



James F. Keough

July 28, 1936 - July 17, 2015

James F. Keough, 78, The Villages, FL, passed away on July 17, 2015 under the care of family and staff of Lane Purcell Hospice House in Sumterville, Florida. Mr. Keough was born on July 28, 1936 in Detroit, Michigan to his parents, George Stapleton Keough and Rose (Walsh) Keough. Mr. Keough was a retired Financial Officer for the Lincoln Group. He was a member of St. Paul's Catholic Church in Leesburg, Florida and a veteran who served in the U.S. Air Force during the Berlin Airlift. He and his wife moved to The Villages 8 years ago from Syracuse, New York. He was a proud graduate of The University of Notre Dame as well as being a member of the Notre Dame Club of The Villages and serving as the Treasurer for the past four years. He played the piano for the Olde Tyme Jazz Band, loved to play golf and was a beer connoisseur. He is survived by his loving wife of 53 years, Claire Love Keough of The Villages, FL; two sons: James G. (Rebecca) Keough of Denver, CO, and Thomas J. Keough of Denver, CO; two daughters: Mary Alice Keough Martinez of Oxford, FL, and Ellen (John) Schadl of Malvern, PA; six grandchildren: Griffin, Evelyn, Jack, Matt, Anna and Katie; many loving nieces and nephews. A Mass of Resurrection will be held at a later date in Florida. In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations be made to Cornerstone Hospice at 2445 Lane Park Road, Tavares, FL 32778 or The American Cancer Society in loving memory of Mr. Keough. Services have been entrusted to Page-Theus Funeral Home, Leesburg, FL. On line condolences and memories may be shared by visiting www.pagetheusfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery

Florida National Cemetery

6502 S.W. 102nd Avenue
Bushnell, FL, 33513

Events

NOV 25 **Mass of the Resurrection** 08:30AM

St. Paul's Catholic Church
Leesburg, FL, US

NOV 25 **Graveside Ceremony to follow Funeral Service** 10:30AM

Florida National Cemetery
6502 SW 102nd Avenue, Bushnell, FL, US, 33513

Comments



“ Dear Claire
Jane & I send our deepest sympathies. We will miss Jim very much. We had many good times together at our ND meetings, Friday Golf events, etc. Jim was a great representative of the University of Notre Dame - many candles will be burning bright at the ND Grotto, God Bless

Jane & Frank McElroy

Frank McElroy - July 26, 2015 at 01:55 PM



“ Claire,

My deepest sympathies at this most difficult time.

Tom Wertheimer

Thomas Wertheimer - July 25, 2015 at 10:42 AM



“ Dear Claire,

We were so sorry to hear of Jim's passing, and our thoughts and prayers are with you and the children. He was truly a great guy and is a good soul. We will fondly remember many special times, including the trip to Hershey (the bunny hop), the Acapulco adventure, working with Jim for mutual clients and dozens of fun golf matches.

Jim was multi-talented. An excellent CPA who could have been a concert pianist (but not a professional golfer); a witty story teller with an engaging Irish sense of humor; a good friend; and a husband and father who truly loved his family.

He will be missed.

Carol and Denny

Dennis and Carol O'Hara - July 25, 2015 at 08:20 AM



“ Dear Claire,

I'll start with me losing all those flips to Jim at the Birches when you and Kathy came over after school. Way too many memories of and with the Airman to recite after that.

I learned from a German friend when we were over there that she had lost so many physical possessions that her memories were her souvenirs. Mine will be for Jim.

One of a kind.

Love,
Dick and Kathy

Dick Lowenberg - July 24, 2015 at 01:01 PM



“ Clare, I am so sorry to hear of Jim's passing. He was a good man. I admired him for all he did for the Notre Dame Club. We will all miss him. You have my deepest sympathy. Clare, I know you are a strong person. Family is so important. Cherish them and know that your Norte Dame family is here for you.

God Bless,
Donna Swiderski

Donna Swiderski - July 23, 2015 at 11:06 PM



“ In deepest sympathy from Barbara Kraus, fellow member of The Villages Notre Dame Club.

Barbara A. Kraus - July 23, 2015 at 07:58 PM



“ Claire and Family

The Notre Dame Club of The Villages would like to extent to you and your family our deepest sympathy. James went to sleep here and opened his eyes to see his family, friends and acquaintances that preceded him at "The Gate".

Our fondest memories of James was when we first met with Claire at The Villages Publix back in 2009. James a '58 Alumnus of Notre Dame walked in wearing his Notre Dame shirt. During our conversation James told us he was a retired CPA. We were just starting the Notre Dame Club in The Villages and James agreed to become our first club treasurer. He served under two administrations and was a loyal, dedicated peaceful man with a heart for His Alma Mater and love for his Notre Dame

Family.

We remember visiting James and Claire in their home and could hear James playing the piano. We were not aware at the time that Jim played with the Olde Tyme Jazz Band. James played the piano prelude for our Notre Dame Celebration banquets and sang his Alma Mater following our Pep Rally's.

We will always have these good memories of James with us and the pleasure of having to know him personally.

From ALL of Your Notre Dame Family of The Villages "May the Perpetual Light shine upon you.

"We will see you at The Gate".

Mitch & Marie Budzon on behalf of your entire Notre Dame Family



Mitch & Marie Budzon - July 23, 2015 at 05:06 PM



“ Dear Claire and Family,
It's been years since we Gillards saw you all in Syracuse or maybe in Fulton when you visited Grandpa Walsh. I remember Aunt Rose fondly and Uncle Jim (though I think Jim was really a cousin in some way "removed." It's good to read the comments of others and imagine Jim at golf, watching a Notre Dame game with friends, mentoring someone in tennis. A life well lived. Just thinking of you all brings back my parents (Bill and Aileen) and grandparents (Ed and Marguerite) as well as all the "aunts, uncles, cousins, friends, and relations" we, as children, learned to remember in our nighttime prayers. So grateful for all my Irish American relatives and all the gifts of love and ambition they modeled for us. May your sorrow be laced with sweetness.

Marni Gillard, on behalf of my sibs: Dan, Jim, Meg, Maria and David

Marni Gillard - July 23, 2015 at 07:53 AM



“ Dear Claire, I was so sorry to read of Jim's passing in the Post Standard. Even though I hadn't seen Jim in a few years I often thought about him always with a smile and regarded him as a good friend. Please know I will keep him in my prayers...Peter Holmes

peter holmes - July 21, 2015 at 07:19 PM



“ Jim hired me in 1971 to work at Peat Marwick & Mitchell in Syracuse NY I will always remember him as a fun guy and a true gentleman.

Don Vincentini. Partner Koagel & Vincentini CPA's

Don Vincentini CPA - July 21, 2015 at 03:42 PM



“ Claire and boys. I am keeping you all in my prayers. Jim was a good friend and he will continue to be part of you all. Claire please let me know how I can be of help to you. You are a very special friend. My email is mwwt@earthlink.net phone number is 315-445-0878. Be strong and continue to move forward. Again, I am praying for you all. Tom Muench

Tom Muench - July 21, 2015 at 02:03 PM



“ Jim was my mentor, my tennis opponent, my partner but most of all a great friend and confidant. To Claire and the family my most sincere sympathies.
Bill Gould.

Bill Gould - July 21, 2015 at 12:32 PM



“ I had the pleasure of being with Jim in Germany during the Berlin Crisis. Jim was very quick witted and if memory serves me correctly was a great sports fan, especially when it came to ND football. My deepest sympathy to his family. Truly one of the "good Guys" Jim Ditota

Jim Ditota - July 20, 2015 at 12:44 PM



“ Mr. Keough always welcomed us into his home with a big hug and awesome snacks. It was truly an experience to watch a Notre Dame game with him. It makes us sad to know we won't have that opportunity again. Mrs. Keough, Jim, Becky, Ellen, John, Tom, and Mary.... Know how sorry we are for this huge loss. We will never forget this great man. Forever in our hearts.
Our Deepest Sympathy,
Angie and Bob Sayles

angie - July 20, 2015 at 11:23 AM