

# JAMES LOUIS "JIM" COOK III, ESQUIRE



COOK, James Louis III, Esquire, "Jim" 53, Wexford, passed away suddenly on Tuesday, July 11, 2023. Beloved husband of 24 years to Dr. Amanda Lydic Cook. Devoted father to his four children: James Louis IV (JL), Zoe Louise, Claire Sloan, and Thorburn John. Survived by his mother, Linda Stalnecker Cook, Indiana; brother, Dr. Scott Cook (Sarah), Indiana; sisters, Joy Cook McElwee (George) Arlington, VA, and

Beth Cook Vislosky (Luke), Cranberry Township; and eleven nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Dr. James Louis Cook, Jr. Jim was born in Indiana, PA, and graduated from Indiana High School where he excelled on the basketball court. Chosen to the 1989 Dapper Dan Roundball team, Jim went on to play Division I college basketball for Colgate University. At Colgate, he was a member of the Sigma Chi fraternity and graduated with a degree in American Political Theory. He received his Juris Doctorate from Widener University Law School. Jim practiced Real Estate Law, Intellectual Property Law, and Litigation. He was a partner in several business and land development ventures throughout his career. Dedicated to many charitable causes, Jim served on the board of the Clear Thoughts Foundation; dedicated to funding the discovery of breakthrough drugs and novel treatments for dementia. Jim was an avid golfer who enjoyed his time on the course and his playing partners even more. His true passion was coaching JL, Zoe, Claire, and Thor on the football field and basketball court. Jim was a loyal and devoted friend to many who will miss his easy smile, joyful laugh, Halloween and July 4th celebrations. Friends and Family will be received at the **SCHELLHAAS & SONS FUNERAL HOME**, 1600 Stone Mansion Dr., Sewickley, PA 15143. on Sunday, July 16 from 11 am – 2 pm and 4 pm – 7 pm and Monday, July 17 from 9 am - 12 Noon. Funeral services will be private. Charitable gifts can be made in Jim's memory to the Clear Thoughts Foundation <https://clearthoughtsfoundation.org/donate>.

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