



Dr. James E. Vickers

March 7, 1934 - December 12, 2008

Dr. James E. Vickers, 74, of Cottonwood died December 12, 2008. He was born March 7, 1934 in Jerome, Arizona to Emmett and Louise (Reed) Vickers. Jim graduated from Marshfield High School in Coos Bay, Oregon. He completed his undergraduate work at the University of Oregon and received his Doctorate of Optometry from Pacific University in Forest Grove, Oregon. Jim practiced Optometry in Phoenix for 45 years and upon leaving dedicated his time and equipment to the Old Town Mission in Cottonwood, Arizona. Jim was extremely proud of and dedicated to his Jerome birthplace and his deepest passion was cooking, trying a new recipe everyday. He had many interests and hobbies besides cooking he loved gardening, antique trucks, traveling and most of all spending time with family and friends. He is survived by his wife Jean (Hustwit) Vickers, his daughters Jimmi Vickers and Vickie (Walt) Donovan, step sons Lou (Debbie) Smith and Timothy (Tina) Smith, his grandchildren Trinity, Travis, Tara, Tanner, Brandon, Dakota and Sean; his sisters, Dorothy (Al) DeLaO, Anna (Duane) Anderson, Susan (Ken) Downer; nephews Rick, Brian and Chris; nieces Deborah, Kim and Jolene. A memorial service will be held on Sunday, December 28 in the Westcott Funeral Home at 1 PM followed by a reception in Westcott's reception room. Per Dr. Vickers request, in lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Verde Valley Humane Society, P O Box 1429, Cottonwood, AZ 86326 for the neutering of feral cats. An online guestbook is available at www.westcottfuneralhome.com

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Tribute Wall

ST

“ Jean and family, I was so very sorry to hear of your loss. I will remember Jim as always smiling and bringing a smile to those around him. I will also remember the joy he brought to your life Jean. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Shari Tomlinson

Shari Tomlinson - June 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM

LS

“ Jean, my deepest sympathies. I will always remember that big smile Jim brought into my office and the bank. He was truly one of the happiest customers I have dealt with in my entire banking career. I will cherish the many years he brightened my day.

Lori Simmons - June 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM

HJ

“ Your cousin "Chuck" was my best friend when growing up in Jerome. Talking to you at our Jerome reunions, brought back a lot of those good memories. You will sorely be missed at all our future reunions. God be with you.

Harold Johnson - June 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM

FB

“ Dear Jean and family, I went to high school in Coos Bay with Jim. Several years ago, I visited your home with Helen and Ken Looney, we enjoy a great lunch and talked about old times. I am very sorry to hear of his death, and send my sincere condolences.

Florence Billett - June 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM

KL

“ Jim was a great friend from school days in Coos Bay, OR. It was good to see him at our last class reunion and have him come to visit us. He was a jovial guy and fun to be around. Our condolences to his family. Sincerely Ken and Helen Looney

Ken/Helen Looney - June 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM

WG

“ Jean and family, Sorry to hear of Jim's passing,he'll be sorely missed.Such a fine person and I'm glad to have known him.He must have touched so many people's lives through his professional and social life.I know I'll miss having coffee and sharing our little BS sessions.He will be in our memories and thoughts forever. Best regards, Walter Glynn and family.

Walter Glynn - June 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM

PB

“ I have many fond memories of Jim as a classmate in school and in Sunday School. He obviously led a vary rewarding and productive life. My condolences to the family.

Patty Fitzwalter Borchert - June 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM

CC

“ Jim had a great consitution and outlook on life. To know him was to be fond of him.

Charles E. Carlborn - June 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM

JM

“ My Dearest Uncle Jim, You will be greatly missed.You will however live on in our hearts, and until all our souls can be together again. My prayers be forever with you. Your niece,Jolene

Jolene McAbee - June 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM

JH

“ *Tomato Man! I will miss you and I am sorry to see you go! Always a joke, always a friendly laugh and always time for a cocktail and something out of the kitchen! Jim was a good friend and we used to joke and laugh over the almost 20 years we knew each other. Seems we met when I was designing and selling water treatment equipment. Jean, I am sorry for your loss. I am sure your friends and family, as part of what you and Jim accomplished, will be of great comfort to you.. NamastÃ©* ”

Jim Hamilton - June 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM

TS

“ *Jim and I were close friends in high school. As we meant from time to time in later life, the one thing that always stood out was Jim's positive attitude and outlook on life. I think this was even more so when Jean came into his life. Anyone who knew him will miss him.* ”

Tom Stamper - June 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM

KA

“ *Jean, I have such wonderful memories of Uncle Jim. One of the things I will miss is his laugh, he had such an awesome laugh. I'll miss him.* ”

Kim Anderson - June 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM

LF

“ *We met Jim when we were newlyweds looking for a place to live and he rented us the tiny pool house of his estate in Phoenix. That was 40 years ago and we have loved him ever since. The wonderful memories, the laughter, remain in our hearts forever. Our sincere condolences to you, Jean. He was a special man; he will be missed.* ”

Lin and Linda Frasier - June 20, 2022 at 03:14 PM