



James C. Williams

October 10, 1927 - December 31, 2017

James C. Williams, 90 of Toledo, passed away December 31, 2017 at Lake of Sylvania. He was born October 10, 1927 in Toledo, Ohio and was the son of Erie and Cleo (Utterback) Williams. Jim attended Macomber High School and was a camp counselor at Camp Storer. He enlisted into the US Navy at the age of 17 during World War II where he served on the USS John R. Craig and USS Rodgers. After the war he was in the Enewetak Atoll atomic tests where he saw three atomic bombs detonation just 10 miles from his ship. He married the late Betty L. Frey in 1951 for 55 years and raised four sons. He worked for the Ohio Bell Telephone company for over 35 years as a Switch Board equipment installer. He was a scout leader for his son's scout troop, active member of the Telephone Pioneers of America, the Old Newsboys Good fellow Association and Conn Weissenberger Post 587 of the American Legion. Jim Enjoyed traveling, seeing 49 of the 50 states, with his wife. He was a member of Reformation Lutheran Church.

Survivors include his sons, Craig (Renee) Williams, Richard (Sue) Williams, Scott (Margaret) Williams and James A. (Laurie) Williams; grandchildren Mike, Craig, Adam, Brad, Cameron, David, Catherine, Scott and Samantha, and 3 great grandchildren. Jim was preceded in death by his wife, Betty; his parents; his brother, Richard; sister, Cora and one of his grandsons, Nick.

Friends are invited to visit from 3:00p.m to 8:00pm Thursday in the Ansberg-West Funeral Home, 3000 Sylvania Avenue, between Secor and Douglas Roads, where a Memorial Service will be held 10:00am Friday. Condolences

for Jim's family may be expressed online at www.ansberg-west.com

Tribute Wall

LT

“ Even though I knew of the inevitable, the words "Jim passed away last night" hit me to the heart the other day. Though I didn't know Jim for eons or anything too deep, I was quite fond of his positive spirit; and plum just keep pluggin away attitude. I met him last Spring as he and my Mother Nancy Stiles became next door neighbors in rehab at Lakes of Montclova. Somehow we ended up with him at our maiden monthly family get together that fateful Sunday, and it sealed my desire to get to know him more, and just never leave a visit without seeing him smile. He had a cool little coughy laugh too, and no matter what he felt like, we could chuckle one out!!

At that first meal, he just said matter of fact "I'm dying you know". Well, it set me back a second, but I knew how to handle it, as I had heard that before from another. I decided at that moment, to savor his being, and keep making that tall guy smile!!

We lost touch when he and my Mom went separate ways, but fate had it in for us, that we would meet again, when my Mom ended up back in the care of the Trilogy Group, this time at Lakes of Sylvania. Guess what?! Without ever meeting another soul who would be living there (Mom was one of the First to pick out her own room before the place even opened), somehow she ended up choosing a room next door to Jim Williams again.....what?! Thank God. A familiar, friendly face in the newness and unfamiliarity of this situation!!! How blessed I felt as a daughter.

Each visit, and every football game I could find him at, was met with an eventual grin.....a grin with one less tooth in it of late.....lol. No matter the fact he was on morphine towards the end or not, I could get that guy to smile! He told me flat out "I'm on morphine, and ya know what that means don't ya?". Yeah, I did, but dang dude.....you told me last April you were dying, and you celebrated another Birthday, and blessed us all (me especially), with another day of Friendship!

I will miss you Jimmy.....I truly loved you, and thank the powers above that people like you are out there; to defend our GREAT COUNTRY, and to SMILE IN FRIENDSHIP TILL THE VERY END!

Lisa Trombley - January 04, 2018 at 10:22 AM

BB

“ *Jim and family,
You are in our thoughts and prayers, so sorry for your loss.*

Bob and Jan Bratton - January 04, 2018 at 12:33 AM

BO

“ *Dear Jim, Scott & Samantha,*

We were so sorry to read on our prayer chain that James passed away. We never met him, but from his obituary he was a Christian, worked hard, enjoyed his family and was active in the community. May God keep you all in his loving arms now and in the days to come.

Bob & Carol Cain - Delta, Ohio - January 03, 2018 at 08:25 PM

TB

“ *Dear Rick, Sue and Williams family, we are so very sorry for your loss. We pray God's comfort and peace over your family. I loved the visits from your dad and mom when they would go to San Diego for reunions. They made time to come to Clovis and I always felt close to you all when they were here! Love you and thinking of you! xo
Tim and Jan*

Tim and Jan Bosch - January 03, 2018 at 03:00 PM