



## James T Stremanos

September 14, 2019

James T. Stremanos, age 84, of Worthington, Ohio passed away on Sept. 14 with his wife Laura (nee Farley) by his side. Born to Tony and Ann Stremanos in Cleveland, his official birthdate was March 1, 1935, though he was actually born on March 2. His mother doctored his birth certificate to facilitate early school entry, a fact that was not discovered until decades later when Jim tried to use the document to apply for a passport for his honeymoon. All his birthdays thereafter were celebrated on both days.

To his large, loving Greek family, he was known as "Jimmy T" to differentiate him from his other cousins named Jim, all named after their grandfather. His favorite place was seated at his Aunt Mabel's kitchen table, where he was surrounded by family, sharing food and laughter. He graduated from John Marshall High School, excelling at football and creating a life-long group of friends. In college at The Ohio State University, Jim majored in both Biology and having an extremely active social life, the latter providing stories that could be considered either amusing anecdotes or cautionary tales.

He was known as "Chief" in his role as the chief investigator of the Consumer Frauds and Crimes Division of the Ohio Attorney General's Office, where he spent the majority of his career. He was a dedicated consumer advocate and a mentor to many investigators through the years. Following the Xenia tornado of 1974, Jim worked with other consumer advocates in the creation of an initiative to protect consumers in the aftermath of natural disasters. This program was implemented in the wake of the Cardington tornado of 1981. Upon his retirement, he was honored by the Ohio House of Representatives with an official recognition of his role in the creation of the Consumer Sales Protection Act as well as other legislation that benefitted Ohio consumers. In the midst of family car purchases, if a salesperson's knowledge was found lacking, it invariably resulted in everyone being treated to a full discourse on automotive sales and disclosure laws as outlined in the Ohio Revised Code.

His most important names were "Dad" and "Papou." He is survived by his loving wife Laura, whom he married on July 10, 1965, after a courtship that began with a blind date.

He is also survived by his children AnnMarie (Jeff) McCallister of Worthington, Ohio, Tony Stremanos of Boulder, Colorado and Dan Stremanos of Worthington, Ohio. As Papou to Wes and Ana McCallister, Jim found his true calling. He delighted in being the "yes-man" when ice cream or other indulgences were on the line. He went to their music concerts, sports competitions and school plays, and he will be greatly missed in the stands. Jim also leaves behind extended family, friends, golfing buddies and neighbors, all of whom will miss his wonderful sense of humor. Jim was preceded in death by his beloved sister Marilyn Glynias, with whom we know he has been reunited in love and laughter around Aunt Mabel's table.

Cleveland calling hours will be from 5pm-8pm on September 19 at Zeis-McGreevey Funeral Home in Lakewood, Ohio. Funeral service will be at 10:30 am at St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church in Rocky River, Ohio with an interment immediately following at St. Theodosius. Columbus calling hours will be from 11am-1pm and 5pm-7pm on September 23 at Schoedinger Funeral Home in Worthington.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Kobacker House, 800 McConnell Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43214

# Events

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**SEP** **Visitation** 11:00AM - 01:00PM

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Schoedinger Worthington Chapel

6699 North High Street, Worthington, OH, US, 43085

**SEP** **Visitation** 05:00PM - 07:00PM

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# Comments

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“ To Laura and family, sending love and condolences from Bellefontaine, Ohio. My brother-in-law and sister, Rick and Jan Nicolosi-Fischer are your neighbors. My heart was sad when they shared Jim's illness with me. I have kept your family in my prayers. I know they will continue to be there for you and your family. Blessings.  
Anne Marie Reames

Anne Reames - September 23 at 10:58 PM

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“ Please accept my condolences for Jim. I have been a golf partner with Jim at Safari Golf Course for the past 8 years. Jim was a great man and fun to golf with. He always had many experiences to share and had a great sense of humor when it came to our golf games. He will be missed but always remembered for the great person he was. He always talked about his family and we got to know a little about you all through our conversations. He was extremely proud of all of you and truly loved each of you. He will always be in my heart. Gary Coffield, Powell, Ohio

Gary Coffield - September 23 at 10:35 AM

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“ We here at OhioHealth Hospice Volunteer Services will miss his smile and sense of humor at our volunteer functions when he would accompany his wife Laura, volunteer extraordinaire! Thoughts and prayers with his family and friends.  
Lauri Wettling



Lauri A wettling - September 23 at 10:17 AM

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James T Stremanos.



September 19 at 04:36 PM

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“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of James T Stremanos.



September 17 at 04:39 PM

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“ Robert Rumberg lit a candle in memory of James T Stremanos



**Robert Rumberg** - September 16 at 04:38 PM