



James Gilas

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Gilas, James, 80, of New Port Richey, passed away on Thursday, October 30, 2014 at his residence. Family will receive friends from 5-8 p.m. on Friday, October 31 at Trinity Memorial Gardens Funeral Home with Trisagion service at 6 p.m. Funeral Mass will be conducted on Saturday, November 1 at 10 a.m. at St. George Greek Orthodox Church with entombment to follow at Trinity Memorial Gardens Cemetery.



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AG

Ashley Gilas posted:

My grandfather was an amazing person. My family and I miss him deeply. He was the light of our lives. It touches my heart that he was loved by so many people. We are all saddened by his passing but please remember to smile for him, he had an amazing life. Complete with a loving wife, children, grandchildren, friends, and co-workers. He lived his last year of life to the fullest. Complete with a trip to Greece with his family, new york to see his grandchildren, and an amazing 80th birthday party that involved dancing with belly dancers. He was so young at heart and that heart lives on in spirit. My pappou's love is like the wind, I can't see it but I feel it. Forever in my heart. R.I.P pappou I hope you're dancing with angels. Your loving granddaughter, Ashley.

November 7 at 7:33 PM

LB

Linda Berghoff posted:

He was such a sweet man...always greeted you with a smile. I will miss him.Linda Berghoff, Tarpon campus

November 7 at 4:43 AM

SM

Sharon Lenas Mercer posted:

Jimmy was my mentor with all things Greek! I am proud of my heritage and whenever I would need things interpreted Jimmy was there. I loved hearing stories about his family! He was such a loving, kind, generous man. I miss him so much. I cannot imagine his families loss and grief. He was just one of those people you instantly liked and felt at home with in conversations. I only wish my father could of met Jimmy. I would of loved to hear their conversation about the homeland!Rest in eternal, blissful peace Jimmy! You have left a beautiful legacy in your gorgeous, loving children and grandchildren!God Bless his beautiful family and help them in this most needed time!Sharon Lenas Mercer

November 7 at 3:39 AM

RL

Roxana Levin posted:

Jim was the nicest person to see every morning. He will always talk about his love for his family and his experiences in Latin-America. He will carry a conversation with me in Spanish and talk to me about his summers in Cartagena. We all love him at the Tarpon Springs Campus. His smile and kindness will be missed.

November 7 at 2:26 AM



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GB

Gail Bergman posted:

I will always remember Jimmy for his dedication to SPC and his incredible knowledge on so many things. Some days, he would address me in German and I would respond in German. Other days, he would say something in Greek, but not being too familiar with the language, all I could do was smile. It was clear that Jimmy was well-liked and very kind. I also appreciated the numerous rides he gave me in the golf cart, especially on a rainy day. A well lived life is a life lived well. God bless.

November 3 at 7:39 AM

KF

Krista Fusari posted:

I will always remember Jimmy for his kindness and compassion toward others. His light will forever shine within the SPC family, and my life has been richly blessed having known him. Rest in peace, sweet friend.

November 3 at 4:53 AM

DW

Diane White posted:

Jimmy, you will be forever missed. I will always remember your sweet smile and gentle heart. May God keep you as one of his special angels! Prayers for the Gilas family for courage and strength in this time of sorrow. Diane and Rich White

October 31 at 7:16 AM

CC

Casey Crane posted:

Jimmy, I always enjoyed our conversations when you were working at the college and we'd run into each other. You were always quick with a smile and a joke, and it made my day so much better after each of our interactions. To your family, I pray for a spirit of peace during this time; that they focus on the joy your life brought into this world instead of the grief of your passing. Rest in peace, my friend.

October 31 at 6:08 AM

DB

Dan Barto posted:

Jimmy, you will be missed my man. Dan Barto

October 31 at 5:58 AM



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Deborah Boyle posted:

Dear Helena and family, Please accept my deepest sympathy. Jimmy was a fine man and made a real difference at St. Petersburg College. It was my pleasure to know and work with him. He will be truly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you during these sad days. Deborah Boyle
President's Office
St. Petersburg College

October 31 at 4:53 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring James by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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