



James Henahan

September 2, 1928 - August 11, 2021

Jim Henahan, a long-term resident of West Toledo, passed away on August 11, 2021. Jim lived a happy 92 years, 68 of them married to his beloved wife Louise. He leaves as his survivors Louise, sons Marty (Carrie) and Pat (Ellen), both residents of California, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Jim spent his entire professional life as an educator, primarily at Woodward High School in Toledo, where he taught History for 33 years. While there, he co-founded the Northwestern Ohio High School Ice Hockey League and served as Commissioner for 5 years. Jim's motto for the League was "A boy on ice is better than a boy in hot water". Jim also served as the business manager for the Woodward Extravaganza for 2 years and as the Athletic Equipment Manager for 8 years. Prior to his teaching career, Jim served in the US Army as a junior officer. His tour of duty took him to Hokkaido, Japan in 1953-1954 where he first learned to ski. In his retirement, Jim returned to his alma mater, the University of Toledo, and participated in that institution's Program 60 for a number of years, enjoying many courses in history and writing. With Louise, he took an active role in outdoor activities; together they biked, rollerbladed, skied, hiked and traveled. He also enjoyed swimming, sailing, photography and researching his family's ancestry. Jim was the son of James J. Henahan, a Toledo automobile dealer and Elizabeth "Bess" Gallagher Henahan, the daughter of a blacksmith. Memorials may be made to St. Francis or Central Catholic High Schools or Corpus Christi University Parish.

A Graveside Service will be held on Thursday, August, 19th at Calvary Cemetery at 11:00 a.m. Please view and sign our online "guest registry" at CoyleFuneralHome.com

Previous Events

Graveside Service

AUG **19**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Calvary Cemetery
2224 Dorr St.
Toledo, OH 43607

Tribute Wall

JB


“ Louise, We are so sorry for the loss of your husband. It was always a pleasure when we ran into you at Mass or Jing Chuan’s on Saturday evening. I will always gratefully remember that he traced our family tree. I have been able to help many nieces and nephews and answer their questions because of Jim. Sending love, Bob and Judy Bennett

Judy Bennett - August 18, 2021 at 08:36 PM

PH

“ Remembering Jim warms my heart. He and my late husband, Joe, were such good friends. Thanks for the memories. Phyllis Horvath

phyllis horvath - August 17, 2021 at 05:23 AM

 Sandra Gallagher-Rooks

“ Mr. Henahan was my History Teacher in 78-79 at Woodward HS, I really enjoyed his class. He was really easy to talk to. Sending prayers for the family, so sorry for your loss.

Sandra Gallagher-Rooks - August 16, 2021 at 02:04 AM

RM

“ Marty and Pat, my deepest sympathies on the loss of your dad. I always enjoyed bumping in to your mom and dad. He always had a kind word and was so very humble. Thinking back on it I have know your dad since I was 6. He took me to my first Knight’s football game. All my love to your mom and know the Knights of 75 page is filling up with positive thoughts for you and your family.
Bob

robert martin - August 15, 2021 at 09:01 PM

MZ

“ Thank you for your efforts forming and running the NWOHSHL. I played three years for St. Francis de Sales. Your work is remembered and appreciated to this very day. My father, Steve Zaleski, coached both St. Francis & Ottawa Hills. He had the highest praise for you.

*Matt Zaleski
SFS '78*

Matt Zaleski - August 15, 2021 at 08:48 PM

AW

“ I remember Jim and Louise at daily mass at Corpus Christi. A wonderful couple love n blessings. Ann Welly

ann welly - August 15, 2021 at 07:17 PM

TP

“ The Mary Manse circle grows small now.
What happy times we shared with Jim and Louise!
Jim...a gentleman and a scholar.
Louise, we will be just be a phone call away.
A final shout-out, Jim.....Go Irish! 🍀🙌🍀
The old Tiffin friends,
Mary Catharine and Gene

The Phillips - August 14, 2021 at 09:59 PM

PK

“ Dear Louise & Beloved Family of Jim,

Please know that our loving thoughts, prayers and deepest condolences are with you at this difficult time of loss. It is with a heavy heart that we acknowledge the passing of our good friend Jim. We pray that cherished memories will sustain you in the days ahead.

We shall never forget the warm and thoughtful observance of our 50th Wedding Anniversary graciously hosted by you and Jim during our visit to Toledo in June of 2009!

In Life as in Death, we are "forever friends"!

May Jim rest in the peace of his Creator, and may God's blessings be upon each of you.

Pat (Ryan) & Joe Kay, Brea, CA

Pat & Joe Kay - August 14, 2021 at 07:31 PM

NC

“ Dear friends,

So glad you have gathered together with family and friends to pay tribute to dear Jim. Due to living in Indiana now for many, many years, I will not be physically present as you celebrate Jim's life. I have fond memories of my Toledo days with Jim and Louise. Jim's sense of humor was delightful. When Hank and I moved into a new home in Toledo on Collingwood Blvd. Jim was one of the first friends, who joined Hank on ladders to paint the entire downstairs rooms. Jim was a friend who had many a good story and despite his eyesight failing, he often made us laugh and relax. Jim's life was always a life well-lived with his wife, Louise, right beside him.

nancy coyle - August 14, 2021 at 09:35 AM

JG

Dear Louise - Your family was such an integral part of our family when I was growing up! It just wasn't a celebration without you and your "games"... if you recall I even brought my daughter in law, Montse, and grandchildren to your house to play with your toys and view Jim's incredible photography! We now live in California, perhaps we can get together! Love always, Jenny (Zemper) and Jim Gilmore

Jennifer Gilmore - August 19, 2021 at 12:09 PM

MC

Dear Louise, So sorry for your loss. I remember fondly you and Jim at noon Mass and Saturday Mass at Corpus Christi. Please be assured of my thought and prayer. Sister Margaret M. Collins

Margaret M. Collins - August 21, 2021 at 03:11 PM