



James A. Duncan

October 13, 1947 - April 17, 2013

After a valiant fight with brain cancer, Jim passed away on April 17, 2013 at his home with loving family surrounding him. Jim was born October 13, 1947 in McMinneville, Oregon to Alfred J. and Daisy A. (Robertson) Duncan. They lived in Willamina, Oregon until Jim was 13 when they moved to Springfield, Oregon where he attended and graduated from Thurston High. He played football and baseball for his high school. Upon graduation, he attended Southern Oregon University where he played varsity football for four years. He met his wife Judy there. Jim joined the US Air force in June 1969. He married Judy (Brooks) on December 27, 1969, and they spent four years in Denver Colorado where Jim served at Lowry Air Force Base. Jim graduated from the University of Oregon in 1974. In 1980 the family moved to Bend where they opened a small lumber yard, Frontier Cash and carry and ran that business until 1999 when it was closed. He then worked for Parr Lumber, mostly in Redmond office till that store closed in 2009. Four years ago he and his wife purchased the Invisible Fence brand Co. for the Central Oregon area, which he ran till his illness prevented him to do so. He continued to consult with his wife on the business till his death. Jim was a very proud member of Bend Sunrise Lions for more than 25 years, and chaired the 4 of July Lions breakfast for many years. His hobbies were working of the family beach cabin, good times with his friends and golf, golf and more golf. He will be remembered as a man with a quick smile, a great heart to help others and a wonderful husband, father and grandpa. He is survived by his wife, Judy,

daughter Molly and son-in-law Brian Wirges, son Travis, daughter-in-law Denette, grandchildren Jaylin, Savanna Robinson, Aurie, Cash and Skout Duncan. He is also survived by his sister Jan Gunsolley of Springfield, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, mother and brother. Special thanks to all Jims great doctors at BMC Cancer center, and St. Charles. Also thanks to Partners in Care and Visiting Angels. You all made the quality of his days the best they could possibly be during his illness. A celebration of Jims life will be Friday, April 26 at the Old Stone Church on Franklin in Bend at 2:00 PM. In lieu of flowers please consider a donation to Partners in Care, 2075 NE Wyatt Ct., Bend, OR 97701 or to the Bend Sunrise Lions Club, P.O. Box 7769, Bend, OR 97708. His family is very proud to have donated his cornea to the Lions Eye Bank, and his brain tissue to study Glioblastoma brain cancer in laboratories all across the United States.

Funeral Home:

Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home New
105 NW Irving Ave
Bend, OR
US 97701

Tribute Wall

MF

“ *Judy, I just learned of Jims passing and my heart goes out to you and your wonderful family truly a loss. May the pain of your loss make way for the comfort of all those years of treasured memories.*
Maryanne Freedman

Maryanne Freedman - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ *A note to Judy and the Duncan family .. My son, David Thomson in Juneau, e-mailed with this family news. Its been years since being with the extended Thomson . perhaps the last time was the family get together on the Oregon coast .Davids children Peg perhaps 8 .David..5??? were the among the youngest. Daughter Peg had just moved from Aloha, Oregon to Indianapolis and didnt attend We did stop in Eugene on a return trip for a Southeast Asia posting.probably Burmaabout 1961 . have a picture of then-husband Gene, nearly falling out of a chair, as Kathryn approached with a lighted birthday cake .that Thomson family was something else. Good that son David is in occasional contact .and he sends news know you miss the companionship .you two had a varied, exciting, challenging life ===s good memories. Aunt (was for 20 years)*
Barbara Thomson in Indianapolis

Barbara Thomson - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AD

“ *Judy, Travis and Molly, I just heard about Jim and am so very, very sorry. He was always so friendly and gracious to me. Am so very sad for your loss. Sincerely, Anne Van Dusen*

Anne Van Dusen - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

LD

“ Judy, We were so saddened to hear of your husbands passing. Meeting you and Jim on our first and only houseboat trip to Shasta became the highlight of that vacation. We were remembering Jim scored the top crash and your friends gave him the T-shirt to claim him the winner. That was fun. visiting with you in passing on the Butte has been a nice result. We are so sorry about your loss. Our thoughts are with you and your family.

Lee and Linda Davis - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ Dear Judy and family we are deeply saddened to learn of Jims passing. Our heart goes out to you in your time of sorrow. We are sending you lots of supportive hugs and love. Wishing we could be there. Please accept our heartfelt sympathies for your loss during this difficult time and our thoughts and prayers are with you. Invisible Fence team in Kingston, WA .

Karyn, Bob, John, Laura, Casey - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KF

“ Judy, Molly, and all of Jims wonderful family I just saw Jims life story in the online obituarieswe send our very best heart energies to all of you as you cope with the changes and his passing to a different adventure spot. Judy big big hug to you-we love you over here at this house! Kathy, Mike, Kieran and the 2 houdini dogs

Kathy Hoyt and family - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ Another classmate let me know today that Jim had been ill and passed April 17th. Three or so years ago we had a classmate gathering at our home in Walterville and Jim was a great help finding phone number and addresses of our classmates. What happy day that was to have a nice group of classmates here. Jim had not changed at all. His smile, his quiet voice, good stories and caring of everyone around him. We all thought of Jim as a truly great guy. To Jims wife, Judy, and extended family our hearts go out to you all. We are way too young for this passing. Bless your heart Jim Duncan..

TrudyAnn Shupe-Parker Gripp - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Judy and family, Marks and my deepest condolences go out to you at this time. May your family love, mourn, support each other and remember Jim with fondness. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you. Joey

joey.drucker@facebook.com Drucker - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

AL

“ My condolences to the family. Its consoling to know that in just a little while longer our deceased loved ones will be restored to life with the prospect of never dying. John 5:28,29

Alexanders - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BW

“ Dear Judy and family, Our thoughts are with all of you. Words cannot describe how much we will miss our very dear and special friend. Bob and Nancy Wilson

Bob and Nancy Wilson - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

RG

“ Judy, our hearts go out to you and the family Jim was a wonderful man that will be greatly missed. Our prayers are with you all.

RL & Kathie Garrigus - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. A remarkable man and a remarkable family. -Shelley Lindsey

Shelley - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GK

“ judy- very sorry to see Jims obituary in todays(24th) paper. I could always just sense the love you both shared. remember and treasure all the great years you shared.

gene klopfenstein - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Jim was an exceptional person, always kind, always helpful, always looking at the positive side of life. His heart was filled with caring for others, and this was repeatedly demonstrated by his generous giving of his time and his resources. His love for Judy and his family was immense. It was an honor and a privilege to have known him. May your memories bring a measure of comfort.

Peter Hoover - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

ML

“ Our sincere sympathy goes out to all of the Duncan family. We remember his smile and laughs at the games we saw him out. Happy he was able to see Molly get married and to also see his grandchildren. Prayers to all of you.

Mike and Judy Lunny - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Oh, dear, Judy and family I was so very sad to learn of Jims passing he was a terrific fellow and gave so much to the community of Bend my deepest condolences. With love

Jan Griffin - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

VB

“ Very nice obituary, and so true. Never saw Jim without a happy disposition. Met Jim and Judy over 20 years ago at their lumber yard. He made our starting a new business easier by his help with advice and supply. I remember years later at Sergeants Cafe I ran into Jim reading a book about the people we run into in heaven. Well Jim, Now you know. Bend will miss YOU !!!

Vern & Della Bjerk - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ I agree with the write up great smile and warm heart, We are thinking of you Judy and your family in this great loss. Gary and Carol Peters

Carol Peters - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ Dear Judy and family, How sorry we were to hear about Jims death. We last saw him at St. Charles Rehab where he was exercising with a big grin on his face. Hardly knowing him, he bear-hugged both of us and certainly made our day brighter. From fellow glioblastoma patient and caregiver, Dan and Barbara

Barbara Davey and Dan Pederson - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ *Judy and Family, So sorry to hear that Jim had passed away. We ran into he and Molly one day at the hospital rehab. center and what a great pleasure it was. I will always remember his big heart and big bear hugs. Take Care, our thoughts are with you all. Tim and Sara*

Sara Holland-Fox - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM