



James Chalmers

March 9, 1927 - January 17, 2017

James Chalmers of Ossining, NY, passed away peacefully on January 17 at the age of 89. Born in Barmill, Ayrshire, Scotland on March 9, 1927, James served as a Sergeant in the Corpl. J. Bell's Squad in the Scots Guards, where he was stationed in Germany after WW2. He also was a drummer in the Scots Guards Pipe Band. He married Margaret Mackie in 1950 and they emigrated to Canada in 1952 in 1962 they moved to New York. James was a bricklayer and stonemason and member of the Stonesetters Local 84. He was a snare drummer with the Yonkers Kiltie Pipe Band and Stamford Kiltie Pipe Band for many years and upon his retirement remained active in the pipe band community. Upon his retirement in 1992, James travelled extensively and was also a Volunteer at Phelps Memorial Hospital for over 20 years. He was preceded in death by his wife Margaret in 1980. James is survived by three children: Marion Cardoza of Tomball, TX, John of Bethel, CT, and Christina Spieles of Stephens City, VA; five grandchildren: Bobby and Jimmy Cardoza, Andrew and Cameron Spieles and Maggie Reyes; and two great-grandchildren. Reposing, Dwyer & Vanderbilt Funeral Home on Wednesday Jan. 25, 2017 from 2-4PM and 7-9 PM. Where funeral services will be held on Thursday at 11 AM. Interment, Sleepy Hollow Cemetery, Sleepy Hollow, N.Y. to follow. DWYER & VANDERBILT FUNERAL HOME 90 N. Broadway Tarrytown, New York 10591 914-631-0621

Tribute Wall

BM

“ *Mark and I miss Jim so very much. Jim was a kind and humble man. We watched out for each other and just knew we were Family. We are sure that Jim is in God's loving embrace and in an eternally, healthy, peace in Heaven. We love Jim and he will always be in our heart's memory and prayers.*

Bo and Mark - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

BM

“ *A candle was lit by Bo and Mark*

on January 25, 2017 2:55 PM

Bo and Mark - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

CG

“ *Jim "joined" our family around 20 years ago. Marguerite's granddaughters LOVED when Jim would join us. He had a way of teasing them that made them feel special and "in on a secret". They loved to hear "aye" instead of yes. We all loved listening as he would spin a tale, which he had for most every conversation. I will miss the way he would say "Catherine", and ahhh well. As both Mom and Jim slowed down, he continued their afternoon excursions for coffee and companionship. He remained a light in her life and in ours as well.*

Catherine Glaab - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

DM

“ James rode with John and I to band practice with Manchester Pipe Band multiple times. He loved listening to the band and was always at the Round Hill Games with us. I lost my dad when I was 22 and I say this because look how fortunate you were John and sisters to have your dad in your lives and active for so long! Cherish the memories with him and know he's in a great place listening to the pipes now.

Daniel MacRae - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

EX

“ A candle was lit by Elaine, Andrew and Catriona xxx
on January 25, 2017 7:25 AM

Elaine, Andrew and Catriona xxx - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

CP

“ We are all saddened by Jim's passing and send our deepest sympathy to his family members.

Each of us has happy and vivid memories of Jim, both in Scotland and in USA. Every contact was one of joy and of mirth.

I (Allister) recall my boyhood - when he was my big cousin and spoiled me rotten. I got many things passed on to me, football (soccer) jerseys and, on one occasion, a steam engine which became a particular favourite of mine.

When he and Margaret got married, they lived with my Aunt and Uncle in Beith. Jim told me then that they lived in USA - UpStairs in the Attic. Well they eventually did live in the USA.

I am sorry that we are unable to be with you for the funeral but, be reassured, that we will be thinking of you at that time and on many other times.

On one occasion Jim took me to visit Margaret's grave and he will now be joining her there. What a beautiful setting it is - overlooking the Hudson River and very quiet and peaceful. My memory is that it is a place of perfect repose.

Cousin Allister, Elza and extended family in Aberdeen, Inverkip, Newcastle-Upon-Tyne and Prestwick - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

ES

“ A Traditional Funeral Basket was sent on January 24, 2017
Dear John and Family,

*Thinking of you during this difficult time. Sending love and prayers.
Love,
The Gunthel Family
Rich, Dawn, Ava and Richie*

Expression of Sympathy - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

ES

“ A Spathiphyllum was ordered on January 23, 2017

Expression of Sympathy - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

NC

“ Marion, Johnny, Christina and families

*So sorry to hear the very sad news of your Dad's passing. We all have many fond memories and so pleased we were able to visit him a couple of years ago for a birthday lunch. He was so happy to see his " real wee nurse from Scotland" when she was on holiday last year. We have no doubt he will be sorely missed by many.
In everlasting memory - always in our hearts.*

Nina, Ian, Elaine, Andrew and Catriona - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

NX

“ A candle was lit by Nina and Ian xx

on January 22, 2017 6:59 AM

Nina and Ian xx - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

RM

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you!*

Roger McClellan - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

RM

“ *A candle was lit by Roger McClellan*

on January 21, 2017 8:30 PM

Roger McClellan - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

CF

“ *Our sincere sympathy to Marion, Bob and the entire Cardoza family.*

Dinah and Norman Rose

Cooper City, Florida - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

JR

“ *I knew Jim (I called him Shamus) for many years. It seemed everyone at Phelps knew him. Without a doubt he was a ladies' man. All the nurses were fond of him. He had such a friendly demeanor that he was hard not to associate with.*

We have already missed Jim since he resigned his post several years ago. His brightness and spirit were a joy to everyone he met. He had a typical "whatever" attitude typical of the Scots. I loved talking with him. He was always upbeat and ready to do whatever to make people happy and comfortable.

There are few people like Jim. He will be (and has been) sorely missed.

Jim Reidy - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

DC

“ A candle was lit by Dear father of my son's wife. RIP Marion Cardoza

on January 19, 2017 5:56 PM

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SS

“ A candle was lit by Shirley Spieles

on January 19, 2017 4:06 PM

Shirley Spieles - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

ES

“ A Spathiphyllum was ordered on January 19, 2017

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JN

“ A candle was lit by John Naples

on January 19, 2017 3:47 PM

John Naples - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

ES

“ A Traditional Funeral Basket was ordered on January 19, 2017

Expression of Sympathy - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

RC

“ *A candle was lit by Richard Concepcion*

on January 19, 2017 3:18 PM

Richard Concepcion - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM

GN

“ *What a great guy!!! I am so lucky to have known him and enjoyed a laugh with him on many occasions, particularly at the Round Hill Games. Our deepest sympathies and condolences to John and the rest of the family. Peace be to you all. May he Rest In Peace. Susan and JC Allieux*

Goshen, NY - March 28, 2019 at 04:57 PM