



James L. "Jim" White

January 20, 1949 - April 12, 2015

James Leslie "Jim" White, 66, Topeka, passed away Sunday, April 12, 2015, at his home.

Jim was born January 20, 1949, in Topeka. He graduated from Washburn Rural High School in 1967, where he played football and basketball. He attended Baker University where he played football and was a member of Kappa Sigma Beta-Tau Chapter, earning a bachelor's degree in Business in 1971. Jim owned and operated White Construction.

Jim was always willing to lend a helping hand and was considered a jack-of-all-trades by his family. He loved to build houses for his family and help with home renovation projects. More than anything he loved his family and enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and his nieces and nephew. Jim was dearly loved and will be greatly missed.

Survivors include his daughters, Lesli Carlson, Auburn, and Jaime Woolfolk (Andre), Lenexa; grandchildren, Blake and Kaci Carlson and Sydney, Chase and Hadley Woolfolk; father, Dean White, Topeka; sisters, Vickie Mills (Don), Colorado Springs CO, and Susan Buchanan, Los Altos CA; as well as numerous nieces, a nephew and great-nieces.

Funeral service for Jim will be held 1 p.m. Friday at Kevin Brennan Family

Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614. Burial will follow at Mount Hope Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St Jude Place, Memphis TN 38105.

Cemetery Details

Mount Hope Cemetery

4700 SW 17th Street
Topeka, KS 66604

Previous Events

Funeral Service

APR 17. 1:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614
(785) 272-7888
info@kevinbrennanfamily.com

Tribute Wall



“ *James L. "Jim" White*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *I'm sorry to learn of Jim's death. I remember Jim for his strong contributions to the football and basketball teams, as well as the school environment in general, at Washburn Rural High School.*

Deb Courtner - April 17, 2015 at 12:08 PM



“ *Some of the best memories of my life was the time I spent with Jim, he taught me how to have fun and enjoy life, but also how to work hard and do the job right! I will always remember him*

Paula Kasten Standridge - April 15, 2015 at 10:58 AM



“ *Jimmy was truly a mans man and a super friend . He was always the life of the party and unbelievably funny. He also would give you the shirt off his back whenever needed. A great athlete and very bright as well. Talented home-builder and renovations pro. He will certainly be missed.*



John Shortall - April 15, 2015 at 08:33 AM

MH

Dean,

Shad and Kathy texted us from Mexico to tell you are in their prayers.

Rich & Marilyn Huncker

Marilyn Huncker - April 15, 2015 at 04:58 PM

LD

Jim and I went back a long way. I will always fondly remember the good times we had together and was always appreciative of the work he did for me as a builder.

Larry Hargreaves DDS

Larry Hargreaves DDS - April 17, 2015 at 09:46 AM

LD

Jim and I went to school twelve years together -- at least, I think we did. He was at Wanamaker Grade School for 8 years and then we went on to high school for another 4 years. Maybe he wasn't in 1st and second grade with me. He was my first crush in third grade. I bugged him constantly, and I'm sure he was very patient. Finally, one day (yes, I remember this from 3rd grade) he had had enough and said, "Listen, I'm going to pasteurize you!" I thought, "what does pasteurize mean?" Obviously he didn't know either, but I'm positive this did happen. I think you remember every word from someone whom you had a crush on. He had lovely large blue eyes. He was kind and loved by all. When I look at this photograph, it's all in the eyes. I do recognize him. I'm so sorry about his passing. To the White Family, I give my most humble condolences. Linda Edds Dawson

Linda Dawson - April 17, 2015 at 05:49 PM

SB

*To all of those who posted something about Jim--thank you!
Unfortunately this application doesn't allow me to respond directly.*

To Jim, many people told me today how much they always looked up to you. You were a star athlete, had a great sense of humor and fun to be around. Your family was always important to you and you were always interested in all of us. Rest in peace--I miss you and love you always...Sue

Sue White Buchanan - April 17, 2015 at 08:48 PM

JW

My heart sank when I found out Jim had passed. I think my heart skipped a few beats. Memories flooded my mind of us being together from the tornado taking his house to laughing to early Bill Cosby on a record player. To Vickie, Sue, & his father my sincere condolences...Jakki Quick

jakki Wilson(Quick) - July 05, 2015 at 01:08 AM