



## James "Jim" E. Wilson

August 16, 1939 - September 11, 2020

James E. "Jim" Wilson, age 81, of New Martinsville, WV passed away Friday, September 11, 2020 at his home.

He was born August 16, 1939 in Kingwood, WV, the son of the late Clarence J. and Vivian Ernestine Benson Wilson.

Jim served four years in the Navy and was aboard the ship that recovered the first astronaut in space, Alan Sheppard.

He was a retired Soil Conservation Service Technician with the U.S.

Government and a 21 year employee of Grisell Funeral Homes & Crematory.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his loving wife, Mary Lea Hoffman Wilson; three brothers, Clarence, Robert & Joseph Wilson.

Survivors include his son, James Michael (Lisa) Wilson of McKeesport, PA; his daughter, Jo Beth (Mike) Simmons of New Martinsville, WV; four grandchildren, Kayla (Steve) Dell, Amanda Wilson, Drew and Dillon Simmons; a great-grandson, Ainmire Dell; and a sister, Barbara Lynn Williams of Stafford, VA.

Due to Covid-19, the family will hold a private family service with Evan. Ed Melott officiating.

Entombment will be held at Northview Mausoleum.

Family wishes to thank the caring staff at Journey Hospice and caregiver, Rosie Yoho.

Arrangements entrusted to Grisell Funeral Homes & Crematory New Martinsville.

Memorial contributions can be made to Journey Hospice 314 Wells St.  
Sistersville, WV 26175.

# Tribute Wall

DW

“ *To Jim's family  
Mr Wilson was a great man and a greater friend to me, just like a dad to me as you all well know. Mom and Dad Wilson took me under their wings when I moved to New Martinsville and made me feel like family. Working with him was an answer and a help from God above. Have lots and lots of great memories and he and lovely Mrs Wilson have a special place in my heart. He will be greatly missed. Love ya Mr Wilson from Dave Wiseman*

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**David Wiseman** - September 14, 2020 at 01:50 PM

SC

“ *Jim was a patient of mine for many years. What a wonderful man. Jo Beth and family, my prayers are with you. Blessings . Shawn Core*

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**Shawn Core** - September 13, 2020 at 12:48 PM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,  
  
May your memories of James E. Wilson, give you peace, comfort and strength...  
  
Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.  
My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....  
  
US Navy Veteran, James E. Wilson, is “A True American Hero” God Bless†  
  
† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †*

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**Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum** - September 13, 2020 at 02:45 AM

CW

“ *Mike, Jo Beth and families,  
  
Our thoughts and prayers are with you; from all of us in Somerset. Wish we could be with you, but understand why we cannot.  
Bless you all,  
  
(Aunt) Carole Wilson*

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**Carole Wilson** - September 12, 2020 at 05:15 PM

KB

“ Jo Beth and Mike (and families), so sorry for your loss. I remember when you all came to Dad's funeral service; it really meant a lot to us. Wish we could be there for you. Take care, and our love and prayers are with you.

-Kim (Wilson) Blough and family

**KIMBERLY BLOUGH** - September 12, 2020 at 03:26 PM

AH

“ Jo Beth I'm lost for words. I will always cherish the times I had with him and your mother. He was the best his hugs always made me feel the love he had for others and for me. Every time I got a chance to see him out I made shore to get one of his hugs. He definitely will be missed. Know that my love and prayers go to you and my heart will be with you.



**Angel Hines** - September 12, 2020 at 01:06 PM

LH

“ I always loved seeing Jim at Grisell's. He had such a comforting way about him, never more valued than the day we brought Kobe for cremation. I'll never forget falling into his arms and feeling his strength. I thank God for Jim's life on our earth. I'm broken-hearted for his family and loved ones.

**Linda Hill** - September 12, 2020 at 06:10 AM

LV

“ JoBeth so sorry to hear about your dad.. prayers for comfort for you and your family...🙏❤️

**Lou Ann Virden** - September 11, 2020 at 09:30 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James "Jim" E. Wilson.*



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September 11, 2020 at 04:39 PM



“ *To the family of Jim Wilson,  
I am so sorry for your loss, I really enjoyed your dad, from growing up in the Baptist Church and then when I would return home for funerals. He was so nice and always happy to see people. Sending thoughts and prayers.*

*Lisa Fitzsimmons*

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**Lisa Fitzsimmons** - September 11, 2020 at 02:58 PM