



James "Jim" Bickerton

April 2, 2023

James "Jim" Bickerton, age 87 a resident of Riviera Palms Rehabilitation Center, Palmetto, FL, formerly of Moundsville, WV, passed away Sunday, April 2, 2023 at Manatee Memorial Hospital, Bradenton, FL.

He was born December 9, 1935 in Moundsville son of the late Orville and Wanda Purdy Bickerton.

Jim was a retired glass mold maker from Fostoria Glass Co., with 32 years of service; he also served as an attendant at Grisell Funeral Homes & Crematory for 16 years. He was a member of the Calvary United Methodist Church, Moundsville and the Family of God United Methodist Church, Palmetto, FL. Jim was a diehard Pittsburgh Pirates Fan.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his wife: Marlene Bickerton and an infant daughter: Kathy Jo Bickerton.

Survivors include one son: Bishop Thomas J. (Sally) Bickerton of West Harrison, NY; one daughter: Jamie Ann (Brian) Rozelle of Frederick, MD; four grandchildren: Elizabeth Bickerton (Chris) Carrubba of Charlotte, NC, T.J. (Claire) Bickerton of Media, PA, Ian Robert Edwards of Bethlehem, PA and Bruce Nicholas Edwards of Cranberry Township, PA; three great grandchildren: Holden James Carrubba, Lilly Elizabeth Bickerton and Austin Dwight Carrubba.

The family will receive friends on Thursday, April 6, 2023 from 9:30am until time of service at 11:00am at the Family of God United Methodist Church, 5601-16th Ave., E., Palmetto, FL 34221. The family will also receive friends on

Monday, April 10, 2023 from 5-7pm at the Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, 400 Jefferson Ave., Moundsville, WV. Funeral Services will be held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 11:00am at Calvary United Methodist Church, 1601-1st Street, Moundsville, WV with Bishop Thomas J. Bickerton officiating assisted by Pastor Annette Carper.

Interment in Halcyon Hills Memorial Park, Sherrard, WV.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Calvary United Methodist Church or the Family of God United Methodist Church.

Cemetery Details

Halcyon Hills Memorial Park

Sherrard, WV 26003

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 6. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Family of God United Methodist Church
5601-16th Ave., E.
Palmetto, FL 34221

Funeral Service

APR 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Family of God United Methodist Church
5601-16th Ave., E.
Palmetto, FL 34221

Visitation

APR 10. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home - Moundsville
400 Jefferson Ave
Moundsville, WV 26041
(304) 845-0400
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

Funeral Service

APR 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

Calvary United Methodist Church
1601 First St.
Moundsville, WV 26041

Tribute Wall

JM

“*Brother Tom, remembering your dad with great joy. Now he is a treasure in heaven. God’s peace for you and your family. Jim McCune*

Jim McCune - April 13, 2023 at 10:39 AM

KH

“*Bishop Tom,
So saddened to hear of your father's passing. I fondly remember his addresses to the conference body, great preacher whether he considered himself to be or not. I always enjoyed talking with him at the conferences as well. He will be missed, but only for a time. His is the victory.
Kenneth A. Haines*

Kenneth A Haines - April 13, 2023 at 10:04 AM

AH

“*Dear Bishop Tom! Norma and I dearly loved Jim and first met him in Moundsville blowing glass! A wonderful man your mother also a wonderful lady! We have never forgotten them as great loving persons who greatly cared for others! Our prayers for you and family with our love and blessings! Norma and Arnold'*

Arnold G. Husk - April 13, 2023 at 05:54 AM

HC

“*I am very sorry to learn of your father's passing. I offer to you and family my deepest sympathy and surround you with my prayers.
Harry A. Coleman*

Harry Coleman - April 12, 2023 at 10:52 PM

JF

“ Tom, John and I send our deepest condolences for the loss of your dad. He was always a friendly face at District functions and as greeter at the funeral home. May God grant you and your family good grieving and lots of shared memories. God bless, John and Judy Flynn

Judy Flynn - April 12, 2023 at 06:02 PM

AT

“ Tom, we extend our sincere thanks for the life and witness of your father whom we knew and have love from first meeting in 1970. You remember that bit of history as we do with great joy. With love, Art and Mary

A. Arthur Tucker - April 12, 2023 at 03:28 PM

SR

“ Our sincere condolences to Mr. Bickerton's family, and thoughts and prayers especially for our friend Tom. May the promises of the faith sustain you during these difficult days. (Sam and Stella Roberts)

Sam Roberts - April 12, 2023 at 02:34 PM

AL

“ Alice lit a candle in memory of James "Jim" Bickerton



Alice - April 10, 2023 at 03:37 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Bickerton.*



April 10, 2023 at 03:34 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Bickerton.*



April 10, 2023 at 09:24 AM



“ *Jim was one of the finest people I have EVER known. He and Marlene were saintly. Many young folks were beneficiaries of their mentoring, and will never forget them Thank GOD for people of their faith, and their caring for others. Thank you Jim and Marlene. WELL DONE. RIP Paul Pickering*

paul pickering - April 09, 2023 at 01:37 AM

BL

“ Jim and Marlene opened their home to a group of Jamie's friends from the High School Band. Almost every weekend we would be at the Bickertons house. They had a huge influence on all of us there. Out of that group came nurses, engineers, chemists, teachers, an entrepreneur, a chef and other successful people. I know that some of our success goes back to those days with the Bickerton family. Jim always had a story to tell and was eager to hear what was going on in each of our lives. Many of that group stay in contact, some very close and some not as close as we would like but for all of us we are grateful to have known Jim and Marlene. God has two angels in heaven that will be watching over us all.
Brian & Cindy Langmyer

Brian Langmyer - April 08, 2023 at 02:32 PM

RH

“ Jim was a second dad to all of us who were in band with Jamie. He was great at making you feel at ease. He remembered every detail of any conversation you had with him. He and Marlene were a great team and I know they are in heaven together enjoying forever together! Love you Mr. B!

Retta Horner - April 08, 2023 at 11:45 AM



“ I Have You In My Heart Plush Blanket was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Bickerton.



April 08, 2023 at 11:33 AM

CB

“ Council of Bishops purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of James "Jim" Bickerton.



Council of Bishops - April 07, 2023 at 10:22 AM

PL

“ Dear Bishop Thomas J. Bickerton,

On behalf of the Korean Methodist Church, I would like to offer my condolence and deepest sympathy for the loss of your father, James Bickerton on April 2, 2023. We just wanted to let you know our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. May loving memories of your father help you find peace. May the love of Jesus surround you and bring comfort for your loss.

*President Bishop Chul Lee
Korean Methodist Church*

President Bishop Chul Lee - April 07, 2023 at 03:25 AM

JW

“ Tom, I'm so sorry to learn of your dad's passing. I know your heart is full of gratitude for the good life he lived and for all the ways he poured his life into yours, not only in your childhood, but even as you grew to be a man. You and your family will be in my prayers, especially over this Holy Weekend as you've celebrated your dad's life today among friends in Florida and then again next week West Va. - Blessings on your strength for this journey, Joy Weathersbee

Joy Weathersbee - April 06, 2023 at 10:36 PM

JW

“ Bishop Tom Bickerton and Family - I am so sorry to learn of your Father's passing. May you find some small comfort in knowing you are in my thoughts and prayers. - John Wheeler (JMHS Math)

John Wheeler - April 06, 2023 at 02:29 PM

CZ

“ Jim spoke at my Fathers Funeral and he related how his father and my father were 2 of the Good Guys . Jim was also a Good Guy he lived his life in a way that set an example for so many of us who knew him . We lived in the same Neighborhood between 2nd street and Center growing up . Rest Easy now Jim

Chris Zumbrunnen - April 05, 2023 at 07:33 PM

T.

“ The Dave Nesbit Family . purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James "Jim" Bickerton.



The Dave Nesbit Family . - April 05, 2023 at 12:17 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Bickerton.



April 05, 2023 at 10:00 AM

DN

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



David g Nesbit - April 05, 2023 at 09:44 AM

DN

Jim was a First Class Mold Maker at the Fostoria Glass Co. He was my Mentor and Friend . We became great Family Friends and did many things together like go to Ocean City in the summertime , We were both into Corvettes and we went to Corvette Rallys with Him and Marlene . My Daughter was right when she said , Marlene would be the first person at the Pearly Gates waiting to greet him .Condolences to Tom and Jamie , he was very Proud of both of you . He was loved and will be missed by the Nesbit Family .R I P Brother .

David g Nesbit - April 05, 2023 at 09:56 AM

RP

“ *Your father's priorities of faith and family are an everlasting inspiration to all. I had the opportunity to talk with him when I returned to Moundsville for my mother's memorial. He was so proud speaking of you all. May God's Peace and Strength be with you all these next days as you travel to honor your father.*
Rhonda Pritsch-Greer

Rhonda Pritsch-Greer - April 05, 2023 at 09:06 AM

CY

“ *Tom, he was a light wherever he was. Such a great man! My condolences to you and your family.*



Cyndee Holden Yeater - April 05, 2023 at 08:31 AM

DS

“ Dear Bishop Tom, Jamie and families of Jim.

Jim meant so much to all those who were blessed to know him. He had a God-given purpose that he embraced every day at Riviera Palms. He made a difference in all our lives and will be greatly missed. I am fortunate to call him my friend. I know he is happy with God and the love of his life. For this I can smile through the tears. Sadly I can't be at the celebration of his life as I have surgery the day before. Have a cup of McDonald's coffee there in his memory, he would like that.

It was my pleasure meeting the family as the weekend receptionist at RP. Go with God and my thoughts and prayers. 🙏

Donna Steinmetz

Donna Steinmetz - April 04, 2023 at 06:39 PM

RS

“ Dear Bishop Bickerton and Family,
My wife and I are saddened to hear about your father's passing, and we pray for God's comfort and presence around your family at this time of sorrow. May the service of death and resurrection you preside be a powerful witness to the love and resurrection of our Lord Christ Jesus and a beautiful time for remembrance and celebration of Your dad's life. Although we are away from you, we will join you in spirit during the service on April 11th.

With deepest sympathy,

Gunshik Shim

Rev. Gunshik Shim - April 04, 2023 at 04:57 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Bickerton.



April 03, 2023 at 02:12 PM