



Francis Harwood James

November 22, 1923 - September 7, 2012

Francis Harwood James of Stevensville, MD, died at his home on September 7, 2012, of pancreatic cancer. He was 88.

Born in Annapolis, MD, on November 22, 1923, he was the son of John F. James and Loversha Cantler. Mr. James grew up in Annapolis and began to work on the water on Mill Creek at the age of 12. He served in the Navy on a destroyer escort during World War II and, after he returned home, he chartered fishing parties on the Sea Gal in Annapolis. Captain James eventually returned to crabbing and opened James Seafood, in Browns Woods, MD, which he owned and operated for over 40 years. In 1993, he married the former Patricia Ann Mullican, and the couple moved to Stevensville, MD. Mr. James worked until he was 86, retiring in 2010, being one of the oldest watermen working on the Chesapeake Bay.

Mr. James enjoyed carpentry, fishing, and crabbing. He was a member of the American Legion Post 278 in Stevensville, MD, and the VFW Post 7464 in Grasonville, MD.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Ann James of Stevensville, MD; a daughter, Jo Ann Mullican of Baltimore, MD; his siblings, Pat Hale of FL, Gloria Hershey of Cambridge, MD, Leo James of Annapolis, MD, and John James of AZ; a special niece, Annette Smith of FL; and his beloved pet,

“Samantha.” He was preceded in death by his son, Francis H. James, Jr.; and siblings Audrey Syverson, Kenneth James, Betty Allen, and Joan Newman.

Friends may call at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A., 106 Shamrock Rd, Chester, MD 21619 on Monday, September 10, from 6-8 p.m.

A funeral service will be held at the funeral home on Tuesday, September 11, at 11 a.m., with friends and family invited to call beginning at 10 a.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, Mid Atlantic Division, 92 Read’s Way, Suite 205, and New Castle, DE 19720.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **10.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Chester Location / Kent Island
106 Shamrock Road
Chester, MD 21619
(410) 643-2226
info@fhfuneralhome.com

Visitation

SEP **11.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

SEP **11.** 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Francis Harwood James*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - January 23, 2023 at 12:02 PM



“ *Francis Harwood James*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Francis Harwood James*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Francis Harwood James*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Dear Ms. James,
So sorry to hear about Mr. James. I enjoyed our talks. He will be missed by many I'm sure. Frances Rodney, OT*

Frances Rodney - September 12, 2012 at 11:19 PM

LB

“ *Larry And Peggy Cole And Boys lit a candle
in memory of Francis Harwood James*



Larry and Peggy Cole and boys - September 12, 2012 at 03:00 PM

JB

“ *With a heartfelt wish that even in the midst of pain and sorrow, you
will find comfort in knowing that your loved one lives forever in the
presence of God! Prayers !*

*Remember the great memories.... things like your trip to Hawaii!
Jennifer and Ed Barnett*

Jennifer Barnett - September 10, 2012 at 06:19 PM