



James Eugene Hodges

May 24, 1959 - April 13, 2023

James ("Jim, Jimmy") Eugene Hodges sadly departed this world on April 13, 2023 in Orlando, Florida after a brief, yet fiercely fought battle with cancer.

Jim was born in Newport Beach, California to Norik Shigehara Hodges on May 24, 1959. He attended Waynesville High School in Waynesville, Missouri. Jim's professional career spanned several decades as he worked in various positions for Rockwell International, Lockheed Martin, Triumph, and Bombardier, culminating in the majority of his time spent as a manager with Northrop Grumman Corporation. His commitment to achieving excellence in all positions exceeded only by his devotion to mentoring and supporting subordinates, colleagues, and superiors defined the professional man that he was.

Jim's passionate love of family, fishing, friends, fine food, fun, all the finer things in life (to include his beloved Cowboys, Cardinals, and Bulldogs), and the fabulous times (involving all or most of these favorites) reflected the personal man that he was. Jim never met a stranger and showed kindness and compassion to everyone he ever encountered without exception.

Jim is survived by his wife, Vanessa of Ocala, Florida and five children: his daughters Susan Steele (Kevin), Jamie Hodges, Pheobe Murphy (Craig); and Lindsey Smith (Joseph); and his son, son James III.; as well as his former wife

and dear friend, Maria Hodges. Jim is also survived by 16 grandchildren (Dylan Hodges, Brayden and Caleb Steele; Chyna, Keveon, Terrie, and Naima Hodges; Mariah, Craig Jr., Cameron, Sariah, Aaliyah, and Ariannah Murphy; Joseph Jr., Nicholas and Christopher Smith). Jim is further survived by his younger sister, Major (Ret.) and Federal Judge (Ret.) Susan Whittington and brother, 1SG (Ret.) and Department of Army Civilian (Ret.) Loyd Hodges. Jim is also survived by several nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was predeceased by his mother, Norik in 2017 and his niece, Priscilla in 1982.

A memorial service is scheduled for April 29, 2023 at 1:00 p.m., at Roberts Funeral Home, 606 SW 2d Ave, Ocala, Florida.

Matthew 5:4 - "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted."

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR **29**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Roberts of Ocala Downtown Chapel
606 SW 2nd AVE
Ocala , FL 34471

Memorial Reception

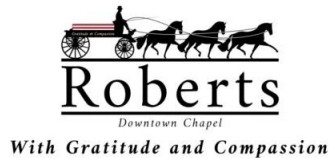
APR **29**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Roberts of Ocala Funerals and Cremations created a Webcast in memory of James Eugene Hodges*



Roberts of Ocala Funerals and Cremations - April 29, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Eugene Hodges.*



April 28, 2023 at 04:11 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of James Eugene Hodges.*



April 28, 2023 at 10:58 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of James Eugene Hodges.



April 26, 2023 at 02:29 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* was purchased for the family of James Eugene Hodges.



April 25, 2023 at 08:29 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray* was purchased for the family of James Eugene Hodges.



April 25, 2023 at 05:51 PM



“ *Your FAMILY!* purchased the *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray* for the family of James Eugene Hodges.



Your FAMILY! - April 25, 2023 at 03:17 PM



“ *Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of James Eugene Hodges.*



April 25, 2023 at 02:06 PM



“ *Glenn & Alicia Bouthot purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Eugene Hodges.*



Glenn & Alicia Bouthot - April 25, 2023 at 01:19 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of James Eugene Hodges.*



April 25, 2023 at 11:26 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James Eugene Hodges.*



April 25, 2023 at 12:12 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Eugene Hodges.*



April 24, 2023 at 10:42 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James Eugene Hodges.*



April 24, 2023 at 09:35 PM



“ *Best Grandpa EVER* ❤️



LINDSEY SMITH - April 24, 2023 at 08:47 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of James Eugene Hodges.*



April 24, 2023 at 06:22 PM

SF

“ Jim was a great man an awesome neighbor. He was so kind he would always ask if he could do anything for me when my husband passed always checking on me he will be very missed in our neighborhood. He leaves behind his memories.

sue Fanucci - April 24, 2023 at 04:41 PM

PM

“ I love you daddy. I miss you so MUCH. THANKS FOR ALWAYS BEING THERE.....



Pheobe Murphy - April 24, 2023 at 03:05 PM

FM

“ My deepest condolences to my family that mourns the loss of my uncle. He was a generous person that would literally give you the shirt off of his back and the first to ask “what are we eating” - this was our favorite thing to do together - enjoy some good food. Such a sweet soul. I'll miss him dearly.

Until we meet again!

-Lulu and family



Frances Martinez - April 24, 2023 at 12:12 PM

PM

I miss my daddy with all my heart. Everyday is a battle but I do know that I will always have an Angel by my side.

Pheobe Murphy - April 24, 2023 at 03:00 PM

FM



Frances Martinez - April 27, 2023 at 12:02 PM