



Mr. James "Jim" Carl Joseph Nichols

May 22, 1929 - July 30, 2018

James "Jim" Carl Joseph Nichols, 89, passed away Monday, July 30, 2018 at his home in Salisbury, NC.

Jim was born May 22, 1929 in Cooleemee, NC. He was the son of the late Carl Nichols and Bessie Nichols Pease. He always said he got his education in the carnival. As a young teen he traveled around the state working and supporting himself. After graduating from Mocksville High School, he married the love of his life, Daisy Mae Irvin of Mocksville, NC. Her parents, Lawrence and Martha, loved him as their own son. He sold cars for Mr. Irvin and joined the Naval Reserves to support his growing family. He served for 25 years in the Naval Reserves. In 1960 he began his 37 ½ year career as a State Farm Insurance agent, moving the family to Salisbury. A true people person, he was generous, humorous and kind. Jim was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He will be truly missed by his family. Proud children are Cathy Nichols Wilson (Stan), Jay Carl Irvin Nichols (Jane), and Camille Butner (Steve), six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Jim was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church where he enjoyed many of the senior citizens activities with his wife, Daisy. During his lifetime, he served his church and his Lord as Deacon, Sunday School Director, Youth Leader and Finance Committee Leader.

He served his community in the Mocksville Jaycees as President and State Director and as a Boy Scout Leader. In Salisbury he served as President of the Breakfast Optimist Club, worked with the Rowan County Special

Olympics, was a life member of the Salisbury Elks Lodge, and was a life member of the Masonic Lodge.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 67 years, Daisy Mae Irvin Nichols on March 11, 2017, and a brother, Jackie Lee Nichols. In addition to his children, Jim is survived by one sister, Earlene Deadmon (Baxter) of Irmo, SC; two brothers, David "Shorty" Nichols of Cooleemee, NC and Sam Nichols (Shelby) of Advance, NC; sister-in-law, Darleen Nichols of Warsaw, VA.

A Memorial Service will be conducted Friday (Aug 3) at 2 PM at St. John's Lutheran Church Sanctuary with the Rev. Rhodes Woolly, the Rev. Laura Henrik and Wade Rouzer officiating. The family will have a Celebration of Life Gathering in the Peeler Hall following the service.

The family wishes to thank friends, neighbors, and caregivers for their loving care of Jim.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church, Children's Ministry, 200 W. Innes St., Salisbury, NC 28144 or Faithful Friends Animal Sanctuary, 220 Grace Church Rd, Salisbury, NC 28147.

Tribute Wall

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“ JIM AND DAISY WERE THE LIFE OF OUR STATE FARM MEETINGS IN YEARS PAST. ALWAYS HELPFUL AND FUN TO BE WITH. WE WILL MISS JIM BUT WILL KEEP THE MEMORIES.
LEE BARKLEY

LEE BARKLEY - August 13, 2018 at 01:15 PM

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“ Camille, Carl, Cathy and family,
Your dad, just as each of you are a part of the good memories of having a great childhood filled with neighbors that you love. Whether at the Meadowbrook pool, sledding at the top of Edgedale Drive or stopping for a stray baseball going across the street your dad always had a smile and words of kindness that he shared.

May you find the comfort in your heart during this time of grief, knowing you shared a wonderful dad with the rest of us and we are grateful.

Bob Lippard

Bob Lippard - August 01, 2018 at 02:45 PM

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“ Perry and Lisa Oliver purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Mr. James "Jim" Carl Joseph Nichols.



Perry and Lisa Oliver - August 01, 2018 at 11:07 AM

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“ Dear Cathy, Carl, Camille and families,

Daisy and Jim always made me feel like a part of the family. Their house was like a home away from home for me. The three of you always seemed like the sisters and brother I never had. You could never mention Jim without Daisy, or Daisy without Jim. That was just the way it was, and I am so thankful they are together again, well, happy, and enjoying the glories of Heaven. Jim will be greatly missed by all the lives he touched during his very giving life. I know my life was enhanced and enriched by knowing him. May the Lord bless all of you and give you the strength, peace, and comfort you need for the days ahead.

*Love to All,
Ann Toney Heard*

Ann T. Heard - July 30, 2018 at 10:24 PM

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“ Darleen Nichols sent a virtual gift in memory of
Mr. James "Jim" Carl Joseph Nichols



Darleen Nichols - July 30, 2018 at 08:41 PM

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“ Darleen Nichols lit a candle in memory of Mr.
James "Jim" Carl Joseph Nichols



Darleen Nichols - July 30, 2018 at 08:39 PM

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“ I cannot believe my "big brother" is gone. Although really my brother-in-law, Jim always called me his sister. The four of us, Daisy, James, my husband Jackie and I had so many hilarious adventures I can't begin to list them. Jim took his role of big brother seriously always trying to watch out for his siblings. His sense of humor was legend. Tonight my world has gotten sadder due to the loss of this wonderful man. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and brother. Now that Jim, Daisy and Jackie have gone ahead, I find myself anxious to join them. Heaven has become a jolly, rocking place with this trio together again. The world needs many more men like Jim. He was thoughtful of the feelings others and respected their opinion even if he didn't share their convictions. I mourn Jim only because I won't be able to talk with him for a while. I celebrate this moment with him because he is where he wants to be: with his beloved Daisy.

Darleen Nichols

Darleen Nichols - July 30, 2018 at 08:20 PM