



James Ferdinand Cheezum

May 12, 1931 - August 1, 2011

James Ferdinand Cheezum died on Monday, August 1, 2011. He was 80.

Born May 12, 1931 to the late, James F. Cheezum, Sr. and Ann Baker Cheezum. While in school, Jim was active in many sports, including football and boxing, before graduating from Centreville High School in May 1948.

Upon graduating from High School, Jim entered the United State Navy, where he remained until he was Honorably Discharge in 1952. During his term in the Navy, he met Ida Marie Schultz and the married on November 5, 1951. Jim began his career as an adjuster for the Maryland Credit Finance Company. He then became an inspector for Tidewater Fisheries. He later entered the Natural Resources Police. Destiny would then call Him to Wye Island Natural Resources Management Area, where he was Manager for approximately thirteen years. He will be remembered for many positive accomplishments: great chicken and golden oyster bisque, good humor, beautiful gardening (especially his (Iris bed) and a natural managing disposition.

Jim enjoyed a full retirement including furniture making, camping, traveling, dancing and boating.

He was a member of the Queenstown Lions Club, Kent Island Yacht Club, Grasonville, V.F.W., Denton American Legion, Post 29 and the Faternal Order

of Police.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Cheezum is survived by two sons, James Roy and Joseph Mark; five grandchildren, Lynn, Jamie, D.J., Zandy and Jacob and four great grandchildren, Cierra, Kalley, Alexa and Conner. He was preceded in death by two sisters, Betty Seese and Doris Hunt.

A Memorial Mass will be held at Mother of Sorrows Catholic Church on Monday, August 15, 2011 at 2:00 PM.

Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimers Assoc., Eastern Shore Chapter,
909 Progress Circle, Suite 400, Salisbury, MD 21804.

Previous Events

Service

AUG 15. 2:00 PM (ET)

Our Mother of Sorrows Church
303 Chesterfield Avenue
Centreville, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *James Ferdinand Cheezum*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *James Ferdinand Cheezum*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *James Ferdinand Cheezum*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of Mr. Cheezum's passing.*

My grandmother was Mary Cheezum d. 1985. She was married to Milton Nelson d.1950, of Galestown MD.

Likely I'm a relative.

Take Care,

Dan Nelson

Auburn GA

TreeCo@bellsouth.net##imported-begin##Dan Nelson##imported-end##

August 18, 2011 at 01:35 PM



“ Marie, JR, and Joey,
We have many wonderful memories of your Dad. CMS, Wye Island, and the KIYC are places where our lives intersected. He was a pleasant man with lots of good qualities. The one that stands out the most to us was his love of family.
So sorry we will not be able to attend the funeral, but we want you to know you are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Bill and Norma Patton##imported-end##

August 12, 2011 at 03:20 PM



“ My sincere sympathy to Marie and all the family. Time may have passed but the memories during our friendship have not been forgotten. May he rest in Peace, Fondly,
Gene##imported-begin##Gene Prevost##imported-end##

August 10, 2011 at 05:57 PM



“ We will never forget the good times we had boating on Wye Island. Most of all, Jim and Marie loved a good time and always welcomed their friends with open arms. What a great couple so full of life! Jim loved to dance... and drink his favorite beverage from his 'mason jar'! Jim, rest in peace. Our prayers to all the family. Love, Ann and Joe##imported-begin##Joe and Ann Haymaker##imported-end##

August 05, 2011 at 06:48 PM



“ To the family I am sorry to hear of Jim Cheezum's passing. I met him twice as a park ranger and he was so welcoming to me each visited Wye Island. Oh the food he had made was great too. May God bless the family.##imported-begin##michael brown##imported-end##

August 05, 2011 at 07:21 AM



“ So very sorry to hear about Mr. Jim. He was a wonderful man with a great sense of humor. I will always remember his Stetson - one of the few men on the east coast who looked good in one. My deepest sympathy to his family.

Patricia, Brenda and Beth Anthony##imported-begin##Brenda Anthony Tryon##imported-end##

August 04, 2011 at 10:12 PM



“ JR Joey and Marie: We are so sorry to hear of your loss. He will be sorely missed by many people, but he is at peace.
John and Cathy Gannon, Dillwyn, VA##imported-begin##John and Cathy Gannon##imported-end##

August 04, 2011 at 09:33 AM



“ We are so sorry to hear of Mr. Jim's passing, our families spent alot of time together as we were all growing up. There are many good memories from those times. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, and our love to your Mom. JoAnn & Royden##imported-begin##JoAnn A. Powell##imported-end##

August 03, 2011 at 10:11 PM



“ JR Joey and Marie: Sorry to hear about Jimmy. At last he is at peace. We sure had some good times together, on Wye Island and on John Brown Rd. Each of you are in our thoughts and prayers Love Jarrett and Frankie###imported-begin##Jarrett and Frank Smith###imported-end##

August 03, 2011 at 08:32 PM



“ Dear JR and Joey,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you two. We know it has been a rough few years, but we know he gave you some wonderful memories.

David and June###imported-begin##David & June Clark###imported-end##

August 03, 2011 at 07:27 PM



“ Cheezum Family- you are in my thoughts and prayers. I remember many good times shared by our families and now enjoy so much being around Jamie and his family.

Jane Anthony###imported-begin##Jane Anthony###imported-end##

August 03, 2011 at 06:20 PM



“ JR, Joey & Family,
so sorry to hear of your dad's passing! you are in my prayers! Love,
val###imported-begin##VAL WHALEY IVINS###imported-end##

August 03, 2011 at 12:09 PM



“ J.R. and Joey: Our deepest symapathy and prayers are with you in the loss of your dad. He is at peace with the Good Lord without any suffering and may the memories you have of him and the family always remain with you. God Bless each one of you at this time. Gene and Lynda Palmatary##imported-begin##Lynda Palmatary##imported-end##

August 03, 2011 at 09:33 AM