



James L. Rhodes

May 21, 1936 - March 18, 2020

83, of Indianapolis, passed away March 18, 2020. He was born May 21, 1936 in Indianapolis to the late Charles O. and Kathryn M. Clark Rhodes. Jim was a Class of 1954 graduate of Arsenal Tech High School. He married his first wife, Sharron L. Drummond on September 9, 1955 and she preceded him in death on November 29, 2003. Jim married his current wife, Joan Shriver Rhodes on September 2, 2006. He worked for Ameritech/AT&T for 31 years as a testing technician. After he retired, Jim worked as a driver for Shirley Brothers for four years. He was a member of Zion Church of Christ for 46 years. Since 1994, Jim has been a member of Old Bethel United Methodist Church. He was also a member of Maple Creek Country Club.

Visitation will be Monday, March 23, 2020 from 5:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington St.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. at the chapel.

Jim is survived by his wife, Joan Rhodes; sons, Garry M. Rhodes and Gregg A. Rhodes; step-sons, Mark (Tracey) Shriver, Jeffrey (Kimberley) Shriver and Stephen (Lynn) Shriver; 13 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren; and brothers, Robert E. (Minerva) Rhodes, David O. Rhodes and Mark (Leesa) Rhodes.

Memorial contributions may be made to Old Bethel United Methodist Church, 7995 East 21st Street, Indianapolis, IN 46219.

Cemetery Details

Washington Park East

10612 E. Washington St.
Indianapolis, IN 46229

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 23. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel
9606 E. Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46229
(317) 897-9606
<https://shirleybrothers.com/>

Funeral Service

MAR 24. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



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Shirley Brothers Mortuaries & Crematory - March 24, 2020 at 03:47 PM

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Garry M Rhodes - March 23, 2020 at 11:37 AM

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“ 13 files added to the tribute wall



Garry M Rhodes - March 23, 2020 at 08:54 AM

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Garry M Rhodes - March 23, 2020 at 08:18 AM

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Garry M Rhodes - March 23, 2020 at 07:41 AM

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“ *John and Jamie Downey and kids purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James L. Rhodes.*



John and Jamie Downey and kids - March 21, 2020 at 09:51 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James L. Rhodes.*



March 21, 2020 at 09:18 AM



“ *I have so many good memories of Jim. He was a great friend to my dad. I loved being his helper for flower deliveries. For many summers we camped together with our families and had so much fun. So much time has passed but I think of these memories with great fondness. I pray for comfort and peace during this most difficult time as you remember a great man. Susie Baker Larrimore*

Susie Larrimore - March 20, 2020 at 10:40 AM



“ *Garry and Gregg our thoughts and prayers are with. I have so many wonderful memories of camping with your family and spending time together. Back in the day we could run up and down those sand dunes all day long.
I will keep you both in my prayers.
Kathy Baker Perrine*

Kathy Perrine - March 20, 2020 at 10:11 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James L. Rhodes.*



March 20, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ He was an amazing uncle. He used to 'help' me ride my laps on his bike. As an adult, we worked for the same company. I wouldn't be the person I am without uncle jim

Stephanie - March 19, 2020 at 10:09 PM

DE

“ Deborah sent a virtual gift in memory of James L. Rhodes



Deborah - March 19, 2020 at 09:44 PM

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Jim is now golfing as much as he wants. My condolences to the family. Jim is happy but it is always a great loss to the family and friends left behind.

Deborah - March 19, 2020 at 09:47 PM

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“ Jeff, Steve and family I'm so sorry for this loss for your family. He sounds like a wonderful man. Take good care of each other. I'm sure you will!



Maureen O'Hara - March 19, 2020 at 08:32 PM

JD

“ So many memories of my Uncle Jim... Spending holidays at their house (in awe over Greg and Garry's awesome slot car collection and Charlie McCarthy!), him watching me race, making fun of my "funny looking knees" when I was young, and helping me buy my first new car. While so sad and will miss him, it's actually kind of nice to smile - in these crazy times - thinking of these memories. Prayers and thoughts with all the family! - John Downey and family

John Downey - March 19, 2020 at 05:14 PM

SR

“ I'm so sorry that I will not be able to travel from Florida to be with you Joan and family at this sad time, but I will be with you in spirit. I feel like I grew up with Jim since Sharron and he were together so much and ever since my pre-teen years. So my heart aches with yet another sibling loss. Please let me know if I can be of any help at all, if nothing else a listening ear by phone or email, until I'm back in Indiana.

Sandra Drummond Reed - March 19, 2020 at 04:26 PM