



James O'Dell Durham Sr.

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James O'Dell Durham Sr., 93, of Charlotte, passed away
Wednesday, July 12, 2023.

A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, July 17, 2023 at Westminster Gardens Cemetery, Greensboro.

James "Jim" Durham was born in Greensboro, NC and he graduated from Grimsley High School. His college career was interrupted by the call of duty from the US Army during the Korean War where he was stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington. After being honorably discharged from the Army, he married "the love of his life" and shared 68 years together. He is survived by his devoted and loving wife, Jane Murray of Charlotte, NC, along with 3 of their 4 children; Jimmy (Phyllis) Durham of Maui, HI; John (Lynn) Durham of Greensboro, NC; and Janet (David) Cauthen of Huntersville, NC; Grandchildren Dr. Michael Batres of Charleston, SC; Erica Batres Witek (Ryan) of San Jose, California; Micajah Durham of Greensboro, NC. He is preceded in death by his parents, Rufus Lucien Durham and Anne Leak Gray; brothers, George & Bill Durham of Greensboro and his son, Joel Mark Durham of Charlotte, NC; and son-in-law, Marco Batres of Charlotte, NC.

Jim worked for many years in the Food Industry for McCormick Spice, Nabisco, as a District Sales Manager for Armour Dial, and finally Action Food Sales of Charlotte, NC before retiring in 1995. He enjoyed his retirement with family by gardening, traveling, oil painting, playing golf & bingo! He was an active member of his political party, and support several charitable causes and organizations, such as, the Wounded Warrior Project, St. Judes Children's Hospital, and the American Legion. His sense of humor and big, bold laugh will be greatly missed and always remembered.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to a previously mentioned charity, or to the American Cancer Society, or to Hospice of Charlotte. His family would like to thank and is forever grateful for the compassion, dedication, and care he received from Novant Hospital Huntersville.



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James Funeral Home is assisting the family, online condolences may be made at www.jamesfuneralhomelkn.com.



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Graveside Service

 **Monday**, July 17, 2023

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ET

 **Westminster Gardens**
3601 Whitehurst Rd., Greensboro NC 27410





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Phyllis posted:

My favorite memory of Pops was him coming out to Hawaii and teaching my mom how to paint. There was much laughter, smiles and love shared on my back Lanai over looking the ocean. Phyllis

July 14 at 1:14 PM



Michael Hughes lit a candle in honor of James.

Jim Sr. was a good man and a friend as his whole family has been for a long time. He will be remembered and missed. Mike Hughes

July 13 at 6:25 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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