



## James "Jim" Charles Salsgiver

January 17, 1939 - May 26, 2020

James 'Jim' Charles Salsgiver, joined his wife Gail, son Mark, parents Charles & Geraldine, brothers and sisters Jerry, Dorothy, Sue, & Danny in his eternal home on May 26, 2020. 'Pappy', as he was known to family, had struggled with health concerns in recent years. The faith that we all share assures us that he is alive in our Savior, strong, restored and overjoyed!

He is survived by his youngest son, Erik and wife Melanie (FL), grandsons Jake (CA), Mason, his wife Kaylie (FL), their boys William & Wakefield, granddaughters Emma (FL) and Eileen, & her fiancé, Anthony (CA), and his brothers & sisters Carol Ann (OH), Robert and Marsha (PA), Cheryl (FL), and Ted (PA).

Jim was born in Mentcle, PA on January 17, 1939, the oldest of his nine siblings. He met the love of his life at a high school basketball game in Purchase Line, PA, at the school they both attended. They later married on October 22, 1960. Their marriage set a loving example for over 52 years, and only Mamere's (as Gail was known) early passing separated them temporarily. After high school, Jim traveled to Michigan to pursue his business education, and was recruited into the FBI during the Hoover years, and later worked for SafeWay. Mamere & Pappy spoke fondly of their young married days in DC, but dreamed of raising their boys in the idyllic PA setting they remembered from their childhood. They returned home and pursued a variety of small businesses, landing most successfully on Glenwood Personal Care Home in Glen Campbell, which Jim ran until his retirement at 50. Afterward, Jim would

recall that they would 'take a trip somewhere every month'. As their boys grew and became involved in activities, Jim took great pride in supporting them both. He was blessed to be involved in the lives of his grandchildren and great-grandsons, and his way with children made it obvious he was raised in a houseful! After Gail's passing, Jim made the decision to relocate to Florida, and enjoyed his last few years traveling and enjoying his family. In his newly adopted city of Tallahassee, FL, Jim joined his children and found a home in St. John's Episcopal Church, enjoying his connection with the parish greatly. The family would like to extend their thanks to their clergy & church family for your ever-constant support and prayer. As well, we would like to thank the caregivers at Capital Regional Medical Center for their compassion, skill and professionalism in his recent days.

A service in memory of Jim will be held on on Friday, May 29th at 11:00am at Bevis Funeral Home, 200 John Knox Rd, Tallahassee, 32303, The Reverend Abigail W. Moon presiding. Due to COVID restrictions, only immediate family may attend in person, however, a live-stream will be made available on the Bevis site by clicking on Jim's obituary, then clicking on photos and videos tab at the time of the service. Jim's inurnment will be held at a later date, he will be placed by his wife at Fry Cemetery in Grant Township, PA.

Jim loved plants & flowers, and also asked that any who preferred to honor his memory otherwise, please consider doing so through an offering to St. John's Episcopal Church, 211 N Monroe St., Tallahassee, FL 32301. Todd Wahlquist with Bevis Funeral home (850-385-2193, [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com)) is assisting the Salsgiver family with their arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

MAY **29**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Bevis Funeral Home & Crematory  
200 John Knox Rd  
Tallahassee, FL 32303  
(850) 385-2193

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bevis Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of James "Jim" Charles Salsgiver*



Bevis Funeral Home - May 28, 2020 at 11:47 AM



“ *Thank you*

AMPN - November 05, 2025 at 10:55 PM



“ *We all were so close for so many years through thick and thin and we had so many wonderful times together, watching our children grow and prosper and making us so proud. Times we will cherish and never forget as long as we live. Everyone looked up to Jim and Gayle. We love all of you so much and wish you weren't so far away. You have our deepest sympathy.*

marsha salsgiver - May 29, 2020 at 11:59 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Charles Salsgiver.*



May 28, 2020 at 09:57 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Charles Salsgiver.*



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May 28, 2020 at 09:33 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Charles Salsgiver.*



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