



James P Ryan

February 23, 1947 - July 23, 2016

James P. (Popeye) Ryan, 69, of Diamondhead, loving husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend passed away July 23, 2016 surrounded by his family. He was born February 23, 1947 in St. Paul Minnesota. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Dental Hygiene from the University of Minnesota. He was All State wrestler 1964 – 1965 and a member of the US Olympic Wrestling Team in 1966 in Mexico City.

James is survived by his loving wife Jenny LaForte; children, Erin (Carol) Ryan and Meagan Martinez of Minnesota and Sean (Josh) Ryan of Seattle; stepchildren, Claudine (Onur) Altunbilek of Minnesota and Jason (Gina) LaForte of Iowa; sisters, Mary (Micawa) Martinez and Kathleen Fisler of Minnesota; also survived by 10 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild.

Special friends and golfing buddies of the Fore Seasons Golf Group; Dear and special friends Ed Byron, Chris Chaich and Chuck Dionne.

Special thanks to the doctors and nurses at St. Vincent's ICU and Arkansas Hospice for their wonderful care and comfort they provided for Jim.

Mass of Christian burial will be at St. Mary of the Springs Catholic Church, Hot Springs at 11:00 A.M. Wednesday, July 27th. A celebration of Jim's life will

immediately following at Diamondhead Country Club.
He will be greatly missed. "Yeah Baby"

Tribute Wall

TR

“ I just learned of Jim's death 5 minutes ago. He and I were in advisory together for four years at Cretin HS and became close friends. We often walked up to the pizza place by his house near the Cathedral in St.Paul. Good memories. Very sad to hear about his death. My best to all his family and friends. Tom Regal, Houston, TX

Tom Regal - September 30, 2016 at 05:13 PM

JM

“ Jonathan & Jaclyn Chaffee - Hugo, MN purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of James P Ryan.



Jonathan & Jaclyn Chaffee - Hugo, MN - July 26, 2016 at 10:08 AM

BL

“ James always brought a smile to my face when I was around him. He was a fun guy with a great personality. He will be missed in the Diamondhead community. Butch Lorenz

Butch Lorenz - July 26, 2016 at 09:58 AM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of James P Ryan.



July 25, 2016 at 08:18 PM

MF

“ *Jim Ryan was one of those remarkable people that immediately made a wonderful lasting impression the first time you met him! He will be dearly missed! May Jenny, his wife, and family find comfort that he is most assuredly in heaven. God Bless!* ”

Marianne Fusselman - July 25, 2016 at 07:29 PM

TF

“ *The Service Family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of James P Ryan.* ”



The Service Family - July 25, 2016 at 10:17 AM

SF

“ *Schaaf, Jacobson and Patterson Families purchased the Tender Tribute for the family of James P Ryan.* ”



Schaaf, Jacobson and Patterson Families - July 25, 2016 at 09:06 AM

NM

“ *Prayers, thoughts & love to Jenny & all family members. Jim was a dear friend whom I will miss but who will always remain in my heart!* ”

Nadine McCreary - July 24, 2016 at 07:49 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of James P Ryan.*



July 24, 2016 at 07:45 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James P Ryan.*



July 24, 2016 at 05:40 PM



“ *We will so miss Popeye, his infectious laugh and smile. You could always hear his joy echoing all over Diamondhead Golf Course! We looked forward to playing Monday night golf with him and Chris, listening to Jimmy Buffet and downing a few beers. Until we meet again, Popeye, "Yeah, Baby!"*
Todd and Marcia Walker

Todd and Marcia Walker - July 24, 2016 at 04:49 PM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of James P Ryan.*



July 24, 2016 at 03:55 PM