



James E. Williams, Jr.

July 26, 1926 - September 26, 2014

James E. "Jimmy" Williams, 88, of Jupiter, Florida, passed away at his home September 26, 2014. He wanted all to know that he didn't die willingly; he wasn't quite done with fishing, golfing, boating, and teasing his family and many friends. He left for his trip to heaven kicking and screaming but he was excited at the prospect of meeting his Lord and Savior.

Jimmy was born July 26, 1926, during a hurricane, in Jupiter, Florida. He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Annie Addison Williams, Sr., sister, Cleo Bassett, and brother, AJ Williams. He is survived by Linda Sue Williams, his wife of 68 years; daughter, Jan (Paul) Herchen of Tequesta, Florida; grandchildren, Trisha (Shawn) Hardin, Christi (Jason) Lovelady, Ryan Herchen; great-grandchildren, James, Piper and Jake Lovelady; niece, Linda Stedem and longtime friend, Mike Elliot.

Jimmy entered the United States Navy in March of 1951, where he served for four years. It was while he was stationed in Corpus Christi, Texas, that he met his beautiful wife Sue. Jimmy was very proud of his years of service and was a generous supporter of The Renewal Coalition, formally The Wounded Warriors.

Upon his discharge from the Navy he returned to Jupiter and went to work as a sheet metal worker. He joined Boys Roofing in West Palm Beach and found his niche in life. In 1958, with Addis Worley, he founded Jupiter Roofing and Sheet Metal. He expanded his business by buying Carpenter's Roofing in West Palm Beach in 1990. Some of the many projects he worked on include

the Contemporary Hotel and The Polynesian Hotel at Disney World; Harriet Himmel Theater, originally the First United Methodist Church, at City Place in West Palm Beach, FL.; Pratt Whitney; the Navel tracking Station on Andros Island; Paradise Island; Cape Canaveral; Emory University Hospital in Atlanta, Georgia; numerous estates in Palm Beach and on Jupiter Island; and many Casinos and hotels in the Bahamas.

Jimmy had many hobbies and interests, including flying, water sports, boating, fishing, golfing, boxing and storytelling. He was very proud of his pilot's license and flew many trips to the Bahama Islands. He even crashed his sea plane in the Loxahatchee River. He loved fishing and participated in many fishing tournaments in Florida, the Bahamas, Panama, Costa Rico and Mexico. As a Master Angler, he was a member of The Master Anglers Fishing Club. He loved his many sport fishing yachts, all named Numero Uno, and was a fixture at the marinas throughout the Bahamas, Ocean Reef Club, The Sailfish Club, and the Palm Beach Fishing Club. An avid golfer, Jimmy played at many golf clubs around the county and held memberships at The Tequesta Country Club, and the Turtle Creek Club. As a young man he enjoyed boxing with his buddies and carried that interest with him into the Navy and even after he was discharged.

Jimmy never met a stranger. Everyone was his "Bubba". He was generous with his time and resources; always willing to help out a friend or a stranger. Jimmy was blessed through his life's journey with many special friends, family members and co-workers. Please know that each and every one of you played an important role in ushering him home.

A visitation and celebration of Jimmy's life will be held at Taylor Modeen Funeral Home, 250 Center Street, Jupiter, FL on Monday, September 29, 2014 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. There will be a graveside service for family and friends at 10:30 am on Tuesday, September 30, 2014 at Riverside Memorial Park in Tequesta. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Jimmy's favorite organization, The Renewal Coalition (formally The Wounded Warriors), 88 West Riverside Dr., Jupiter, FL, 33469.

Tribute Wall



“ *James E. Williams, Jr.*

October 22, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ *My condolences to the family of Jimmy Williams. Our prayers are with you and you will truly be missed. God Bless.*

Aron Salas - Stuart, FL - October 08, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Junnie you will be truly missed by all !!You are always in my mother[evelyn lanier] and mine conversations. You were always so kind to us . Junnie rest in peace my friend.*

Timothy & Heather O'Leary - winter springs, FL - Friend - September 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *This world has lost a special person! God Bless, Pam Hart & Jack Reid*

A friend - September 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Jimmy was one of my favorite patients..He always put a smile on my face..When I would come to the house to see him, he would holler "ANDE"..made me giggle..he had the best personality and it was a pleasure to take care of him! May he RIP!*

Carla Hansel - Palm Beach Gardens, FL - nurse - September 30, 2014 at 12:00 AM

FF

“ R.I.P. Jimmy...you will be missed. You are one of a kind Frank,
Diana & Bo Tardonia

Frank, Diana & Frankie Tardonia - Jupiter, FL - Friends - September 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Dear Williams Family, May the God of comfort give you peace.
Isaiah 61:1,2

A friend - September 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ I cannot imagine the celebration in heaven for Jimmy - with sister
Cleo, Jimmy Bassett, my Mom and Dad and all the others. Linda
Sue and Jan, you are in my prayers.

take care

Skip Gladwin

Skip Gladwin - Jupiter, FL - friend - September 29, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PF

“ Jimmy although I only met you once at Jupiter Cove, Mike had told
me a lot about you. God Bless!

Pat Lydon - Friend - September 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ RIP and May God Bless

Kevin Casey - Macon, GA - September 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ I have had Sue, Jan, and the rest of the family in my thoughts and prayers over the past days. Thanks to Tricia for updates on facebook. She was my source of information over the past several days. Also, many happy memories come to mind of Jimmy over the years also and his love for life and enthusiasm he had for what he loved to do and those he cared for. Hugs for Sue as she goes through the next few days. Love to you all. Mary Ann Ellison

A friend - September 28, 2014 at 12:00 AM