



## Jamie Lee "CAT" Whipkey

September 24, 1951 - March 22, 2022

Jamie Lee "CAT" Whipkey, 70, of Glen Dale, WV died Tuesday, March 22, 2022.

He was born September 24, 1951, in Glen Dale, WV; the son of the late James and Mary (Russian) Whipkey.

Jamie graduated from Linsly Military Institute; and worked for 20 years at Fostoria Glass.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Shelley (Whipkey) Santmyer; and several aunts and uncles

Survivors include his brother-in-law, Jim Santmyer of Surprise AZ; a niece, Michelle (Santmyer) Weaver of San Diego, CA; and a nephew, Stacy J Santmyer of Lafayette, CO.

A Private Graveside service will be held at Riverview Cemetery, Moundsville.

The family asks that any and all memorial contributions be made to the Catholic Charities 2000 Main Street, Wheeling WV, 26003 <http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/>. The church offered food, showers, companionship, and shelter to Jamie in times of greatest need.

Sympathy expressions at [grisellfuneralhomes.com](http://grisellfuneralhomes.com).

# Tribute Wall

JC

“ i lived in Glen Dale from around 1964 to 1978 spending my teen years there. Glen Dale was a wonderful place at the time with lots of kids riding their bikes around town and hanging out at the park and basketball court. i remember "Cat" being at the park a lot and playing basketball till the "curfew" went off at 9:00 p.m. then all the kids had to go home. for many, many years, Cat was a part of the "Glen Dale gang" of kids and if he wasn't at the park, he was walking around and visiting various friends houses. Cat was a quiet guy but always friendly and laughing. i wish he could have found more happiness in this life but i know he is happily riding his bike around heaven now. best wishes to you Cat and may you rest in peace.

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**Jim Coster** - April 29, 2022 at 01:37 PM

DR

“ A workmate at Fostoria and a friend. I remember him buying that Kawasaki. Fastest, quickest bike you could buy at the time. Not sure he ever twisted that wick full throttle.  
Wonderful, caring guy. Rest in peace old friend.

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**Donald Robinson** - April 28, 2022 at 10:07 AM

RO

“ I was in the first grade with Jamie and he was the sweetest little guy. Smart as a whip too. Did very well in school. He was nearly deaf from a young age which contributed greatly to his problems. He had a heart of gold. Prayed for him regularly. Will miss you old friend.

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**Russ Osmianski** - April 27, 2022 at 10:29 AM

BS

“ Jamie was a good soul. Had him playing on my softball team some years after the Lou's years and he brought things to the team that transcended softball. An easygoing guy that did his best at all times, wanting to be successful within the sport but more importantly, wanted to be included with the various individuals and teams with which he participated. I enjoyed the times we spent together as he was a person I could trust to do anything for the team and be happy to be a part of the team. A true team player if ever was one, not just on the field but off the field as well. He loved Michelle and Stacey, I am a better person for knowing him. RIP.

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**Brian Santmyer** - April 15, 2022 at 11:24 PM

RO

“ The memory of "Cat" will be forever a Legend in Glen Dale. I remember Jamie being at our house reading one comic book after another from my brother Russ' collection. This was around 1965, give or take a year or two.

*Always friendly, and a great athlete ranging from Swimming to Basketball at Glen Dale Park to playing for Lou's softball team in the Moundsville "B" League. He once made an error in right field late in a playoff game which put Lou's behind. In each of his next 2 at bats he hit a 3-run homerun. Those home runs won the game. I asked him how he felt after the game. He humbly said it was his fault for Lou's being behind and he just had to do something. He certainly did.*

*Ron Oz*

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**Ron Osmianski** - April 14, 2022 at 03:17 PM

JS

“ *"You are a vapor that appears briefly then vanishes"*  
*James 4:13*

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**Jim Santmyer** - April 12, 2022 at 09:21 AM

MS

“ *17 files added to the album Memories Album*



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**Michelle Santmyer** - April 12, 2022 at 12:41 AM

JC

“ *TIME IS...TIME WAS...BUT TIME SHALL BE NO MORE...GOODBYE TO JAMIE LEE WHIPKEY, THE GLEN DALE LEGEND, A ONCE IN A LIFETIME CHARACTER WHO PASSED THROUGH OUR LIVES....." THE CAT", A PERSON WHO COULDN'T ALWAYS UNDERSTAND US WHEN WE SPOKE, WHILE WE NEVER UNDERSTOOD HIM AS HE TRAVELED THROUGH THE GAME OF LIFE.*

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**Jay W. Knapp, a fellow Linsly Cadet** - April 11, 2022 at 07:37 PM

BK

“ *I have k own Cat for years, sorry to hear of his passing*

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**Beth Kidd** - April 11, 2022 at 06:54 PM