

JAMES "JIM" VARLEY



James was a lifelong resident of Dorseyville, husband of Bonita (Bonnie) List Varley, passed away on November 9, 2023 surrounded by loved ones after being diagnosed with esophageal cancer in April of this year. Through his final days, he insisted that he was one of the luckiest people alive, having lived a long life with his partner of 60+ years, his family, and good friends, traveling the country and

exploring the world.

Born in 1947, Jim was a 1965 graduate of Fox Chapel High School and a 1969 graduate of Edinboro University where he was a proud member of the Alpha Phi Omega fraternity. He was a lifelong active member and officer of the Dorseyville Volunteer Fire Department. Jim spent 35 years teaching in Hampton School District before retiring and spending time as a woodworker, creator, and volunteer at the Depreciation Lands Museum in Allison Park. But his most cherished and favorite post-retirement role was most definitely, Pap.

He was preceded in death by his parents Mary Margaret and Marcellus (Tubby) Varley and sister Margaret (Peggy) Varley. He is survived by his wife and three daughters Shannon Varley (BJ Miller), Meagan Flannigan (Paul) and Marcella (Marci) Weaver (Keith), as well as his brother Robert "Bob" (Donna), and a beloved extended family. His greatest pride, besides his three girls, was his seven grandchildren: Maeve, Luke, Mary, Finn, Ewan, Juniper and Lochlan.

As a last final act, James chose to donate his body to scientific study. Therefore, in lieu of a traditional viewing and funeral, there will be a Celebration of Life at Springwood, 1000 Indiana Road, Verona 15147 on Saturday, November 18 at 1 - 4pm. Formal program to begin at 1:30. **Hawaiian shirts are encouraged!**

If you'd like to make a donation in his memory, St. Jude's Hospital, <https://www.stjude.org/give.html>, was a charity that was dear to his heart.

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