



James Patrick Huffman

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Huffman, James Patrick, most recently of Hollywood, FL and formerly of Chicago, IL passed away on December 7, 2019.

Jim was born January 13, 1939 to the late Maurice Huffman and Lutie (Patrick) Huffman. He attended Lane Tech College Prep and worked after school as an usher at the Chicago Theater. At 17 years old he joined the US Army and was stationed in Germany where he proudly served our country for 3 years.

His passion for the transportation industry led him to driving a bus for the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA). He then studied at Chicago Technical College.

Jim's long-term career was a draftsman, notably working as a Structural Designer at Sargent & Lundy Engineers. In the early 80's he was hired to assist in the engineering design of the Epcot Ball in Orlando, FL. His work was highly respected and will live on through the hundreds of railings on high rise buildings throughout South Florida, Bahamas and as far as Hawaii.

Jim and Sophie married in 1966, then moved to the east coast of Florida in 1982. Although he enjoyed the sunshine, his heart has remained loyal to "sweet home Chicago". Jim had many hobbies and interests, and was an avid reader. His nostalgia for history led him to this vast collecting of memorabilia.

Left behind are his wife of 53 years, Sophie, daughter Cathy (Larry) Brackett, and son Maurice (Sheila); 3 grandchildren, Lindsay, Lauren and Rowan; 6 great-grandchildren, Caden, Nora, Charlotte, Hadley, Carter and Nolan; and several loving nieces and nephews.


In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his brother John (Jack) Huffman (WWII veteran) and sister-in-law, Lois Huffman.


In lieu of flowers please send donations to The Holocaust Documentation and Education Center at HDEC.org where he generously volunteered his time.

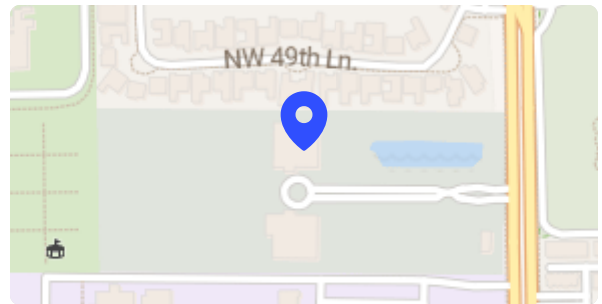


Chapel Service


 **Monday**, December 9, 2019

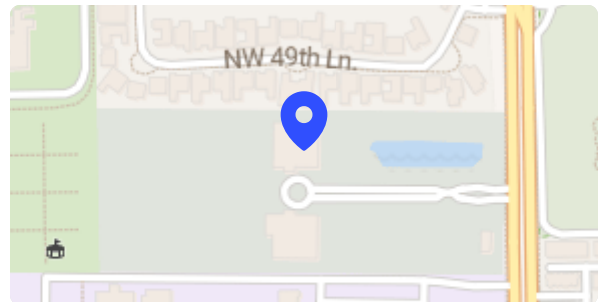
 12:30 PM ET

 **The Gardens Mausoleum**
4103 Military Trail, Boca Raton FL



Cemetery Details

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Tribute Wall

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Bob Huffman posted:

It has been almost two years since we lost our Uncle. Jim was my father Jack's only Brother and he was a constant presence in our formative years, spending time with my brothers and I playing board games, taking us on trips to see our relatives in Michigan, inviting us to spend the weekend with him in Chicago riding along on the CTA bus he was driving (I'm certain this had a profound influence on me when choosing transportation planning as a career), and assisting me in the design and implementation of a new business. Jim was very intelligent, outspoken 😊, conversant on any topic especially transit, successful in the drafting business, was relentless in researching the family lineage, but will be most remembered for always maintaining connections with his family and friends and being present in their lives to the end! Jim has left a legacy that will be long remembered. He has earned eternal rest. In aeternum, patruae, ave atque vale!

November 16 at 10:01 AM



Anonymous sent a Sentiments of Serenity Spray to the Huffman family.



December 9 at 4:58 AM



George Hughes posted:

I am so sorry to learn of the passing of my long time friend . Jim and I were young 17 year old soldiers when we were growing up in Germany.Jim was truly a fine man and I will miss his E-Mails very muchRest in peace my friendGeorge Hughes

December 8 at 5:57 AM



Billy Rojas posted:

Jim was a friend of mine since grade school in Chicago. I will miss him greatly.So many memories of those years, our mutual fascination with geography,history, science fiction, railroads, the story of Israel, and much more.As kids we visited libraries together to try and learn as much as we couldin a competition we had with each other to discover the most unusual facts about the nations of the world. He gave me person-to-person instructionin how to learn to use a computer, in 2004, for which I will forever be grateful.A true friend I will never forget.So long, Jim, it was a privilege to have known you.Billy RojasEugene, Oregon

December 7 at 8:34 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring James by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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