



## James Allen Myrick

February 7, 1957 - January 5, 2022

On Wednesday, January 5, 2022, James Allen Myrick, 64, died after a valiant battle with idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis. Jim is survived by his devoted and loving wife of 44 years, Sharon (McCaffrey), daughter Jamie Lynn Myrick, grandsons Matthew Ryan Myers Jr. and Maxwell James Myers, siblings Donna Conway (Tim) and David Myrick (Kathy), Aunts Margaret “Toodles” Bennett and Judy Myrick, Uncle Joseph Bennett Jr., and mother-in-law Mary E. “Betty” McCaffrey. Jim was predeceased by his son James Allen Myrick Jr. and parents James M. and Mary C. Myrick Jr.

A proud son of Berwyn Heights, Maryland, Jim graduated from Parkdale Senior High School in Riverdale, Maryland, Class of 1975 and then completed a four-year apprenticeship with Sheet Metal Workers Local 100. Most recently, Jim served as Quality Manager at the Whiting-Turner Contracting Company in Greenbelt, Maryland.

Jim’s service to his community began as a coach for the Berwyn Heights Boys and Girls Club, but his true passion was his more than 30 years of service to Special Olympics Maryland. Most recently, Jim served as Area Director for Special Olympics Maryland, Upper Shore.

Jim could swat the skin off a baseball and whack the golf ball a mile. And you would see him every January raising money for Maryland Special Olympics by

jumping in the cold Chesapeake Bay supporting the Polar Bear Plunge.

Family and friends are invited to a visitation on Thursday, January 13, 2022 from 10:00-11:00 am at St. Christopher's Catholic Church located at 1861 Harbor Drive, Chester, Maryland 21619. A mass of Christian burial will be offered at 11:00 am. Interment immediately following at St. Peter's Cemetery, Route 50, Queenstown, Maryland. COVID-19 protection measures will be in place. MASKS WILL BE REQUIRED.

It was Jim's mission to preserve his son's legacy. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that expressions of love and sympathy be made with a memorial contribution to the Jimmy Myrick Jr. Foundation ([www.chesapeakecharities.org](http://www.chesapeakecharities.org)) which celebrates and supports individuals with differing abilities through sport, medical advocacy, and education.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery

5319 Ocean Gateway  
Queenstown, MD 21658

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Christopher's Catholic Church  
1861 Harbor Drive  
Chester, MD 21619

## Mass

JAN 13. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Christopher's Catholic Church  
1861 Harbor Drive  
Chester, MD 21619

# Tribute Wall



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



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**Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home** - January 13, 2022 at 12:02 PM



“ *James Allen Myrick*

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October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *James Allen Myrick*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *James Allen Myrick*

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January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *Denise Kelly lit a candle in memory of James Allen Myrick*



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**Denise Kelly** - January 13, 2022 at 08:39 PM

LB

*“ When I think of Jim, the first things that come to mind are his kindness, quick wit and humor, amazing bear hugs and his generosity. Many times when our paths crossed, he was working in service to others with Special Olympics events. He touched so many lives volunteering his time to make the world a better place for all. He was an amazing man and all who knew him are the better for it. It was a blessing to know him. I will never forget him. Love and prayers to the Myrick family.*



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**Lisa Boehme** - January 12, 2022 at 03:51 PM



*“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of James Allen Myrick.*



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January 12, 2022 at 02:31 PM

SB

*“ I don't have a specific memory in mind - but I do know that Jim was a passionate man, father and husband. I have always considered a Jim a friend from the first time we met through Special Olympics Maryland many years ago (as well as Sharon and Jimmy). The dedication he had for Special Olympics was true and close to him! I'm sure I will hear Jim for many years to come - giving me "ideas/suggestions" about event management and "how things should be done". He was not a shy man regarding his thoughts - and that is one of many things I will always treasure and remember about my friend - HIS PASSION!*

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**Steve Bennett** - January 12, 2022 at 11:49 AM

MJ

“ Our deepest condolences to Jamie, Sharon, and the entire Myrick family. I know how much Jim Myrick was loved by his family and by all that knew him.

Alan and I pray that God will give you comfort in your loss.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you,

Mary Jozwik and Alan Hay

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Mary Jozwik - January 11, 2022 at 11:34 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Allen Myrick.



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January 11, 2022 at 11:25 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Allen Myrick.



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January 11, 2022 at 08:04 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of James Allen Myrick.*



January 11, 2022 at 05:03 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Allen Myrick.*



January 11, 2022 at 12:58 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of James Allen Myrick.*



January 10, 2022 at 10:57 AM



“ *Oh, Sharon, we are all so sorry for your loss. I had the privilege of meeting this beautiful, funny, strong, and loving family while caring for Bubba. You just knew from the start that there was something incredibly special about this group as we witnessed their humor, tenacity, and love get through many difficult times. Sharon, your strength, advocacy, and love have known no boundaries. May you move gently forward surrounded by the love of family and friends.*

**Peggy** - January 10, 2022 at 08:50 AM

MH

“ Words can't say how sorry we are for Sharon, Jamie and the rest of Jimmy's loved ones, Jimmy was and always will be more than just a friend, people come into your lives for a reason, I sure am glad Jimmy Myrick came into mine, My god bless you all and your hearts be filled with great memories after this terrible time of sorrow.

*All of our sympathies Love you all  
Mark & Linda Hutchison*

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**Mark Hutchison** - January 10, 2022 at 07:11 AM

TF

“ We will always miss you, our forever friend Mr. Jim Myrick, especially at the midnight Super Plunge from the big tent on the Bay.  
Our love, hugs and sympathy to your family,  
Tina and Nick Fiorelli

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**Tina Fiorelli** - January 09, 2022 at 08:57 PM

EM

“ Sending our heartfelt condolences to you, Sharon, as well as your family and friends for the loss of Jimmy. Please reach out when needed for support through your difficult time.  
Ellen & Dave Miller

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**Ellen Miller** - January 09, 2022 at 08:01 PM

BA

“ I will always love Jim. He told me once that his most special part of each day was looking across the breakfast table at Bubba getting ready for the school. He thought to himself; " if this kid can take what the day might have in store for him, I can take anything". (Kids can be cruel.)

Up until that point, I was always in awe of how much he and Sharon and Jaime Lynn had given of themselves. After that I felt blessed to understand what a gift God had sent them; and, of course, how lucky Sally and I were to have shared a small part of their lives. Being Jimmy's friend was one of the great privileges anyone could ever have. I hoped I would never live in a world without my buddy and hero, but it was not God's plan. He will be part of my life forever, because of all he taught me, and because he loved me. God Bless SWAT, Love BA (pronounced BAHA by my grandkids, thanks to Little Jimmy)

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BA - January 09, 2022 at 06:23 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James Allen Myrick.



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January 09, 2022 at 09:20 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Allen Myrick.



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January 08, 2022 at 07:42 PM

SC

“ Susan Bastian Cannon lit a candle in memory of James Allen Myrick



Susan Bastian Cannon - January 08, 2022 at 05:30 PM



“ Sharon and family my thoughts and prayers are with you at this time of loss. May Jim Rest In Peace along side you awesome son. Peggy Fulton.

Peggy Fulton - January 08, 2022 at 02:17 PM

EM

To you, Sharon and your entire family and friends, sending our heartfelt condolences for the loss of Jimmy. Please take care and reach out to people when in need of love and support.  
Dave & Ellen Miller

Ellen Miller - January 09, 2022 at 07:54 PM

TC

“ The Storm Chasers purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of James Allen Myrick.



The Storm Chasers - January 08, 2022 at 01:30 PM

TS

“ Teri Somin lit a candle in memory of James Allen Myrick



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**Teri Somin** - January 08, 2022 at 12:44 PM

AT

“ Aunt Toodles lit a candle in memory of James Allen Myrick



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**Aunt Toodles** - January 08, 2022 at 08:08 AM

JB

“ Our prayers and sympathies are with you and your family. Sorry for your loss Sharon.  
Jim and Linda Blackwell

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**James Blackwell** - January 07, 2022 at 10:45 PM

SY

“ Sandi Yakupkovic lit a candle in memory of James Allen Myrick



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**Sandi Yakupkovic** - January 07, 2022 at 10:15 PM

TC

“ *TAMERA CROYLE lit a candle in memory of James Allen Myrick*



TAMERA CROYLE - January 07, 2022 at 09:47 PM

JE

“ *James Ewing lit a candle in memory of James Allen Myrick*



James Ewing - January 07, 2022 at 08:19 PM



“ *Dawn Patton lit a candle in memory of James Allen Myrick*



Dawn Patton - January 07, 2022 at 07:52 PM

CG

“ *Carole Goodnow lit a candle in memory of James Allen Myrick*



Carole Goodnow - January 07, 2022 at 07:04 PM

CC

“ Chris Clough lit a candle in memory of James Allen Myrick



Chris Clough - January 07, 2022 at 05:56 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Allen Myrick.



January 07, 2022 at 05:19 PM

AR

“ April Rieken lit a candle in memory of James Allen Myrick



April Rieken - January 07, 2022 at 11:14 AM

EC

“ Eastern Shore Dental Care lit a candle in memory of James Allen Myrick



Eastern Shore Dental Care - January 07, 2022 at 11:01 AM