



James F. Calvano

September 24, 1936 - July 30, 2024

In Loving Memory of James F. Calvano

James F. Calvano, a cherished husband, father, grandfather, and friend, passed away on July 30, 2024, at the age of 87. Born on September 24, 1936, he led a distinguished corporate career, which was only surpassed by his devotion to his family and friends. James was a devoted husband for 60 years, and he is survived by his beloved wife, Sherrie. Their enduring love and partnership were an inspiration to all who knew them. Together, they built a life centered around strong family values, lasting friendships, and laughter.

Jim is predeceased by his mother and father, James and Suzan, and is survived by his brother, Robert (Bob) and his wife Doroithia. Jim leaves behind five children: Christine, James (and his wife Mary), John (and his wife Sylvia), Marc, and Michael (and his partner Sandi). He was also a proud grandfather to thirteen grandchildren: Melissa, Brittney, Morgan, James, Jonathan, Amanda, Brianna, Anthony, Madison, Catherine, Mariah, Gavin, and Nicholas. Additionally, he leaves behind six great-grandchildren: Emory, Pearson, Benjamin, Hayes, Sloane, and Nolan. His memory will live on in the hearts and minds of all who knew and loved him.

Jim's life was defined by his remarkable professional achievements and moral character, along with his devotion to family, generous spirit, and unwavering support and encouragement, which will continue to inspire generations.

The family wishes to celebrate James's life in private and would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to all who have offered their condolences and support during this difficult time.

May James Calvano rest in eternal peace, forever surrounded by the love and warmth he brought to so many lives.

Tribute Wall

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“ Jim was a childhood friend from our Chicago neighborhood of 86th Place and Cregier. We were also in the same class that graduated from St Felicitas school in 1950. Oh, so many memories of our childhood games such as winning World War II in the empty lots near our houses. We also played softball and football on those lots we called prairies. Jim was the quarterback for our 8th grade football team and he connected with me as left end for a few touchdown passes. I can conjure up so many memories of our childhoods together. How often my mind wanders back to those days with Jim.

Dear friend, May you Rest in Peace.

Tom Fanning

Appleton, Wisconsin

Tom Fanning - September 29, 2024 at 06:45 PM

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Tom Fanning has it right: Jim Calvano was an incredible human being - approachable, honest, extremely bright, fun, a remarkable leader in a very truthful and humble way and always with a smile. His mom and dad were terrific, humble and encouraging next door neighbors on 86th Place by our “Dan Ryan” 2 expressways of those days - 87th street carrying steel in and out of the So-east side of Chicago’s incredible 24 hours a day steel mills and Stony Island Av bringing the steel to the world and the world into our steel mills’ area!!

Jim was our block’s leader in our games and children level activities - basketball court in our alley, building a fort in the prairie, a softball diamond also in our prairie, and playing sewer to sewer (softball, football and hockey) in the street we lived on - (again 86th street!!). Jim moved from leader of the 8-10 of us on our block to the leader and QB of our grade school team to a solid contributor in on our Terry Brennan coached Mount Carmel HS football team and then onto the business world - and quickly to the top. His mathematical mind was that of a wizard. Jim’s younger brother Bob was a wonderful contributor to our block, our grade school - St. Felicitas Parish grade school - as well as our high school too. In short, a great family in so many ways.

Jim opened doors to our world for me from the very first days we moved onto the block right after our family returned from the San Diego Naval Base (1946) where my dad was serving his WWII time in the service.

My best wishes to Jim’s wife, children, grand children and the greats too and all they meet up with and/or share their lives with. Their grandpa and grandma are THE Best!

Bob Keeley - October 12, 2024 at 12:54 PM

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“ Sandra Roch lit a candle in memory of James F. Calvano



Sandra Roch - August 24, 2024 at 08:55 PM

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“ *Debbie Zaccario lit a candle in memory of James F. Calvano*



Debbie Zaccario - August 14, 2024 at 08:16 PM