

James Dallas Dishman



James Dallas "Jim" Dishman, 94, of Lynchburg died on Thursday, January 7, 2021 after suffering a COVID related stroke. He was the husband of the late Joan Bennett Dishman for over 57 years. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a brother, Kenneth, and four sisters, Rae Duncan, Anna Cook, Betty Stewart, and Hazel Berry.

The fifth of seven children, Jim was born November 17, 1926 in Ninde, Virginia. He was the son of the late James Samuel Dishman and Betty Grigsby Dishman. Upon graduating from King George High School, Jim served his country in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II. After the war Jim used the GI Bill to attend the University of Richmond where he received his degree in accounting and was a member of Theta Chi Fraternity. After graduation, he began working for the Internal Revenue Service where he remained until his retirement with 40 years of Civil Service. Upon retirement from the IRS, he became an Enrolled Agent and started his own tax consulting business which he operated for another 30 years before finally retiring again.

Jim was a Life Member of the B.P.O.E. Elks where he oversaw the bingo operation for more than 20 years. He was honored with Elk of the Year which he was very proud of. He was a member of The American Legion, Post 16 where he had many friends that he enjoyed seeing daily. He was also a lifelong member of Round Hill Baptist Church in King George, Virginia. Jim was very interested in genealogy and spent the better part of 40 years compiling information on his family history, eventually tracing his ancestry all the way back to France in the 16th century.

Jim is survived by his wife of 10 years and best friend, Virginia Hahn Dishman (Ginny). In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Jim Dishman and Sam Dishman of Lynchburg; a daughter, Gayle Leonard (Tom) of Leawood Kansas; a sister, Alice Hopkins of Colonial Beach, Virginia; and five grandchildren, Joseph and William Dishman and Virginia, Martha and Tommy Leonard. He is also survived by two stepdaughters, Gwen Loveless, Miriam Torian and two stepgrandchildren, Emerson Hailey and Ezra Torian.

The family will receive friends from 2 until 4 p.m. on Sunday, January 10, 2021 at Heritage Funeral Service, 427 Graves Mill Road, Lynchburg.

A graveside funeral service will be conducted at 1 p.m. on Monday, January 11, 2021 at Round Hill Baptist Church in King George, Virginia.

Heritage Funeral Service and Crematory, (434) 239-2405 is assisting the family. Memories and thoughts may be shared with the family at www.heritagefuneralandcremation.com

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