



James T. Swartout

October 18, 1940 - May 30, 2018

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Tribute Wall

PF

“ I was just made aware of the loss of Jim and send my condolence to his family and friends. I knew Jim a very long time ago in Madison, WI where I was a student at UW and took over Jim's spot as the bartender at the (in)famous Kennedy Manor at 1 Longdon Street. Jim was a great guy to all who knew him and I will always remember how many true and close friends Jim had in Madison because Jim was always a true friend in return.

Deepest Sympathy

Peter Fowler

Peter Fowler - June 27, 2018 at 12:15 PM

BC

“ Dear Ginny,
I am saddened to hear of your great loss.
Please know that I am holding you and your two fine sons close to my heart.

Fondly, Brook Carl

brook carl - June 17, 2018 at 08:09 PM

JC

“ My sincere condolences to Ginny and family. Jim was a good friend since 1990 and I will miss his presence and his smiles and the wildlife viewing with him.

john camacho - June 05, 2018 at 10:14 AM

AM

“ I am saddened and teary eyed Ginny, Jim and Rob. Sooo many great memories from the restaurant, when we gals helped with serving the “camp” dinners, to just being great friends. We will truly miss Jim and his “peachy” response to the end of his many conversations and stories.
Peace and love to you and the family. Annie “Kelly” Miller and family

Ann Miller - June 04, 2018 at 02:05 PM

JA

“ We have so many fun memories of times spent at Osprey and Lake Kawagasauga with Jim and Jinny and family! Jim was so great at putting together people and fishing and of course great wine. We are so saddened by this sudden loss of Jim. We send our love and wishes to his family and friends for the ability to remember all the good Jim brought to us all. “Mikey” and Janet Bowen

Janet - June 04, 2018 at 09:58 AM

TS

“ HAIL TO THE CHIEF!!

Jim consistently rallied his troops to attain amazing results. He was a mentor, an educator, a motivator, and a friend. Jim shaped so many lives and careers. It was an honor to be among them. One of his favorite toasts....."There are damn few of us left" now rings so true.

My sincerest sympathy to Ginny, Jim, Rob and their families.

TAS

Tom Stephens - June 04, 2018 at 07:09 AM

KW

“ Jim was a mentor and friend for most of my adult life. Jimmy was 2 years old when I went to work for Jim in Southern California. Professionally he helped me be the best I could be. Those of us in his businesses benefited from his leadership and wisdom, with good doses of humor.

Most importantly I send my heartfelt condolences to Jinny, all of the children and grandchildren. There are no words I can express other than the wish for the long process of healing for the family. I am so fortunate to have known Jim. Blessings.

Kristine Wells - June 03, 2018 at 06:49 PM

AS

“ I would ask for a better ucle I ever had we had fun times with you up north and family events like family reunions and weddings I love you so much we will missyou lots. amy and rick statz

amy statz - June 02, 2018 at 09:05 PM

JS

“ From the day I came into the family I will always remember Jim as the Roll King. He loved his rolls at whatever function we were at. He had his business side and his humorous side. He was loved by so many people. Who could ever ask for a better brother-in-law. RIP Jim. We love you and miss you already. Matt & jane

Jane swartout - June 02, 2018 at 10:37 AM

JF

“ My sincere condolences to Ginny and the boys. Jim was truly one of a kind. He had more friends than anyone I have ever known. He kept many of us Chi Psi's together for years and that tradition will continue, I'm sure. Too many memories to detail here, but they are all good ones and they are filled with Jim's wonderful sense of humor. YITB, John Forester

John Forester - June 02, 2018 at 09:32 AM

BL

Jim was one of the leaders in our Chi Psi class. Always a jovial time with Jim for 4 years in Madison and many alumni gatherings after graduation. God be with the family and we will savor the many memories. Ginny and family our sincere sympathy.
Bob and Lyn Listeck

bob listeck - June 05, 2018 at 11:11 AM

TM

I was a fraternity brother and roommate during Jim's last two years of college in Madison. As John mentioned above, Jim was a social magnet who brought smiles, joy and laughter to any gathering he entered ...this was a unique trait that I have not experienced often in my lifetime, and friends loved to be around him because of it. My fond memories of Jim at that time include ...Glickstit ...Kennedy Manor ...James A. Graaskamp ...Action Central (name Jim gave our apartment on Gorham, and he made certain that we lived up to that name) ...bartending at the Kennedy Manor Bar ...a very fast motorcycle ride (I was the passenger, and felt lucky to get off) ...Jim's pure alcohol drink that he would mix with anything he could find ...the Holy Land poster that Jim bought to cover the hole we put in the wall at Action Central. There were others ...at a gathering, some time after college, Jim told numerous stories that I didn't remember, but were wonderful in his presentation. I recently learned of Jim's passing from fraternity brothers in Milwaukee ...I feel a significant loss ...those fond memories are now more hazy, Rest in peace ...Jim. YITB - Tom Mellencamp

Tom Mellencamp - June 29, 2018 at 03:44 PM