



James Bernard Roy Jr.

May 12, 1963 - February 26, 2025

James Bernard Roy, Jr. 61, of Queenstown, Maryland passed away quietly on February 26, 2025, surrounded by his family and close friends.

Jim was born on May 12th, 1963, to James Bernard Roy, sr. and Genevieve “Jean” Veronica Roy (Meehling) in Baltimore, Maryland. He graduated from Kent Island High School in 1981. In 1987 he met the love of his life, Lynne (née Aorilio) whom he married in 1989 at the St Christopher Catholic Church in Chester, Maryland. Jim and Lynne shared 35 wonderful years together, living on the Eastern Shore.

Jim had a keen business acumen, having tremendous success as the owner of Beauty Schools in Maryland and Pennsylvania, a long career at Long Fence, and, for the past 11 years, as owner of Economy Tree Service. He was well known for his ambition and hard work ethic.

In 1982, Jim became a member of Alcoholics Anonymous and was 42 years sober at the time of his passing. In sobriety Jim was especially known for helping others in their recovery. He volunteered for the Queen Anne County Drug Free Coalition for 25 years and served on the Queen Anne County Drug and Alcohol Council. In addition, Jim sponsored and directed recovery outreach at the Queen Anne County Detention Center.

Jim was an active, recognized member of the community. Notably, he supported renovation efforts at the Historic Christ Church in Stevensville, contributed services-in-kind to the Queen Anne's Historical Society, and generously contributed to many other causes.

Jim had a zeal for life that was evident by his many interests. He was known for his love of fishing and crabbing, and, just for fun, he became an avid beekeeper. He enjoyed visiting Harrington Casino and the New Jersey flea markets. With a daunting collection of 30+ cowboy boots and his signature black cowboy hat, Jim loved everything western, never missing the National Finals Rodeo with his wife Lynne over the last 15 years.

Jim is survived by his wife Lynne Francis Roy, his mother Genevieve Roy, his aunts and uncles, a multitude of lifelong friends, his loving dog Cocoa, and a multitude of family and life-long friends. Jim is predeceased by his father Jim, Sr. and his beloved brother William "Billy" J. Roy. He will be greatly missed by all that knew him.

There will be a memorial gathering on Tuesday March 11th, 2025 from 5pm-8pm at Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home 408 S. Liberty St. Centreville, MD 21617. The memorial mass will be held on Wednesday March 12th, 2025 at 10:30am at St. Christopher's Catholic Church 1861 Harbor Dr, Chester, MD 21619.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation to: Friends of Queens Anne's County Animal Services, Queenstown, Maryland 21658 or to Friends of Historic Christ Church.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 11. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.
408 S. Liberty Street
Centreville, MD 21617

Funeral Mass

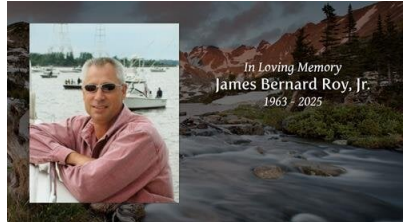
MAR 12. 10:30 AM (ET)

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 Bernard Roy Jr.*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - March 07, 2025 at 03:47 PM

HB

What a life well lived. Thank you so much Jim for all you've done for us. We will remember you..🙏

Henry J Bangert - March 08, 2025 at 12:34 PM

RH

I worked with Jim for many years at Long Fence.He was a natural with people,I was amazed how everyone loved him when I watched him on sales calls.He made my job fun.He was the best

Ray Harten - January 26 at 01:29 PM

DH

“ I worked alongside Jim for the past decade on many projects cutting trees down on our airports throughout the Eastern Shore. Jim was such a positive light and always wanted to do everything and everyone right. He is one of the most caring and thoughtful individuals I have ever encountered in the construction industry and deserves a special spot in heaven. I will deeply miss seeing his smile and getting his phone calls. There won't be a day that goes by in my career where I am planning to cut trees on an airport that I won't think of Jim.

Fly peacefully my friend!
Derek Hollinger

Derek Hollinger - March 14, 2025 at 07:38 PM

TJ

“ Jim was a good, great man. One of the good guys. He will be missed.

TJ - March 13, 2025 at 09:40 AM

PR

“ Dear Lynne, Thinking of you and Jim's Mom as well as all of his family and friends. Every time the strong winds have come through, we have thought of Jim as he was our go to fo our wooed lot. We have had the pleasure of knowing him for many years. I cannot begin to imagine your pain. Jim was such a wonderful guy. Please know we are praying for you and if I can be of any help, even though you don't know me, I will be there. Our hearts are with you.
Pat & Joe Radcliffe

Patricia Radcliffe - March 12, 2025 at 03:03 PM

AB

“ Deepest sympathies to Lynne & family. Jim lived a great life with 42 years of sobriety. I know he was an inspiration to many and will missed by all who knew him.

Anne Mannix Brown - March 11, 2025 at 11:08 PM

JG

The Universe lost a Great Man.. BIG JIIM ROY...Watch over us...Not a day will pass without you in it..Love You Brother..and Thank You for giving me the Honour of being in my life..Travel well..

jeff gerber - March 11, 2025 at 11:20 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of James Bernard Roy Jr..



March 10, 2025 at 10:25 PM

HF

“ Harrington Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of James Bernard Roy Jr..



Harrington Family - March 10, 2025 at 11:44 AM

HF

“ Harrington Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Bernard Roy Jr..

Harrington Family - March 10, 2025 at 11:44 AM

HJ

“ Henry J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Bernard Roy Jr..

Henry J. - March 08, 2025 at 12:09 PM

JK

“ Julie Kille lit a candle in memory of James Bernard Roy Jr.



Julie Kille - March 08, 2025 at 03:59 AM

JK

“ Julie K. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Bernard Roy Jr..

Julie K. - March 08, 2025 at 03:54 AM

BB

“ Bob and Barbara Burkhardt purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of James Bernard Roy Jr..



Bob and Barbara Burkhardt - March 06, 2025 at 06:53 PM

BB

“ *Bob and Barbara Burkhardt planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Bernard Roy Jr..*

Bob and Barbara Burkhardt - March 06, 2025 at 06:53 PM

BL

“ *Our thoughts and Prayers to Lynne , Jim's Mom and the Rest of his Family and Friends. Jim and I spoke every other week for the last 7 years as we had so much in common with the Tree care Industry at First is was about how many pieces of equipment I could Sell him , which turned into a Friendship worth Telling everyone about. I will Miss him Dearly. Till we Meet again Brother. RIP*

Bob Logan - March 05, 2025 at 03:43 PM

PA

“ *Sending prayers to Jim's Family, Co- Workers, Friends,, We are so sorry to lose a caring knowledgable man who was always there for us thru Economy Tree. May Jim rest in peace very happy to know him, very sad to lose him. Pam & Joe Frantz*

pam - March 04, 2025 at 01:52 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Bernard Roy Jr..*



March 03, 2025 at 08:48 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Bernard Roy Jr..

March 03, 2025 at 08:48 AM



“ The Dillings (301 PigPen) & Smigo-Bucks purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of James Bernard Roy Jr..



The Dillings (301 PigPen) & Smigo-Bucks - March 01, 2025 at 02:55 PM



“ The Dillings (301 PigPen) & Smigo-Bucks planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Bernard Roy Jr..

The Dillings (301 PigPen) & Smigo-Bucks - March 01, 2025 at 02:55 PM



“ Phil & Lois MacDonald lit a candle in memory of James Bernard Roy Jr.



Phil & Lois MacDonald - March 01, 2025 at 01:57 PM

KE

“ We are so sad to hear about Jim passing. Our hearts go out to Lynn and Jean. I looked forward to our family reunion each year. To get to see all of you. Have many happy memories. Laughter as well. Love and Prayers.

Karen Evans - March 01, 2025 at 11:51 AM

AM

“ Go rest high on that mountain, Son your work on earth is done. Rest in Peace Jim. You will be sorely missed by many.



Ann Martin - February 28, 2025 at 04:48 PM



“ Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Bernard Roy Jr..



February 28, 2025 at 02:15 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Bernard Roy Jr..

February 28, 2025 at 02:15 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Bernard Roy Jr..*



February 28, 2025 at 02:12 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Bernard Roy Jr..

February 28, 2025 at 02:12 PM



“ *Donna Lynn Cawley lit a candle in memory of James Bernard Roy Jr.*



Donna Lynn Cawley - February 28, 2025 at 11:54 AM



Jim was such a nice man! Very kind and generous! Great customer! So sorry for the family's loss. Prayers for comfort for all.

Donna Lynn Cawley - February 28, 2025 at 11:55 AM



“ *I so enjoyed getting to know Jim through the Historic Christ Church committee. He definitely kept us entertained. His relationship and respect for Miss Nancy Cook was very evident. He will be sorely missed.*

Kathryn Christopher - February 28, 2025 at 11:03 AM

TS

“ Tracy Schulz lit a candle in memory of James Bernard Roy Jr.



Tracy Schulz - February 28, 2025 at 09:25 AM

WM

“ Sorry to hear of the passing of Jim. He was a special person. Always willing to help. Our prayers are with you. He will be missed.



Wayne and Pat Morris - February 28, 2025 at 09:17 AM

EC

“ Eastern Shore Dental Care lit a candle in memory of James Bernard Roy Jr.



Eastern Shore Dental Care - February 28, 2025 at 08:48 AM

LI

“ We will miss seeing your boat putter out of the cove and for taking our grandson on your crab hunting excursions. You were always so kind and generous. Billy so enjoyed your chats and jokes at the end of our pier. You will be missed by all of us who knew you. Sending love to your family, Billy & Leslie Isaac

Leslie Isaac - February 28, 2025 at 08:41 AM

PP

“ *Our deepest condolences. John and Pat Potvin*



Patticia and John Potvin - February 27, 2025 at 09:30 PM

BB

“ *Belinda Brown lit a candle in memory of James Bernard Roy Jr.*



Belinda Brown - February 27, 2025 at 06:51 PM

AH

“ *Angel Huffman lit a candle in memory of James Bernard Roy Jr.*



Angel Huffman - February 27, 2025 at 06:49 PM

KG

“ Jimmy, thank you tremendously for being a true inspiration to many of us. So many of my childhood memories involve you. I will always be grateful for the amount of love you showed to all of the kids in the family. I will miss you and your cowboy hat at the family reunions. I'm sad to see you go but I'm so glad you're no longer in pain. Rest easy cousin. I know Uncle Jim and Billy were there to greet you at those pearly gates ❤️



Karen Garnett - February 27, 2025 at 05:58 PM

NB

“ Nelson Burruss lit a candle in memory of James Bernard Roy Jr.



Nelson Burruss - February 27, 2025 at 05:42 PM

NB

Jim was an awesome person, friend and my cousin, his positive approach and joy made a great impact on me in my life . I will truly miss him. God Bless.

Nelson Burruss - February 27, 2025 at 05:47 PM

JG

Jim was a true gentleman, hard working man. He was a friend to everyone.

Joan Gray - February 28, 2025 at 07:40 AM

RC

So sorry to learn of this. Jim was an inspiration and mentor to many. A true gentleman who will be sorely missed. May his memory be a blessing.

Russell Cadorette - February 28, 2025 at 02:41 PM

JK

Lynne, my thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Jim was a kind and generous man. I am so grateful that our paths met and we became friends.

Julie Kille - March 08, 2025 at 03:49 AM

SC

Jim Roy was a great man, boss and friend. He was always larger than life.

Steve Crabb - May 19, 2025 at 02:40 PM