



James "Jim" W. Dotson

June 15, 1933 - May 14, 2022

James "Jim" W. Dotson, 88 of Carthage, Missouri, went to join his one true love, Shirley, his wife, on Saturday, May 14, 2022. Jim was born in Enough, Missouri on June 15, 1933 to Hillard Hampton Dotson and Elsie Alice "Payne" Dotson. He served his country as a Sergeant Major in the U.S. Army for 28 years. After retiring from the U.S. Army, he moved to Carthage in 1976. Jim taught R.O.T.C. and wood shop through the Carthage R-9 School district. Gardening, fishing, and rooting for the Cardinals were some of his favorite past times. He loved being outdoors and was an avid wood worker. He was a hardworking father who wanted the best for his children and grandchildren. His happiest moments and some of his fondest memories were those times spent with his wife, his children and grandchildren whether just hanging out or sharing a meal together. His sense of humor and his unique personality will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Jim was joined in marriage by Shirley Isabel "Torisky" on October 8, 1952; she preceded him in death on September 9, 2020.

He is survived by one son Glen Dotson from Carthage; two daughters Karen Myers (Rex) from Diamond; Kathy Vice (Robert) from Purdy; 11 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

Jim was preceded in death by one son, James W. Dotson Jr.; his parents, Hillard and Elsie Dotson; and his six older sisters.

A graveside service will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, May 21, 2022, at Park Cemetery in Carthage, Missouri.

Condolences may be posted online at www.ulmerfh.com.

Arrangements are under the care and direction of Ulmer Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Park Cemetery

801 South Baker
Carthage, MO

Previous Events

Memorial Graveside Service

MAY 21. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I am sorry to hear about Jim. I really have great memories of working with him He was a tough man with a heart of gold. And I think he would help anyone in need. I know that family was very important to him and I hope you can remember him with a smile Debbie Galbraith

debbie - May 18, 2022 at 01:46 PM

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“ The first time I met Jim was following a traumatic head on accident involving my own family. His daughter Kathy, and husband Bob had been assisting me with all the follow up appointments and surgical repair of my broken jaw. My wife lied in a coma in the hospital.

Jim's beloved wife fell ill and had to be hospitalized. I went to visit her in the hospital to, in part, repay the kindness Kathy and Bob had shown me. That visit did so much for me beyond that I can hardly express. Jim shared his fears of being without his beloved and shared his tears with me. That made my own fears about my wife's condition and my fear of losing her come to the fore. Jim and I shared a good cry together and left feeling like it was going to be okay. Ultimately it was for both our wives.

When Jim's wife passed, I knew and understood how difficult it would be to go on, but he did with courage and daily trial. Find peace my friend you touched my life at a time I needed it most.

Dan Weaver - May 16, 2022 at 06:55 PM

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Thank you, Dan. They are together in Heaven now. God is good.

Karen E Myers - May 25, 2022 at 09:38 AM