



James Howard Schafer

July 13, 1944 - May 15, 2024

Rosary will be held 7:30 pm, July 8, 2024 at Bohlender Funeral Chapel.
Funeral Mass will be held 10:30 am Tuesday, July 9, 2024 at St. John the XXIII Catholic Church. Interment with military honors will be held 1:30 pm, July 9, 2024 at Roselawn Cemetery.

A full obituary will be posted soon.

Previous Events

Rosary

JUL 8. 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM (MT)

Bohlender Funeral Chapel
121 W. Olive Street
Fort Collins, CO 80524

Funeral Mass

JUL 9. 10:30 AM - 11:30 PM (MT)

St. John the XXIII Catholic Church
1220 University Ave
Fort Collins, CO 80521

Graveside Service with Military Honors

JUL 9. 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM (MT)

Roselawn Cemetery
2718 E. Mulberry
Fort Collins, CO 80524

Tribute Wall



“ *Bohlender Funeral Chapel created a Webcast in memory of James Howard Schafer*



Bohlender Funeral Chapel - July 11, 2024 at 05:19 PM

JM

“ May your memory be eternal... Thank you for all of your help along the way, Jim.

DUST YOU ARE AND INTO DUST YOU SHALL RETURN

The temple of my body has been destroyed, and earth returns to earth, according to the word of God: ‘Dust you are, and into dust you shall return.’ But with the holy Church, I expect the resurrection from the dead and the life of the world to come. My hope is sitting at the right hand of God, Jesus Christ, my Lord and God. He is my life and resurrection. He says to me: ‘I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me shall not die but live.’ With his voice will He awaken me from my sleep.

I have gone away from you according to the way of earthly things; I have departed, and we no longer see each other as we did before. But we shall see each other in that place where shall be gathered all the nations that have lived from the beginning of the world and to its very end. O God, grant that we may see each other there, where God is seen face to face, and gives new life to those who see Him, and comforts and gladdens them, and gives ineffable joy for all eternity. There men shine like the sun; there is true life; there is true honor and glory; there is true joy and gladness; there is true ecstasy, and all that is eternal and endless. ‘Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in you.’

St. Tikhon of Zadonsk.

Jaime & Mat - December 09, 2024 at 01:51 AM

LI

“ Several years ago we held a special event for my parents & an old song “Jack Was A Lonely Cowboy” was their favorite & I couldn’t find a copy of that anywhere so I called up Jim & asked if he could record it for the event & he did. What a special man Jim was to record & send it to us & I will never forget his generosity to my folks.
Linda Miller Slone

Linda - July 12, 2024 at 06:44 PM

KR

“ I was a travel agent in Loveland, Colorado many years ago and Jim was one of my all-time favorite clients. I always enjoyed chatting and joking with him when he called in to make travel arrangements. I also met Allyson a few times and she was as sweet as she could be. I am so sorry to hear of Jim's passing but I know that special memories of him will always live on

Kirstin Reed - July 10, 2024 at 11:23 AM

JE

“ I have known Jim professionally and personally for over 40 years. In a hard business and through all those years I never saw Jim waiver from his professionalism. More importantly, I never saw Jim lose his kindness, his humility, or his integrity.

Jim was the finest human being I have ever had the pleasure of knowing.

The world is a little less bright with his passing.

Jerry Ellinghuysen - July 09, 2024 at 10:09 AM

SP

I went to school with Jim and he was a wonderful person. Yes, his loss leaves many to mourn his passing

susan Goggins Pemberton - July 10, 2024 at 01:15 AM

SP

He was always kind and respectful. I am sorry to hear of his death. I went to elementary and high school with him in Havre Montana

susan Goggins Pemberton - July 10, 2024 at 01:17 AM

LW

“ *I am so sad to hear of Jim’s passing. I worked along side him for almost 30 years, when he was a vet pharma consultant and I with FDA/CVM. Jim was always fair, honest, and open to discussion, always trying to do the best for his clients and the animals. More importantly, Jim was a friend. We would chat about all kinds of mutual interests, especially music. He will be missed...retired almost five years now, and I still know his phone number by heart! Fondly, Linda Wilmot*

Linda Wilmot - July 09, 2024 at 07:52 AM

EJ

“ It's hard to express all the wonderful memories we shared with Jim and Allyson for the past nearly 30 years.

We had formed a group dubbed "The Huggy Bears" that met every year for a long weekend of fun and adventure. There were about five or six couples made up primarily of Veterinarians and Cattlemen. The rules stated we all had to pay a year in advance for the next years reunion and no refunds were allowed to be reimbursed for cancellation of any type. We rotated the hosting responsibility for the next year's event per our individual couple members. The designated hosts kept their event a surprise for the attendees relative to location and activities unless circumstances dictated otherwise.

The Huggy Bears ended up with travel to destinations all over the U.S., Canada and Mexico. The agenda was always simple, unique, exciting and fun. We even had our own Huggy Bear Band with Jim & Baxter being the stars featuring Cindy Lou on her fiddle and Ed the lowly bass player.

Jim was always Jim. His approach was low key and humble, but his input was always on point, well thought-out, doable and often brilliant. We operate a Contract Research Operation and I relied-on Jim many times for advice and guidance.

I echo the comments made about all the contributions Jim made to Veterinary Medicine and animal well-being. It was an honor to know him as a friend and associate.

Our thoughts, love and prayers go out to Allyson and her family. We will miss Jim in so many ways.

Ed & Nancy Johnson

Edward Johnson - July 06, 2024 at 11:45 PM

PT

“ Jim was a wonderful man, one I looked up to. Of course he was a devoted husband and father, but the thing I witnessed most is his generosity and kindness to his sisters. He had seven sisters. If any of them needed help or guidance, he was there. For me, he was a cousin I so enjoyed. His stories, his songs, his generosity of spirit is something I will never forget. RIP my dear, sweet cousin.

Paula Taylor - July 06, 2024 at 08:09 PM

MG

“ You could search the world over and never find a better friend or human being than Jim. Gary and I met Jim and Allyson over fifty years ago. We were neighbors. Our backgrounds in Agriculture and Music brought us all together. Low and behold, before we knew it, a Band was formed...Tumbleweed Band! Oh, the memories! Jim was the first to step up when Gary passed away. He coordinated all the music for Gary's funeral and carried it off without a hitch (just like he did everything)! He was the most honest, kind, caring and professional person you could wish for. The friendships formed between Jim, Allyson and our families is one that will never end. Listen close....., you may be able to hear....Gary, Jim and Baxter singing in Heaven! They have quite the following, both in Heaven and here on Earth! My Heart goes out to you, Allyson, Renee, Brendan and Families! I Love You all! Our Sincerest Sympathy, Margo Greiman, Chad Greiman, Keli Greiman Sharpee, Lori Greiman Pedersen, Casey Greiman, Cody Greiman and Families

Margo Grreiman - July 04, 2024 at 02:54 PM

GJ

“ Jim was an awesome man and friend! I have great memories from years ago. He will be missed by those who knew him !! Garry Johnson

Garry Johnson - July 03, 2024 at 09:05 AM

BG

“ Jim was a long time friend, and associate of my husband, John Gillespie. They were lovingly known as Dr. Dome and Dr. Doom. We had asked Jim to sing at our wedding and had selected Rod Stewart's "Have I Told You Lately That I Love You". I was not a fan of country music (my apologies to those who are). A few days before the wedding, we went out to Jim's to see how the music was going. He then proudly began singing a very, very western song that I had never heard by Gene Autry. It had the same name as Rod Stewart's but it was sure different. After we had a laugh, Jim said he was sure he could learn the Stewart song. On our wedding day, he sang it touchingly and beautifully.



Betsy Gillespie - July 02, 2024 at 10:26 AM

KM

“ Jim was a favorite cousin. We used to go to the farm in MT sharing lots of fun times. He has always been a rock and example of good living for our family. I am sure he is enjoying a great reward for a life well lived. My prayers are with his family.

Karla McKinnie - July 02, 2024 at 08:30 AM

KR

“ I was privileged to have had the opportunity to work with Jim at Elars/Syngene from 1982-1986. Although we worked together for a short time, I will always remember his personal kindness and his passion for his work. He was an exceptional mentor and cared a great deal for the people working under his direction. I will also remember seeing Jim with his lovely family at mass at St. Joseph Church and talking with him after services. Although I have not seen Jim in the many years since I left Colorado, I have good memories of him and will miss him.

Keith E Rushlow - July 01, 2024 at 09:38 PM