



Mr. James (Jim) Lowden Milligan

May 27, 1935 - June 5, 2023

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of James (Jim) Lowden Milligan, who slipped away peacefully with his sons at his side.

Jim was born in Calgary, Alberta. He was raised at the Ghost Dam and in Edmonton. When he was 17 years old, he travelled across Canada to attend the University of New Brunswick. He was a varsity basketball player and earned his Bachelor of Science degree in 1957. After returning to Calgary, Jim embraced his career as a geologist and began to leave his mark in the oil and gas industry. Jim's work took him to four continents, including a stint in Mongolia. Regardless of where he was in the world, his passion remained with oil and gas rich Alberta.

Jim will be remembered for his quick wit and dry sense of humour. He had a hard shell but was truly "one big softy". Jim was kind, supportive, and generous. Whether it was a geologist fresh out of school, a family member, or friend in need, Jim was there 110%. He unfailingly gave more than he took—whether it be his time to others, or the last dollar in his pocket.

Jim served 54 consecutive years volunteering for the Calgary Stampede. Jim left his biggest mark on our community as a co-founder of the Calgary Bantam Football Association in 1964, bringing his enthusiasm for football to kids 12 to 15 years old. Jim loved sports, especially his beloved Edmonton Elks (Sorry

Dad!) and the Edmonton Oilers. He was the last of his foursome who tore up the Turner Valley Golf and Country Club every weekend for many years.

Jim is survived by his two sons, Blair Milligan (Jacquie), and Jim Milligan Jr. He was gifted with four grandchildren, James, Connor, Madison and Mackenzie, all of whom he spoiled rotten, loved dearly, and worried about constantly. They were his world. Jim also leaves behind twelve nieces and nephews- "Everyone loved Uncle Jim".

Go well Dad,

Rest in peace.

You've earned it.

Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River (Craig Snodgrass)
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Tribute Wall

JP

“ I just came across Jim’s obituary. I hadn’t heard much from the family since Marylynn’s passing. Jim was such a kind and generous person. I shall always keep Jim and his family in my heart.

Janne Potter - February 15 at 04:45 PM

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“ The world’s best Grandfather to Madison and Mackenzie Milligan. He will be forever in their hearts. And I respected this man in so very many ways. His sense of humor was one of a kind.

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“ Saddened to learn about the passing of Jim. I will miss seeing him at the Legion this Stampede. My wish is he is telling great stories with my dad (Bill Cunningham) somewhere. ❤️ Patti Walker

Patti Walker - July 08, 2023 at 05:30 PM

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“ Sad to hear of Jim's passing, many fond memories of a truly "one of a kind " friend, thinking of the family, rest Jim.

Keith & Judy Ferguson - June 21, 2023 at 06:06 PM



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