



James Eugene Wegley

March 10, 1927 - June 22, 2020

Wegley, James Eugene Died June 22, 2020, at age 93, from intracranial bleeding following a fall in his residence at Global Pointe Senior Living, in Golden Valley, MN. Jim was born in Saint Paul, to Catherine and Earle J. Wegley. He graduated from Roosevelt High School in South Minneapolis. At age 21, he started his own business selling ice cream from a motorized scooter in the Minneapolis area. His business grew to become Jimmy Jingle and Metropolitan Vending, Inc. At age 25, Jim married the love of his life, Donna Marie Nielsen. They first had twins, Chris and Karen, followed by Diana, Mary Jane (Mig), and finally a son, Joe. Family was so important to Jim that he built a cabin in Cumberland, Wisconsin, where the entire family spent many years of lakeside fun in summer, and was base camp for downhill skiing in winter. After retiring, Jim enjoyed working fulltime as a stained-glass artist and sculptor. He had a well-stocked workshop, which was his retreat, where he spent many pleasurable, creative hours. Jim also enjoyed traveling with his beloved wife, both domestically and internationally. Jim is preceded in death by his father, "Jack"; his mother, Catherine; brother, Dennis; and grandson, Tony. He is survived by his wife, Donna; sisters, Marianne (Tom) Calhoun and Sallie Frye; his five children, Chris (Roger) Thompson, Karen Wegley Ellis, Diana (John) Ross, Mig (Mark) Richards, and Joe (Ofelia) Wegley; 14 grandchildren, Jason (Suzanne) Thompson, Tia (Keith) Anderson, Mary Anne Ellis (Juan), Catherine Ellis (Marco), Jane Ellis (Juan Manuel), Michelle Ellis (David), Stefanie Ellis, Amy Ellis, Andy (Jodee) Ross, Natalie (Andy) Ross

Donovan, Matt (Kathryn) Richards, Chuck (Emily) Richards, Kyle (Jenna) Richards, Arianna Wegley; and 15 great-grandchildren. A private family memorial service to celebrate Jim's life is planned for Friday, July 10th, 10:00am, at Washburn-McReavy Chapel, in Edina, MN. The service will be recorded and can be viewed live, or later, at: washburn-mcreavy.com/obituaries/JamesWegley/ Edina Chapel 952-920-3996

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL **10**. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Edina Chapel
5000 West 50th & Highway 100
Edina, MN 55436
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Tribute Wall



“ Washburn-McReavy Funeral Chapels created a Webcast in memory of James Eugene Wegley



Washburn-McReavy - July 10, 2020 at 10:59 AM

ME

“ Dearest Gramps... You're in our hearts forever... Mary Anne, Juan, Emma and Antonio

Mary Anne Ellis - July 10, 2020 at 11:05 AM

MD

“ May he rest In Peace. I was lucky to have known Jim. ❤️ Much Love, Mary



Mary Dargay - July 10, 2020 at 10:51 AM



“ Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of James Eugene Wegley.



July 08, 2020 at 03:13 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James Eugene Wegley.*



July 06, 2020 at 04:26 PM