every minute of his day to doing or fixing something. Jim loved people, always taking time throughout his day to share a meaningful moment with those in his community, even leaving dog treats out for passing canines. His friends jokingly referred to him as “The Mayor of Solamar,” which was the condominium building he lived in and where he stayed active in several committees throughout his retirement. Jim was also a member of the Naples Cruise Club where he also served as a commodore.

Jim was baptized in the Catholic faith, rarely missing a weekly service. He loved God and we believe that he has been welcomed into Heaven, and his spirit is home. Family will receive visitors on Sunday April 18th, 2021 at Wujek Calcaterra & Sons funeral home in Shelby Township, MI with visitation from 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm with Evening Sharing of Memories. A funeral service will be held on Monday April 19th, 2021 at St Kieran Church in Shelby Township, MI. We welcome everyone who would like to attend and celebrate Jim’s life with us.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you consider a donation to Ronald McDonald House Charities, which was an organization that Jim revered fondly <https://www.rmhc.org/donate>. Online condolences can be shared at <https://www.wujekcalcaterra.com/>

Cemetery Details

White Chapel Memorial Cemetery

621 W Long Lake Rd
Troy, MI 48098

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 18. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons - Shelby Township
54880 VanDyke Ave
Shelby Township, MI 48316

Instate / Funeral Mass

APR 19. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Kieran
53600 Mound
Shelby Twp., MI 48316

Tribute Wall



“ *Wujek ~ Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of James Darrell Williams*



Wujek ~ Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. - April 18, 2021 at 12:18 PM

MT

I am so sorry for your loss, he will be greatly missed, but he will never be forgotten. Mr Williams made this world a better place for being in it. A truly wonderful husband to Linda, and what a great love that is, and father, grandfather, just a really great human being. My thoughts & prayers are with you all. Deepest heartfelt sympathies.

Melanie Lyons/Diana Troxell - April 19, 2021 at 10:51 PM

AW

“ *Many fond memories of Mr. Williams and his family from my days of working at the Olympia Club in Detroit. Thoughts and prayers to all who knew and loved him.*

Amy Wess

Amy Wess - June 02, 2021 at 05:33 PM



“ *My deepest heartfelt sympathy for your loss Linda and the family. You all are in my thoughts and prayers. He is going to be deeply and greatly missed. And never forgotten. I'm grateful & honored for having the privilege of meeting Jim. He was a truly wonderful man. Did a great amount of good on this world. So much respect for him I have and always will. Rest in peace Jim. My heart hurts for the family and Linda*

Melanie Lyons - April 19, 2021 at 11:38 PM



“ *ALWAYS A SMILE AND SOMETHING TO DO. MY HEART IS OUT TO YOU LINDA AND FAMILY. ALTHOUGH NOT SEEING YOU FOR A FEW YEARS YOU REMAIN THE SPECIAL FOLKS PEOPLE NEVER FORGET. TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF DIANA (your old housekeeper from solamar)*

diana troxell - April 19, 2021 at 06:16 PM



“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Jeff Bowen - April 18, 2021 at 01:43 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of James Darrell Williams.*



April 18, 2021 at 08:34 AM



“ *We are new members to NCC and luckily got to meet Jim on several occasions. We loved his stories and his love for boating and especially his commitment to the club. I am sure there were lots of stories to come. We are sending our deepest condolences to Linda and the family. We are sure he is watching over all of us sending calm seas for our trips! Carole & Heinz Ruch*

Carole Ruch - April 17, 2021 at 06:55 PM



“ *So sorry to hear about Jim. We'll miss his smile and enthusiasm no matter what the occasion. We always enjoyed our times together at the island or on boat trips. Will always think of him whenever we enjoy a piece of cherry pie!*

Brenda & Jeff Bowen

Jeff Bowen - April 17, 2021 at 03:07 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Darrell Williams.*



April 17, 2021 at 01:40 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Darrell Williams.



April 16, 2021 at 05:31 PM



“ Jim will truly be Missed but never forgotten. He was what we call one of the Good Old Guys. He was always smiling and giving his all. There is another star watching over NCC LMI property. Thoughts and Prayers to all
Rex and Anita Joslin
Naples Cruise Club

Anita Joslin - April 16, 2021 at 03:21 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Darrell Williams.



April 16, 2021 at 01:09 PM



“ Jim and Sherry Clark and family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Darrell Williams.



Jim and Sherry Clark and family - April 16, 2021 at 11:11 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James Darrell Williams.



April 15, 2021 at 11:07 AM



“ Dear Linda, I was sad to see that you have lost your husband. I remember when you would get off the bus to meet him for golf. He sounds like a wonderful husband, father and neighbor. Prayers for peace for you and your family. Nanci Ferguson

nanci ferguson - April 15, 2021 at 10:51 AM



“ Larry and I were so sorry to hear about Jim's passing. Every time our paths crossed at Solamar, he always had a smile on his face and had something pleasant to say.
Linda, our heartfelt sympathies and condolences to you and your family.
Marsha and Larry Yelin

marsha Yelin - April 14, 2021 at 07:20 PM



“ John and I joined the Solamar community 11 years ago. Jim and Linda were one of the first to welcome us. He was a kind and gentle soul, and always went out of his way to help people and made our Solamar Building a better place. He will be missed, and our prayers and sympathy go out to Linda and her family.
With kindest regards,
Debbie and John Joslin

Deborah A Joslin - April 14, 2021 at 03:51 PM

ML

“ So sorry for your lose. My husband grew up with Darrell lived across the street from him and his family. Have some great memories of him and his family. Love to all. Marti lowe.

Marti lowe - April 13, 2021 at 06:51 PM

DM

“ Sorry for your loss, We had some great Boat trips with Jim and Linda. (The food was always outstanding). Jim will be missed. Hugs Donna and Don Makelim

Donna Makeim - April 13, 2021 at 06:08 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Ken Bills - April 12, 2021 at 11:56 AM

BW

His pride and joy - thanks for the share.

Brad Williams

Brad Williams - April 12, 2021 at 06:05 PM

PN

“ JIM aka Darrell Williams, my brother my friend and my virtual caller at least 3 times a week.! He was a wonderful man brother grampa and husband and father to his 2 children. He was. Always there to grill food for a crowd,help a person in need (sometimes me)and always a busy productive man ,whether it be his home, his friends ,family,or someone that needed a little helping hand.he worked very hard ,but took time to be on the water ,fishing ,,cruising , and loved his antique cars.!! MY HEART IS BROKEN OVER THE LOSS OF MY BROTHER ,FRIEND AND CONFIDENT, BUT HE IS NOW WITH HIS lord and mom dad. Brother good friend Kenny,cousins and aunts and uncles ,but is in no pain and free forever.I love you my brother and will never forget our times together, and will see you again God willing.phyllisLOVE YOU FOREVER.

Phyllis Nartker - April 11, 2021 at 06:31 PM

BH

Dear Friend, I am sad for your family and friends who will grieve and miss you so much.

I believe Heaven is a wonderful, joyful place where you will be welcomed by Jesus and reunited with those you love. I'm thankful that Ken & you will continue your lifelong friendship. Love, Bev

Bev Hepner - April 11, 2021 at 11:41 PM

NB

“ Jim was certainly a bright light in our Solamar community. He was always there with a smile and a laugh. He will be sorely missed by all that had the pleasure of knowing him. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Linda and family.
Jack and Nancy Brinker

Nancy Brinker - April 11, 2021 at 06:06 PM

WB

Jim brought light and happiness to so many in the Solamar and along Gulf Shore Blvd. Scores know him for his smile and greetings from his boat as their pets enjoyed treats from the boat box. If you needed a hand, Jim was there. If you needed a friend, Jim was there. If the Solamar needed a fix, Jim was there. Jim is a special person already sorely missed.

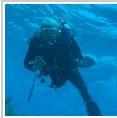
Bev and Warren Bartel

Warren Bartel - April 12, 2021 at 11:28 AM

FD

I wish that I could be there to honor & celebrate my dear cousin's life. I will be at one of Darrell's favorite Canadian fishing spots, Kettle Point, Ontario. Our sympathy & prayers for all. Fay & Paul

Fay Dutka-Zavitz - April 12, 2021 at 11:39 AM



Jim was a great friend and fellow member of the Naples Cruise Club. I had the pleasure of working with Jim on many club projects and events.

I am so glad he called recently to discuss some upcoming club business and his planned home improvement projects. Jim will be greatly missed by all our club members.

NCC Past Commodore

Ken Bills - April 12, 2021 at 11:45 AM

BB

Jim and Linda are 2 people that make Solomar the special place that it is. Jim will be missed and fondly remembered for his smile, friendliness and willingness to lend a hand.

Brian Bailey

Brian Bailey - April 14, 2021 at 08:00 AM

JM

Candy and my condolences go to Linda and Jim's family. We got to know them on several cruises and work parties and will miss his smile and wit. He was always ready to go, and get involved for the good of the club. Our deepest sympathies to a great guy.

*John and Candy McLaughlin
Naples Cruise Club*

john mclaughlin - April 18, 2021 at 12:05 AM