



James "Jim" Carson Blizzard

June 7, 1946 - December 31, 2021

James Carson Blizzard, 75, entered into rest in the early morning hours of Friday, December 31, 2021, at his home in Lane Tree Golf Community, Goldsboro, NC. Jim was the fourth child of Johnny and Hettie Smith Blizzard of Wayne County, NC. In addition to his parents, he is also preceded in death by his brother-in-law Frankie Vinson of Pikeville, NC.

Surviving Jim are his wife of 53 years Dickey Best Blizzard, daughter Jamey Blizzard Howey (Princeton, NC) and granddaughter Madelyn Lane Howey (Garner, NC). Also surviving are his brothers J.D. Blizzard and wife Marjorie (Goldsboro, NC) and Wilbert (DaL) Blizzard and wife Ruth (Goldsboro, NC). Two sisters also survive: Shirley Murphy and husband Bob (Goldsboro, NC) and Patsy Vinson (Pikeville, NC). Also surviving is Jim's beloved cat Lucky.

A 1964 graduate of Goldsboro High School (NC), Jim joined the United States Navy in 1964 and was honorably discharged in 1968. Shortly thereafter, he started his financial career, all while attending Wayne Community College (Goldsboro, NC) and Edgecomb-Nash Community College (Rocky Mount, NC) where he obtained his Business Administration degree. Jim was employed by AVCO from 1969-1987 in their Consumer Finance offices and later, as a Corporate Headquarters Internal Auditor. Finally, he established AVCO's leasing division. Both latter positions involved extensive travel across the United States. Decades of experience in the financial industry prompted

Jim to create United Piedmont, Inc./ Piedmont Equipment Leasing, which has conducted business since 1988. One stellar achievement in Jim's career was his role as one of the founding members of the National Association of Equipment Lease Brokers, now known as the American Association of Commercial Finance Brokers.

Jim enjoyed golfing and instructing his granddaughter Madelyn on proper golf form and etiquette of the game, and he also enjoyed both fresh and saltwater fishing. Having been a former "Navy man," Jim liked boating and all types of water sports; many said he was always, "Full steam ahead!" His dance moves with wife Dickey caused other dancers to stop and take notes. Jim relished a good crap game if the table was "hot." He especially loved socializing with his family and many friends across the country.

Jim's humorous stories were legendary, captivating and entertaining family, friends, and, at times, even perfect strangers. Jim's tales of fun and adventure across the decades were epic and legendary and lifted the spirits of both young and old alike. Jim appreciated the fellowship and old-time preaching at Crossroads Primitive Baptist Meeting House where he attended in Princeton.

A service to celebrate this special man will be held on Saturday, January 8, 2022, in the chapel of Evergreen Funeral Home, 3888 US Highway 70 W, Goldsboro, NC. Visitation will be held from 1:00 pm to 1:50pm with the service following at 2:00 pm.

The family request please no flowers. Donations made in Jim's honor and memory may be made to the Lewy Body Dementia Association on-line at www.LBDA.org or by phone at 404-935-6444. Donations may also be mailed to Lewy Body Dementia Association, 912 Killian Hill Road, SW, Lilburn, GA 30047.

Tribute Wall

JB

“ *I weep everyday..... I love you*

Johhny Blizzard - July 13, 2022 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Dad Our family chain is broken It will never be the same You were my oxygen , the sunshine to my rain I will cherish the memories and the laughter we shared and how very proud i was to call you my Dad. Life is never ending, your spirit lives on I will see you on the other side when God calls me home*

Jamey Blizzard Howey - July 13, 2022 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ *We've lost a close personal friend that always put a smile on our faces. He can never be replaced.*

Jim & Marynell Roland - July 13, 2022 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ *We are devastated at the loss of our beloved long time friend!! John and I will miss talking and laughing with you. Rest in Peace Jimmy! I hope Jay welcomed you home.*

The Stogners - July 13, 2022 at 12:00 AM

GE

“ Dickey and Jamey and all Jim's family, please accept my deepest condolences on your loss. Jim was an interesting, entertaining and knowledgeable guy and treated strangers like long time friends. He was an important mentor and confidant to me through much of my equipment leasing career. I valued his support and praise when I served as president of NAELB, an organization he helped start. I hope Jim rests peacefully and that his rest gives you some comfort.

Gerry Egan - July 13, 2022 at 12:00 AM