



James Harold Van Pelt

July 5, 1945 - December 24, 2008

James Harold Van Pelt died on Wednesday, December 24, 2008, at his home in Chester. He was 63 years old.

Born on July 5, 1945, in West Virginia, the son of the late, James Roy Van Pelt and Dorthea Barb he was a graduate of Bruce High School. Mr. Van Pelt served in the National Guard while working for American Standard in Baltimore. He later worked for Ottenburg Bakery and retired from Westinghouse. Mr. Van Pelt resided in Gambrills until 2001 when he moved to Kent Island. He enjoyed fishing with his granddaughter, Jeanette, building motorcycles, coaching in Westinghouse softball league, playing banjo, and enjoying his buddy "Sparky" the dog.

He is survived by a son, James Van Pelt and his wife, Tammy, of Chester; a daughter, Denise Wittman and her husband, Sam, of Odenton, MD; three brothers, Eugene Van Pelt and William Miller, both of PA, and Dennis Iser of SC; a sister, Sandy Pickett of Bowling Green, MD; four grandchildren, Danielle and Jeanette Cole of Odenton, MD, James Vaillancourt and Carolynn Vaillancourt of Port Charlotte, FL; and a great- granddaughter, Bryeanna Lynn of Odenton, MD.

A service will be held at 11:00 am on Tuesday, December 30, 2008, at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A., 106 Shamrock Road,

Chester, MD, where family and friends may call on Monday, December 29, from 2 to 4 pm and 6 to 8 pm.

Interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Queen Anne's, 255 Comet Drive, Centreville, MD 21617.

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James Harold Van Pelt* ”



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - October 10, 2022 at 09:24 PM



“ *James Harold Van Pelt* ”

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *James Harold Van Pelt* ”

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *James Harold Van Pelt* ”

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ Pop-Pop,
Today I was going through my DVD's trying to find something to watch when I came across your tribute video. I took it out of the drawer and sat in the middle of my room on the floor just looking at the case. After a little while I got up and read your obituary that I have hanging on my wall with all the others of people that I've lost who were close to me. I then realized that I never really got to say goodbye to you, or tell you how much I love you... So I just want you to know that I love you very much and miss you terribly. I also want you to know that I will NEVER forget you.
Love, Carolyn##imported-begin##Carolynn
Vaillancourt##imported-end##

June 02, 2010 at 08:59 PM



“ Dear Dad, I wake up everyday thinking of you, and in my heart I can't except the fact that you are no longer with us. I still think I will see you at Jimmys sitting in your rocker. I would give anything to be able to have one more day with you. There is so much I want to say to you, however God decided it was time for you to go home with him to rest. So I will continue thinking of you everyday. I hope you knew how very much I love you, I wish I could have told you while you were here. I Love you Dad, and I Miss you with every beat of my heart. Love Denise##imported-begin##Denise##imported-end##

January 27, 2009 at 03:00 PM



“ I just want to thank my sister, my wife, my mom, and all my family and friends that helped me thru this trying time. I am very lucky to have you all in my life and i hope i never lose any of you. Thank you again...Love Jim##imported-begin##James Van Pelt##imported-end##

January 01, 2009 at 06:27 PM



“ Jimmy..I'm very sorry I could not be at the funeral home. Your Dad may be gone but he sure won't be forgotten. He taught me a lot while I worked with him and helped make me a better machine repairman! If you need me for anything please call 410-789-7391. Happy New Year and good luck in your business. ED##imported-begin##Ed McNally##imported-end##

December 29, 2008 at 06:19 PM



“ Jim,
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family in this difficult time. If you need anything please don't hesitate to call. God bless you and the family. GO RAVENS!!!!!! WE ARE GOING TO MIAMI. LOVE,
STEPHANIE AND SCOTT##imported-begin##Stephanie Tress & Scott Holden##imported-end##

December 29, 2008 at 01:56 PM



“ Jim and Tammy - I'm very sorry to hear of Pop's passing. He was a very special man. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Nicole##imported-end##

December 29, 2008 at 01:51 PM



“ Jimmy
Our prayers and heart felt wishes go out to you and your family.
Your "Pop" will always be in our hearts and we are blessed to have
spent quality time with him during his last days.
Best wishes,
Mark, Jen & Alex###imported-begin##Mark, Jennifer & Alex
Winters###imported-end##

December 29, 2008 at 12:49 PM



“ Denise, sorry for your loss let me know if you need
anything.###imported-begin##Matt Ceresa###imported-end##

December 28, 2008 at 08:15 PM



“ God saw you were getting tired and a cure was not to be.
So He put His arms around you and whispered "come to Me."
With tearful eyes we watched you , and saw you pass away.
Although we loved you dearly, we could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands at rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us,
He only takes the best.###imported-begin##Carolynn V.###imported-
end##

December 27, 2008 at 01:47 PM



“ Pop- Pop, I love you so much and miss you dearly! I love you and I
will never forget you!###imported-begin##Carolynn V.###imported-
end##

December 27, 2008 at 01:23 PM



“ Jimmy, Always know I am here for you. We have a rocky road ahead of us, but together we will get thru this. Remember in your heart how proud he was of all you have accomplished. I will always be here for you, Love you Denise##imported-begin##Denise##imported-end##

December 27, 2008 at 01:19 PM



“ Jim and Tammy,
We are so sorry to hear about Dad. Know that we are praying for you and your family. We love you.##imported-begin##Jim and Denise Swindell##imported-end##

December 27, 2008 at 11:57 AM



“ Pop Pop you will always remain in my heart. I will think of you and miss you everyday. You will always remain in my heart. I love you and Miss you.##imported-begin##Danielle and Bryeanna##imported-end##

December 27, 2008 at 10:59 AM



“ Jim, I am very sorry to hear about your father. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Janine##imported-begin##Janine Thomas (King)##imported-end##

December 27, 2008 at 09:56 AM