



James denOuden

May 17, 1961 - August 4, 2020

James (Jim) denOuden, born May 17th, 1961 (59), passed away peacefully in hospice care after a hard-fought battle with lung cancer and encephalitis on August 4th, 2020. He is survived by his wife, Linda denOuden; his mother Ria; his children and grandchildren, and many other family and friends who continue to surround his memory with care and love each day.

Jim was a consistently hard working, dedicated man. He never settled for a day in bed when he could be out in his workshop creating some of the most gorgeous pieces of furniture that now span the city of Las Vegas, and are luckily spaced around other States for those who commissioned his skillful work. He wasn't one to slow down, always a whirl of endless energy and love for what he did. Anyone who knew him was well aware of his passion for work, his family, and his favorite NFL team, the Dallas Cowboys. His family always knew him to be the kind of man who gave as much to the people he cared about as he could, just because he could.

He leaves behind memories of a great man for his family and friends, who continue to remember the little things that made up his life and the love he surrounded others with. From his sense of humor to his knack for sports, Jim's spirit continues to live on in the hearts and lives of those who knew him well. With respects to Jim's wishes and his family's needs, kind thoughts and words can all be directed below. Please sign the guest book with messages for his family and stories that surround your memory of him. For any further condolences, such as flower deliveries, please contact

mharris6473@yahoo.com for an appropriate address. His family requests that this page be a space filled with love and honor; that it exists as a place to cherish the strong memories of Jim's life.

Tribute Wall

LD

“ I can't believe three years have gone by. Every day I wake up hoping it was all just a bad dream. And every day my heart breaks again. . Sometimes I feel you near me, like a whisper on the wind. And now Abby is with you. I'm glad you were there to meet her. I told her you would be, and not to be afraid. Knowing she would be with you helped ease the pain of losing her too. I'm trying baby. It's not easy living without you. But I'm trying. You rest easy, my love. One day we'll be together again. Until then, I will love you forever.

Linda denOuden - August 01, 2023 at 12:45 PM

AS

“ I was not graced to know Jim prior to his passing but that is not to say that his life has not left an imprint on me. I met Jim's beautiful wife, Linda following his passing and deep in her grief we became friendssoul sisters, actually. She has shared so many stories about this wonderful man that I actually feel as though he was an old friend that I knew well. From his kindness to his talents, to the love that he shared with his wife, family and friends it is clear that Jim filled his short-lived life with so much goodness. He packed it full. They say that the good die young and this holds true when it comes to Jim for his departure came far before his time. Jim, wherever you are, you must know how terribly you are missed every single day. Somehow, I think you had your hand in my friendship with Linda. Somehow, I think it was you that put us on the path to meeting as a way to help her through her grief. You did such a fine job looking after her while you were here that your absence has left an excruciating void. Though you have transcended the confines of this world, I believe that you are always near her, guiding her along the path, sending good friends her way to help her through. I'm sure you are as proud of her for her strength as I am. RIP, dear man.

Alexandra Stockfish - January 10, 2022 at 08:01 PM

LD

“ Another holiday without you by my side has passed. 17 months of missing you, wishing I could turn back time and bring you back. But as the song says "I could have missed the pain, but I'd have had to miss, the dance". I see the signs you send me. I smile at the memories even as tears flow. I have kept your memory alive. And I hope you'd approve of the life I'm trying to live without you. But I am just counting down the days until we are together again. Until my hand is once again in yours. Until then, I will think of you every day, miss you every night, and love you forever and always. Linda

Linda DenOuden - January 06, 2022 at 02:53 PM

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PH

“ I remember Jim cooking and making everyone feel at home when we had BBQs in Vegas. He truly was a kind loving person

Pamela Haywood - September 21, 2020 at 07:15 PM

LW

“ You will definitely be missed by so many! May you Rest In Peace! Continued prayers for Linda and family that he is always with you watching over you with love!

Lorie Wu - August 21, 2020 at 06:21 AM

CO

“ Jim will be missed always with a smile and a quick remark to start your day Rest in peace

Cala Oak - August 10, 2020 at 11:38 PM

TG

“ Even though you were a Cowboys fan, I still considered a friend! Rest in peace. You'll be missed.

Thomas Grande - August 10, 2020 at 06:08 PM

PT

“ I first met Jim while working at Treasure Island doing a remodel. I rarely meet people who are so much fun to work with. Though it was temporary work for him, we kept in contact through the years but because we both shared the same work ethic, we rarely had time to socialize. My wife, son, and I visited the house years ago and since then we affectionately refer to him as "Canadian Jim". Our last visit at the Stratosphere was a nice reunion and now that landmark will serve as a sweet reminder of one of the nicest people I've ever met. I love that you can see it from anywhere in our city! I struggle to wrap my mind around the fact that I will never get to hear his unique laugh or funny reactions again in this life. He is and will forever be missed. Thank you Linda for always taking care of my friend and I am so sorry for your loss.

Paul Tick - August 09, 2020 at 09:54 PM

TG

“ RIP

Tana Gilmore - August 09, 2020 at 05:35 PM

RE

“ He was a great Father and loving husband!

Reeta Everett - August 09, 2020 at 12:59 PM

LB

“ To know Jimmy was to love him. Jimmy was my best friend and we caused ruckus amongst the streets in Kingston in our younger days. He ended up being my best man, and also a great friend to my wife Chantal. He was taken far too young, but if you knew Jimmy, you knew his heart of gold will continue to shine through every soul that he touched. Jim, if you're able to see this - even though we lost touch for a while, reconnecting with you and Linda was great. If it wasn't for facebook, we wouldn't have been able to catch up. Linda, thank you for giving Jim a great 20 years, lord knows how happy you two were. And despite now Jim leaving earth, his heart and soul will surely stay with you. Our Condolences, Larry and Chantel Bouyers

Larry and Chantel Bouyers - August 09, 2020 at 10:02 AM

ES

“ May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow. Deepest Condolences from Linda and I

Ernest Smith - August 09, 2020 at 07:57 AM

CB

“ Jim ... u had an amazing wife .. amazing kids Ur wife loved u so much that u were an inspiration for me to be a better woman Please look over us as the angel u are and guide and show us what love is You will be greatly missed ... Coral

Coral Bodtker - August 09, 2020 at 01:57 AM

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“ *Snippets of a life well lived, And a man well loved. Forever in my heart.*

Linda denOuden - August 08, 2020 at 09:19 PM

JH

“ I was so sorry to hear of Jim's passing. He was a great father to Michelle and Jeff, a good husband, and a good friend to all that knew him.

Jason Herd - August 08, 2020 at 07:15 PM

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Linda - August 08, 2020 at 06:56 PM

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“ My condolences to Linda and all of your family. I met Jim at your BBQ from one of your PhantomEFX events, and will always remember him fondly. May his memory live forever. Hugs Linda aka ATouchOfClass54

Allan Nathanson - August 08, 2020 at 10:20 AM

GZ

“ I am so sorry for your lost Linda and RIP Jim

Gerald Zeivel - August 08, 2020 at 09:19 AM

RR

“ I will definitely miss Jim's humor and his zest for life. One of the things that bonded us together was our love for our Dallas Cowboys. I will always be amazed as to how good he was at his craft (Wood Working), and wanting to put out a good product. His memory will always be cherished!!

Ronnie Ray - August 08, 2020 at 08:41 AM

SC

“ We met at the Eastside Cannery in the bingo room. I was your bartender/waitress and we all connected right away. You loved joking around with me and giving me a hard time. I will never forget when your wife Linda was struggling going through breast cancer and how loving you were to her. You shaved your head to match hers and that was so touching to see. I knew right away how much you loved your wife just by the way you treated her. Your marriage together was priceless. Although you guys did not come in often I was always happy to see you when you did come in. I'm so happy I met all of you and feel fortunate that Linda kept in touch with me through all this. I know we will always remain friends. I'm truly sorry I did not get to talk to you or see you before you passed away. You will be missed. Linda and family I just want to say my heart goes out to all of you during this very difficult time. May God give you strength and bring you peace.

Santina Caronia - August 07, 2020 at 10:16 PM

EV

“ Always loved your personality..I guess you didn't think you would gain a Mexican daughter and inherit a Mexican grandson...so here is proof...I'm going to miss you a lot and I am glad my little family and I had you in our lives..we are going to miss you so much and most of going to miss you sitting and listening to me about my conversation or issues I had . I am going to miss u being at the garage greeting me coming in to the house. Going to miss my white dad...lol....don't worry we will take care of your beautiful wife..love you always

Ellie (Mexican Daughter) Villalva - August 07, 2020 at 07:33 PM



“ I just wanted to send my condolences to Troy & the entire family. I'm deeply sorry for your loss & hope you find some comfort knowing he is resting peacefully & always with you. -Mandy

August 07, 2020 at 06:06 PM



“ I sign this book with a broken heart. I regret that John and I cannot be there for you. Much love to you, Linda, reaching out to you.

Carolyn Doyle - August 07, 2020 at 04:03 PM



“ No words Linda.

Dale Folkers - August 07, 2020 at 09:14 AM



“ In loving memory of a wonderful person. We will love you and miss you always.

Pamela Haywood - August 07, 2020 at 09:06 AM



“ Lynn, I did not know you and Bob but followed your journey on Twitter. It touched my heart beyond words. Your immense love for each other was beautiful and enviable. I will continue to pray for you and your family in this difficult time.

Aimee Weierheiser - August 07, 2020 at 08:05 AM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss

Shelly McCoy - August 07, 2020 at 06:13 AM

RE

“ *What a wonderful man!*

Reeta Everett - August 07, 2020 at 06:08 AM

LB

“ *Jim your kindness, BBQing skills and obvious love for your family and others will always be remembered. I am sorry your time on earth was cut short. I know you will continue to send reminders to your amazing wife and family.*

Leslie Barriger - August 07, 2020 at 05:40 AM

ZP

“ *Linda & Family, my deepest heartfelt condolences to you and your family at this difficult time. I feel I know him just from you sharing your inspiring love story. We can all look forward to being with our loved ones again someday in Paradise. May God ease your pain Dear Linda. You we're the perfect loving wife to him.*

Zena Pursell - August 07, 2020 at 04:42 AM

LD

“ *You fought so hard for the last seven months. And many times I felt you were ready to let go, but maybe stayed for me. And I am so grateful for the time we had together. I don't know how to live without you, but I will try my best to make you proud of me. I will love you, honor you and miss you every day of my life.*

Linda denOuden - August 07, 2020 at 02:59 AM



“ Jim, you were always a good friend and neighbor. Always more than ready to give a lending hand wherever it was needed. You will be dearly missed by your many friends and neighbors. God bless you and your family. Your friends Leo and Annette.

Leo & Annette Lozano - August 07, 2020 at 12:54 AM



“ James denOuden

August 07, 2020 at 12:50 AM



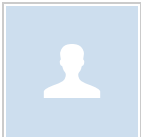
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“ It's a blessing that Jim and Linda found a great love together and shared that love with so many in so many ways. May Linda and family and friends draw strength from the testament of that love, which will help keep Jim's caring spirit alive.

Shannon Kaiser-Jewell - August 06, 2020 at 10:46 PM

LK

“ Jim, We never met, but I came to know you through Linda's words about you on social media. Never in my 68 years have I felt the love of a wife for her husband as I found in Linda's words. It was obviously mutual. May you rest in peace and joyfulness.

Laurie Kaftanic - August 06, 2020 at 10:45 PM

EY

“ James (Jim) denOuden much beloved husband and father. Though I did not know you well, I can only hope to be as admired as you are. Especially by your wife Linda. You will be missed and remembered most fondly.

Eric Yeisley - August 06, 2020 at 10:14 PM

PA

“ A good man has left us. Although we never pressed the flesh, you were as good a friend as I have had through the years. As I used to say, "I serve thee, M'Lord" and I will miss that. You are painless now but we are in pain for our loss. Tell the other PGA 2K players up there that MeechMaster said hi. My prayers go to your family and I hope it helps them through this time...

Paul Amici - August 06, 2020 at 09:46 PM

JC

“ I knew little Jimmy denOuden when I was best friends with his sister Lily. He was a funny and smart boy and always looking for something to do it seemed. He was never a bother, as younger brothers can sometimes be, he was just a polite easy going young boy and I know he grew up to be a fine man who will be missed by many. My condolences to his family, he will be missed terribly.

Joanne Christy - August 06, 2020 at 09:41 PM

RD

“ One of the most pure people We are honoured to call our friend. Always will be part of our family. Rest In Peace Jim. Love Rob and Nancy

Rob and Nancy Dusharm - August 06, 2020 at 09:41 PM

KW

“ I knew of Jim while being supervised by his wife Linda. We would hear amazing stories of Jim getting the house and the barbecue pit ready for the PhantomEFX parties. He would pop in from time to time and Linda would tell us that it was Jim saying hello while we were on line. He was a giving soul who always made sure that Linda and her daughter and granddaughter were taken care of. He had a smile and a joke ready for those weekends when we went to Vegas. I remember the video of Jim taking that leap off the Stratosphere Hotel...something that I would never do and he had a smile on his face! He will be missed but his spirit will live on with us. I know somewhere up in Heaven there is a pit coming to life a piece of meat seasoned just right is grilling!

Karen Williams - August 06, 2020 at 09:32 PM

DC

“ So sorry for your loss, Jim fought hard as I witnessed with my own eyes. God bless the family and Give Linda the strength to carry on without Jim.

Deborah Cochran - August 06, 2020 at 09:24 PM

PA

“ My condolences to Linda and all the rest of the family. Although I never met Jim in person I did meet him through Linda as well as my dad when we were doing phantom and you couldn't ask for any 2 nicer friends on earth. May God bless all of you and peace and Love to all ❤️❤️

Philip Allington - August 06, 2020 at 09:24 PM

BH

“ We may have never met, but you made Linda (Mom) happy! Keep watch over her and finally be at peace. You fought the good fight, and Odin will welcome you to the glorious halls of Valhalla with a flagon of Mead!

Beth and Zola Honey - August 06, 2020 at 09:10 PM

SH

“ May your hearts soon be filled with wonderful memories of joyful times together as you celebrate a life well lived. I like many only knew him through the mirror that is his wife. I feel blessed to have encountered even that. Blessings.

Sue Hall - August 06, 2020 at 09:06 PM

MH

“ I sure do miss you Jim. I can't look anywhere without thinking of all the fun times we had. Sure do wish you were here. I love you man. BTW help the Cowboys win the SB.

Matthew harrington - August 06, 2020 at 08:38 PM

LH

“ I am so thankful Jim came into our lives. He has been a great friend and "brother ". We will always remember him and what he brought to our life. We miss you and love you Jim

Lark Harrington - August 06, 2020 at 08:37 PM

RT

“ Jim, you will be sorely missed with your love of your work and patience to your patrons. May God grant you entrance to his heavenly kingdom.

Ron Tabat - August 06, 2020 at 08:35 PM

DL

“ There are no words. Now who will we send to the garage?! I love you Jim!

Darcy Liston - August 06, 2020 at 08:17 PM