



James J. Passaro

May 27, 2020

James J. Passaro, 86, of Allentown, passed away May 27, 2020 in his home. He was the loving husband of Barbara A. (Houser) Passaro. They were married for 57 years last June. James was a social studies teacher at the Trexler Junior High School, Allentown, until retiring. He began his teaching career at Central Junior High School, Allentown. Born in Allentown, he was the son of the late James and Amelia (Forkolits) Passaro. He was a 1951 graduate of Allentown High School and a 1955 graduate of East Stroudsburg University. While in high school, he excelled in baseball and was on the championship basketball team. He was active in many sports, he enjoyed golf and tennis. He scouted for the Cincinnati Reds baseball team for 17 years. His favorite team was the New York Yankees.

Survivors: Wife, Cousins: Norman Garris, Roland Passaro, Gerry, Carol and Dale Case, John Pammer and Richard Corvino, God-Child: Kahla and Many Dear Friends and Extended Family.

Services will be private, at the convenience of the family.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his memory to the VA Outpatient Clinic 3110 Hamilton Blvd. Allentown, PA 18103, or to a charity one's choice.

Tribute Wall

TR

“ One of my favorite teachers. I remember the baseball game you used to teach us. You taught us how to give a firm handshake and look the person in the eye and not use a dead fish handshake. Also that there is no such thing as luck but you could be fortunate. RIP Mr Passaro. Condolences to the family.

Thomas Roberts - June 03, 2020 at 09:08 AM

NT

“ So very sorry Barb for Jimmy's passing. We have had the pleasure of sharing our lives together over the last 10 years. Lou was so excited to hear from Jimmy that day he called. Reunited after 35 years of not seeing each other. Lou was so thankful for how nice Jim was to him when a kid from NY moved to Allentown. Jimmy always guided Lou, taught him and mentored him when he was at Trexler. Then watching over him as he graduated from Allen High. Then life took place and they lost touch until that wonderful call that reunited their friendship. We can't express enough the gratitude for you both. Your kindness and love you have shown us. We will always think of you as our second parents. You stood by Jim to the very end being his wife his nurse and his aide. Barbara you are a Saint and Jimmy loved you so much. We will forever miss him but he will always hold a special place in our hearts. May he rest in eternal peace and may God Bless you Barb and keep you safe and in good health. We love you.



Nancy Torres and Luis Suarez

Nancy Torres - June 02, 2020 at 10:40 PM

NG

“ Jimmy, we shared many great times together over the years when I was a young boy & later when I was grown with a family. You were a very special person to me & my family. You taught us about respect, determination, & courage. You never did anything half heartedly. You always gave 110% whether it was teaching, sports, singing, & relationships. Your heart & personality were so much bigger than your physical size. I cannot talk about you without talking about Barb. You & Barb were inseparable for almost 60 years. Barb was at your side until your last breath. Today, I listened to Sinatra's song "My Way". I heard you sing this song many, many times & Frank would have been proud of the way you did it. Well Jimmy, "You lived a life that's full & you did it your way". Rest in Peace. We love you & miss you.

norman & karen garris - June 02, 2020 at 04:36 PM

RS

“ To wife Barbara and Family:
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.
I will remember Jim as a good friend, servng together in the U.S.
Army in Texas, and being an usher in your wedding.
May God bless you in this difficult time.

Dick Smale

Richard M. Smale - May 31, 2020 at 06:03 PM

MS

“ *Barbara*
My deepest condolences upon the passing of Jim. Although we drifted apart as we grew older, I will always cherish the many happy moments Jim and I shared together.
May he rest in peace.
Mike Soltys

Mike Soltys - May 30, 2020 at 09:50 PM

HW

“ *Dear Barbara,*
Sorry to here about jim's passing.My heartfelt condolences,Rest in peace jim.

Your Friend,
Hurley Wilson

Hurley Wilson - May 30, 2020 at 09:26 PM

HS

“ *Barbara so sad to here about Jimmy. I remember him very fondly.*
Always happy and took care of Aunt Mary so lovingly. You will be in my prayers. Love Cousin Heidi

Heidi Saldana - May 30, 2020 at 02:12 PM

JG

“ *Dear Barbara:
So sorry to learn of Jim's passing. It will leave a huge hole in your heart
but fond memories will always keep him close.
Thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time*

Jo Ann (Cerulli) Gallagher

Jo Ann (Cerulli) Gallagher - May 30, 2020 at 12:25 PM

JP

“ *Rest in peace, Jim. You are in good hands. You will be missed but not forgotten.*

Your cousin, John Pammer

John Pammer - May 30, 2020 at 09:19 AM

MM

“ *To Barb and family*

*I'm so sorry for your loss, I know Mr. Passaro is at peace and will be watching over you from Heaven,
God Bless.*

Mildred Suarez Morgan and family

Mildred Morgan - May 30, 2020 at 07:53 AM



DB

“ *Rest in Peace. Your in God's hands now, he will take good care of you, just as you did all of your students. I'll miss you, you were my favorite Teacher and friend. God Bless your Family.*

Darlene Brinker - May 30, 2020 at 06:26 AM