



James Edward Mitchell

May 19, 1948 - March 26, 2014

Bellingham

Jim passed away peacefully at his home surrounded by family on Wednesday March 26, 2014. He was born to Joe and Toni Mitchell on May 19, 1948 in Everett, WA.

He grew up with his sister Merrillie, attended Lowell Elementary school, graduated from Everett High School in 1966 and attended Everett Community College. He helped his Dad in the families ice cream shop Englishs where in learned to run a business at an early age.

He obtained his insurance license in 1969 at the age of 21. In his 45 years in the insurance business he earned many industry awards but what he most cherished were the many friends, colleagues and clients he met and loved along this journey we call life.

He married his wife Dianne on May 21, 1977 in Bellingham and the Brady Bunch was created. Jim managed the Metropolitan Life office in the Herald Building at the time and they raised their 6 children in Racine Street where many wonderful memories were made.

Jim enjoyed his family most of all! He also enjoyed outdoor gardening, golfing,

boating in the San Juans, vacationing with his family, traveling especially to Hawaii, Mickey Mouse, Christmas (with all the outside lights), and his many collections (shells, gems, baseball cards, model cars, etc).

He loved his best friend Jesus and wanted everyone he met to know him too.

Jim is survived by his wife Dianne; daughters Katharine Carey, Christine Kirsch-Martin, Debbie Kirsch-Manson (Steven) and sons: Joe Mitchell (Tammy), Jeff Hammond (Cheri) Gunther Joe Kirsch (Tracy) Randy Wilson (Tricia); sister Merrilie and neice Shelly Sawyer both of Marysville; grandchildren Michelle, Jennifer, Brent, Kylie, Kelsey, Ava, Alyssa, Jacob, Jessie, Josh, Sierra, McKenzie ,Amanda Julia, Riley, James and 10 great-grandchildren and one more on the way.

Farewell Tribute Information

There will be a Celebration of Life on Thursday, April 3, 2014 at 11:00 AM at Christ The King Church in Bellingham, WA. A reception will follow, meeting at CTK, then to the Elks Lodge. Donations Information

Memorial donation may be made to Christ the King Missions Funds or Whatcom Hospice. Donations Links:

Whatcom Hospice

Christ The King

Tribute Wall

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“ Dianne and family I only today learned of Jim’s passing. I can only imagine how difficult this must be for you. You and Jim were such a constant light for NAIFA WA. I am sorry that he is gone. I know the bountiful memories will bring you great peace and love to carry on with the family and community the two of you built.
Much love to you Dianne Bhaj

Bhaj Townsend - March 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM