



James Anthony Stedman

December 3, 1939 - June 25, 2025

With heavy hearts and deep gratitude for a life well lived we announce the passing of James Anthony Stedman, affectionately known as "Poppy", who peacefully left this world on June 25, 2025. A man of deep compassion, humor, and unwavering support, James brought light and laughter to everyone he met.

He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, mentor and friend. James was survived by his loving wife of 58 years, Dorothy; his children Mark (Christina) and Tonya (Andrew); brother Dennis (Mary); grandchildren, Zachary, Nicholas, Ryan (Jaquelyn), Hannah, Dodge, Logan and Truly; and many extended family members and friends. He was preceded in death by his father Harry Logan Stedman and his mother Helen May Stedman.

James was a beacon of love, kindness, and humor. He proudly served in the United States Army and continued to travel the world with his wife for many years. He brought a smile, and a joke or two everywhere he went. With 48 years of sobriety, he always saw the best in everyone and devoted his life to helping people, and in doing so, changed countless lives. James leaves behind a legacy steeped in compassion, hope, and laughter; a legacy as unforgettable as the man himself.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Thursday, July 10, at 11:00 a.m. at Washburn McReavy Hillside Funeral Chapel (2610 19th Ave N.E.). Visitation begins at 10 a.m.

For all who loved James, may you find peace in your memories and strength

in the love he shared so freely. He will be missed beyond words. Your love brings us comfort in this time of deep sorrow. The world has lost a truly exceptional soul.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **10**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Hillside Chapel
2610 19th Avenue N.E.
Minneapolis, MN 55418

Celebration of Life

JUL **10**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JA

“ In the short year and a half that I knew James, he made such a huge impact on my life and is a big part of why I'm sober. He taught me that to live life without God is not living with the peace and serenity that we all deserve. To stay in constant contact with God and ask for His help and to thank Him for His help. My life turned around because of this. Oh... And I thought that I was the king of dad jokes. Well... He put me to shame. Our daily texts always put a smile on my face. What a great man and a gem James was. Peace to his family and God's speed to James.

Jason - July 10, 2025 at 01:03 AM

RL

“ My condolences, Dorothy, for your Loss! Jim was a Great Guy and Loved by Many! Ron Lindgren

Ron Lindgren - July 09, 2025 at 10:07 AM

BS

“ Bob Fust Sr & Kathy Stephens purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James Anthony Stedman.



Bob Fust Sr & Kathy Stephens - July 05, 2025 at 04:27 PM

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“ Bob Fust Sr & Kathy Stephens planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Anthony Stedman.

Bob Fust Sr & Kathy Stephens - July 05, 2025 at 04:27 PM



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July 04, 2025 at 06:31 PM



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“ We are so very sorry to hear of the passing of a man we are proud to call our friend. We met many years ago in Hillsboro, ND when he and his family came to see Dorothy's Mom and Dad. He was always so easy to visit with and share a laugh or two or three!! May all your wonderful memories of Jim help ease the sorrow you are feeling now and in the days ahead. Love and sympathy, Lynn and Julie

Julie Foss - July 03, 2025 at 03:16 PM



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Anthony Stedman.

June 30, 2025 at 02:21 PM

WB

“ Whenever he and Dorothy came to town I always enjoyed my time visiting with Jim, whether we exchanged dumb dad joke or just catching up he was a joy to be around. Wayde Bolte

Wayde Bolte - June 29, 2025 at 07:01 PM

ME

We are so very sorry to hear of Jim's passing. He was larger than Life and I have such fond memories. Please accept our deepest sympathies. We are praying for your family.
Molly and Jim Embry

Molly and Jim Embry - July 02, 2025 at 04:47 PM