



James D. Bernhardt

August 31, 1948 - May 20, 2018

James D. Bernhardt of Malvern died suddenly Sunday afternoon, May 20, 2018.

He touched many lives and everyone who knew Jim loved him, human and animal alike. He was a kind man to everyone he touched.

Jim was born in Delaware Co. and attended St. Dorothy and Devon Prep. He graduated from the University of Tampa. He lived for years in Chester Springs, moving to Malvern to care for his father-in-law before he died. Jim worked for Haly Oil Co. in their sales department. He was happiest on his mower smoking his cigar, or tinkering with his vintage Mustang he named "Maggie".

He is terribly missed by his wife Margaret, his children Amanda, Andrew (wife Kristen), and step-son Andrew O'Brien; his best friend Evelyn; the true loves of his life, his grandchildren, Rachel Emily O'Brien, Alexis Giblin, Jack and Ethan Santamaria, Aidan James and Jolene Bernhardt, Gabbi and Aubrey Pomerantz; and his dogs Dozer, Emma, Pia, and Gracie.

I join all of nature, seen and unseen, known and unknown, in singing our love for you, forever and a day. Good bye my dear friend, you are so very missed.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you send donations to Street Tails

Animal Rescue (www.streettails.org), S.T.A.R., 1030 N. 2nd Street, Unit 401,
Philadelphia, PA 19123.

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Margaret, Andrew and Family,

It was always such a pleasure seeing Jim early in the morning for his 16 ounce Wawa coffee. Depending on his schedule, he would return throughout the day for refills. All the cashiers knew to save the dollar coins for Jim. He told me it was his "Maggie Fund" but I would kid him that he was storing them for the day paper currency had no value!

After talking so much about his Maggie, I asked him to drive "Her" over so we could see her. Well, low and behold, one sunny afternoon he did a "drive by". It was a beautiful sight that I will never forget.

There was a twinkle in his eye when he spoke so fondly of his family, his dogs and his cooking. He always put a smile on my face and happiness in my heart for being with him for just a short period of time at my register.

Jim was a quiet and gentle spirit and I feel very blessed for having met him. My deepest and sincerest condolences to all of you.

Cathryn

Cathryn Albrecht - June 06, 2018 at 12:12 PM

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“ *Thanks for all the great times at pumpkin painting in the fall. I'll miss my stash of candy corn which you always remembered. To a good friend and great guy...Wally & Carol*

Wally Compton - May 24, 2018 at 08:04 PM

 Nancy
Wenger

“ *Margaret....I just can't believe this is real....I am so deeply sorry to hear this sad news for you and your family....we know Jim lived his life to the fullest in spite of any and all obstacles in his way!!! You are in our thoughts and sending you hopes for peace and comfort...so incredibly sorry for your loss....much love, Nanny and Glenn xo*

Nancy Wenger - May 23, 2018 at 09:08 PM

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“ *David and I are so very sad to hear about Jim passing away . He was truly a wonderful,kind and genuine person . Margaret and Jim's entire family will be in my thoughts and prayers . Heartbroken to hear this news . I know he will be greatly missed by his family and dogs . Love to you , Margaret.xoxo Canby*

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