

Jim Wyatt

October 18, 1937 - November 8, 2016

WYATT, James A., Sr. "JAWS" – 80, of Cape May and formerly of West Chester, PA passed away on Tuesday, November 8, 2016. Jim graduated from Villanova University with an Associate's Degree in Business Administration. He worked in the field of office administration and was a Data Processing Manager for Curtis Publishing Co.; Chilton Publishing CO. and Alco Standard Co. He served as Captain of the Auxiliary Police Force of Washington Twp. from 1968-72. He was currently a Sergeant in the Cape May Fire Police, of which he had been a member since the inception of this special unit in Cape May. Jim was a former member of the Exton, PA Lions Club; former president of the Chester Co. Antique Car Club and was a current and active member of the Cape May Kiwanis Club, faithfully participating in their Meals on Wheels Program. Jim loved Cape May and planned his retirement and final years viewing the wonderful sunrise and sunsets of this special area. His mom brought him to Cape May for summers at the Seaside House. He loved roaming the beaches in his youth during blackouts of the war years when no light could be seen due to the security of the Delaware beaches. He loved the history of Cape May and the people who inhabit the city. The community was a gem to him and he freely gave his time to the community. He loved all the seasons in Cape May, especially fall and winter when the crowds left the city for the locals to enjoy. And, yes, he enjoyed the tourists, especially on change over days from his porch chair view during the last few years. He was always on the alert for fire police calls and always at the ready to serve and secure that intersection with his big white SUV and blue light. Cape May was his special place and he realized his dream come true. He was Cape May in heart, mind and body. Pop Wyatt was a guide and father to many he helped over the years. Our loss is deep as we try to carry on without our "John Wayne." He is predeceased by his brother, George Wyatt (1968). Jim is dearly missed by his loving family which includes his wife of 43 years, Kathleen (nee Connor); three children, James (and Bernice) Wyatt, Jr., Kimberly (and Nicholas) Bay and Thomas (and Christy) Wyatt; two sisters, Mary Greico and Doris LaSanta; five grandchildren, Joshua, Jacqueline, James III, Noah and Josie; and two great grandchildren, Christian and Andrew. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Monday (Nov. 14th) at 1:30pm in Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, 525 Washington St., Cape May where there will be a viewing from 12:30pm to 1:20pm. Bishop Sullivan has

designated Our Lady Star of the Sea as one of the “Jubilee Churches” which features a “Holy Door” which grants a special indulgence. The "Holy Door" is located on the Ocean Street side of the Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are suggested to the Kiwanis Club of Cape May, Animal Outreach of Cape May, or the Greater Cape May Historical Society. Interment will be private and at a later date.

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Although this website offers many options to send flowers, PLEASE observe the request of the family to send a memorial contribution instead to the Kiwanis Club of Cape May, Animal Outreach of Cape May, or the Greater Cape May Historical Society.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **14**. 12:30 PM - 1:20 PM (ET)

Our Lady Star of the Sea Church
525 Washington Street
Cape May, NJ

Service

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Tribute Wall



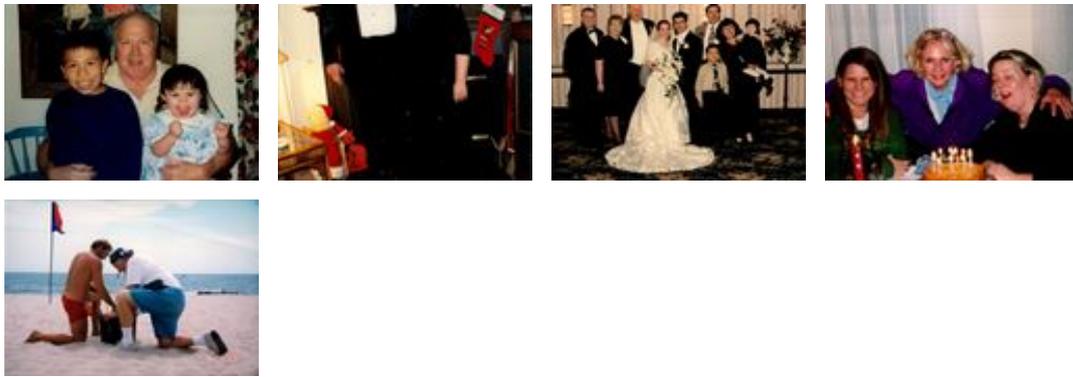
“ *Spilker Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jim Wyatt*



Spilker Funeral Home - November 13, 2016 at 03:19 PM



“ *114 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Spilker Funeral Home - November 11, 2016 at 02:49 PM

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Ernie and I will miss Jim very much. He was a great guy. Kiwanis won't be the same without him. I still see him by the front desk waiting to say hello. He will be missed by all.

Our deepest sympathy to Kate and family.

MJ Oravsky

MJ Oravsky - November 12, 2016 at 02:40 PM

TG

“ *Uncle Jim was a good man and someone who I looked up to my entire life. Uncle Jim will be greatly missed by me and my family. His dedication to the community and people who needed him was a truly sign of his exceptional character. He will be sorely Missed!*

*Our Deepest Sympathies to the entire Wyatt family
Tom, Sandy Grieco and Family*

Tom Grieco - November 11, 2016 at 02:33 PM

“ Uncle Jim was truly a great man. He was the epitome of a "family man". Some of my fondest memories of my child-hood were spending holidays together at Aunt Kate's and Uncle Jim's. We really had great times. I remember Uncle Jim taking us for tractor rides when we would visit with him and always being involved with our lives and family.

I specifically remember Uncle Jim being a tremendous friend to my late Father who passed away. My Father was extremely fond of Uncle Jim and would often tell us what a great man he was and someone who always put family above all else. Uncle Jim was also a great great brother to my Mother who also always held both Uncle Jim and Aunt Kate in the highest esteem.

We all remember how much of a tease Uncle Jim was and how hilarious his delivery was on these occasions. One of the funniest was Uncle Jim always teasing my Mom about being his "older" sister. I can speak for all of the Grieco's in stating that Uncle Jim will be missed greatly and a void will exist forevermore in our lives. Uncle Jim brought a lot of joy into all of our lives and I am truly grateful and blessed to have had such an exceptional uncle and role model while growing up.

I ache for his wife, children, grandchildren and our family during this difficult time and can relate to the pain with having lost my Father, another great man, not so long ago. I pray that we always remember Uncle Jim in the fondest of ways. That's what he deserves and would want. He will certainly be teasing us all from Heaven that's for sure!

Uncle Jim, I love you and may you rest in eternal peace knowing you were so very loved and will always be so very missed. Thank you for being such a great man and role model for us all. You were, a peace-maker and always looked for solutions to all unresolved issues. You never gave up on anything nor anyone. You taught kindness and forgiveness and gave it to all who would accept it. Even the ones who wouldn't accept it, you continued to offer it. Thank you for leading us and teaching us through example how important of a trait forgiveness is and the power it exudes to many who have watched and experienced it through your love. Thank you! We miss you! Rest in Peace!

Always,

David Grieco Sr.

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“ Jim was always concerned about others. He was always asking how my children were and how they were doing in school. When my daughter would attend a Kiwanis meeting with me, he would let her help him at the front desk. He always talked about his family. He was a kind person and will be extremely missed. Our thoughts and prayers to the Wyatt Family.

Sincerest Condolences,
Michele Bennett and Family

Michele Tryon-Bennett - November 11, 2016 at 08:35 AM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Jim Wyatt.



November 10, 2016 at 09:42 PM