



## Mr. Jim Arthur Stevenson

June 14, 1948 - September 19, 2020

Mr. Jim Stevenson of the High River/Meadowbank area passed away peacefully at the High River Hospital on September 19, 2020 at the age of 72. Jim battled a rare kidney disease for over two years with strength, courage, determination and dignity.

Jim is survived by his loving wife Barbara of 53 years, his daughter Leah (Darren)—granddaughters Cassidy and Maggie and his son Tom (Sandra)—granddaughter Mackenzie. Jim is also survived by his brother in laws Gary Moncrieff (Shirley), George Moncrieff (Linda), and Bruce Thurber and their families. Jim's grandchildren were his special pride and joy! He was also very proud of his children and their spouses for their many accomplishments.

Jim is predeceased by his parents Art and Marie Stevenson and his sister Lois Thurber.

Jim was born in High River on June 14, 1948. After meeting Barb, living in Brant, Calgary and Didsbury, they finally settled SW of High River for over 40 years. Jim was full of life and will always be known for his sense of humour and loved to laugh and joke around. He was known to pull many a prank on friends and co-workers.

Jim spent many successful years in the car sales business. That is where he

met and visited with many area residents. Jim received multiple sales awards during his career--they even travelled to Niagara Falls to receive one award. Jim and Barb were able to take many memorable trips, most notably the trip to Bruce Peninsula for their 50th wedding anniversary. They also enjoyed many cruises, trips to Maui and going to Kimberley every fall.

After retirement Jim and Barb moved into High River and enjoyed the relaxation and meeting new friends. Jim didn't like to miss Wednesday morning coffee at the Legion or playing pool and visiting at the High River Club.

Jim's first love was his family but his second love was his animals. There were numerous four-legged friends that were lucky enough to call his place their home. He spent many years cattle penning and sorting but also enjoyed trail riding in the Kananaskis or just riding and enjoying the beautiful outdoors.

Jim lived life to the fullest and did not let the kidney disease define him. Everyday was a good day he would always say!! He did it his way!!

A private family graveside service was held.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Jim's name to the Kidney Foundation of Canada. Please visit [www.kidney.ca](http://www.kidney.ca).

Caring for the family is Lyle Reeves Funerals of High River (Craig Snodgrass) 403-652-4242.

# Cemetery Details

## Highwood Cemetery

High River, AB (CA)

# Events

Details are pending.

# Tribute Wall

DE

“ Dear Barb and family, so very sorry to hear about your great loss. I will always remember having fun chatting with Jim on the driveway. He had a great mischievous smile and a big heart.  
Deanna (Okotoks)

deanna - October 05, 2020 at 10:05 PM

BE

“ BJ & Christina Ersson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jim Arthur Stevenson



BJ & Christina Ersson - October 03, 2020 at 02:36 PM

JE

“ Deepest sympathies on the loss of Jim.

Ed & Jennifer Knaga

Jennifer - October 02, 2020 at 11:32 AM

RD

“ Dear Barb, Dawn and I are so saddened by the news of Jim's passing. Lots of memories of good times and good laughs. Our sincere condolences to you and the rest of your family.

Bob Dyck

ROBERT DYCK - October 01, 2020 at 10:06 PM

KW

“ Ken And Verena Wardley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jim Arthur Stevenson



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**Ken and Verena Wardley** - October 01, 2020 at 07:46 PM

BM

“ Dear Barb and family So sorry for your loss,, Jim was a friend and a character with a love of life,,, I know Don and I enjoyed visits with you both and I'm sure they will be visiting and perhaps tipping one together by now.. I have some idea what your going through and know it's not an easy transition but give it time ,,they say time fixes all things !!??

,keep your family close and your memories will help to carry you through

Sincere condolences

Betty Melvin

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**Betty Melvin** - October 01, 2020 at 02:38 PM

TB

“ Dear Barb and family.... we are/were very shocked and saddened, to hear of Jim's sudden passing. Neal and I have some very fond memories of Jim, during "Cattle Penning" days. We will always remember Jim's wonderful, beaming smile and his sparkling blue eyes... always brimming with laughter and fun. Jim was truly a "gentleman", whether on horseback or out and about, walking the neighborhood. Neal and I send our deepest condolences, to you and yours, during this very sad and trying time. May God embrace you and keep you safe. Respectfully Neal and Tammy Ballhorn

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**tammy ballhorn** - October 01, 2020 at 10:34 AM

FR

“ *Barb, Leah, Tom and family. My heartfelt condolences to all of you.*  
*Fran Randle*

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**Fran** - September 30, 2020 at 09:03 PM

SW

“ *We were shocked to learn of Jim's passing, over many years we shared a lot of laughs and fun moments. Our most sincere condolences to you Barb and Leah and Tommy. I can just see him right now sitting up there, and saying "what the hell is all the excitement about"?*

*Stan N' Elsie Woodcock.*

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**Stan William Woodcock** - September 27, 2020 at 06:36 PM

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*Judy and I were absolutely stunned by the news of Jim's passing. We both have very fond memories of being out at Auntie Marie and Uncle Art's farm when we were kids and on summer vacation.*

*I remember Jim driving me into town with him one day to pick up some farm supplies. On the way he offered me a cigarette and I told him I didn't smoke. Then after awhile, I pulled out my own pack and lit one up! We had a good laugh over that.*

*I recall another thing that happened during that same vacation. Jim decided it was time for me to learn how to drive. I think it was the farm truck that we took out into the fields that day. He then let me take over the wheel. We drove round and round until he had finally had enough and told me to drive through the gate and pull up behind Erwin's vehicle which was parked. I did pull up perfectly behind his vehicle but what I failed to do was put the brakes on and smashed right into Erwin's truck taking out one of his tail lights. There was also minor damage to the farm truck.*

*I just thank god it was a minor accident but Uncle Art's horns came out that night when Jim tried to explain to him what had happened. He was mad as hell and made Jim pay for the damages to both vehicles. We were able to laugh this one off a few years later!*

*Judy and I are so so sorry for your loss. Please know that our thoughts are with you through this difficult time Barb and if there is anything you need or can do for you, Leah or Tom please don't hesitate to ask. Judy and I both loved Jim immensely, especially for all the laughs he spread around. He made people happy.*

*Love and hugs from Judy and Norma*

*I'm sure he's up there looking down on us and laughing as he thinks about the next antic he's going to pull to get someone else in trouble!*

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**Norma Gordon and Judy Edwards (Cousins)** - September 28, 2020 at 05:44 PM



“ *Barb & Family, so sorry for your loss of Jim. We share in your sadness. I remember talking to Jim in February and he said to me, I have raised hell all my life and that’s the way I am going out! I said really Jim, well then we will be over to raise a little with you, but then this - - - Covid hit. I,m sure he’s raising a little up there. In the days to come we will fondly remember his teasing, laughter and smile. May your hearts always be reminded of his sense of humour and zest for life. Hugs Faye and Wayne Thurber.*

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**Faye Thurber** - September 27, 2020 at 04:28 PM

WB

“ *Jim was always a person of laughter and a smiling personality when I worked with him at our local ford dealership.We extend our deepest regret to Barb and her family on Jim"s passing.He made the world around him a better place .....Bill and Sandy Burgess.*

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**william burgess** - September 27, 2020 at 03:13 PM

CD

“ *Barb & Family, We are so sorry to hear of your loss. Jim was always a fun and happy person to us. We will be thinking of all of you at this time and sincerely send our condolences.*

*Carolyn and Orville*

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**Carolyn Dauncey** - September 27, 2020 at 09:44 AM

JS

“ Dear Barb & Family, So sorry to hear of Jim's passing. His quick wit, ready smile & those twinkling eyes will be missed by many. God bless you & your family.

Howard & Judy Snider

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**Judy Snider** - September 26, 2020 at 04:27 PM

AD

“ Barb and Family. Feeling so sad for all of you. Such a character gone from our midst. He always had a remark to bring a smile to ones face in his own teasing way. I know it made Bob`s day to have a game of Pool with him at the Club and he treasured that friendship. "Memories become your greatest treasure" RIP Jim

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**Arlayne Davies** - September 26, 2020 at 12:17 PM

GM

“ Barb and Family Sorry to hear of the passing of Jim. We had lots of fun cattle penning together over the years and working at Millers. Always good for a laugh. Gerry and Leslie



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**Gerry Malin** - September 26, 2020 at 11:30 AM

DD

“ *Barbara & Family*  
*We're so sorry to hear of Jim's passing. Condolences to you & your family at this sad time. Although we only knew Jim for a short time, we were glad to have met such a fine man.*



*Your Neighbors*  
*Dave & Carrie Derish*

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**Dave and Carrie Derish** - September 25, 2020 at 08:28 PM

JB

*Dear Barbara and family. Jim was a larger than life character that we are all going to miss. Susan and I are so glad that we had a chance to visit with you both during the past few years. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*  
*Jim and Susan Banister*

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**Jim Banister** - September 26, 2020 at 02:37 PM

JB

*Dear Barb and family, My fondest memories of Jim are from our family reunions Our family is just so sad od the news of Jim's passing Love Jan Gossett Bradshaw Love from Gord and Diane and all the Gossett family*

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**Jan Bradshaw** - September 27, 2020 at 05:01 PM

SF

“ *My sincere condolences to the Stevenson family; I'm sorry for your loss.*

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**Sharon Forbes** - September 25, 2020 at 04:26 PM

JC

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you Barb and family. Jim was a special person who could easily lift your spirits with fun, teasing and kind mannerisms. He will be missed by all that had the pleasure of knowing him.. Hugs, Brad and Judy

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**Judy Culp** - September 25, 2020 at 03:09 PM

DT

“ Don And Selma Thurber lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jim Arthur Stevenson



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**Don and Selma Thurber** - September 25, 2020 at 01:21 PM

RK

“ His smile and happy nature made the world a better place  
Our condolences  
Bob & Carolyn Kuziw

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**Robert Kuziw** - September 25, 2020 at 01:03 PM

PZ

“ Barb, Leah and Tom and family our deepest sympathy on Jim's passing. Jim always had that great smile and was a master at selling vehicles and was always a pleasure to work with. Cherish all the great memories we are sure you have, they will help you through the tough days ahead.  
Sincerely Len and Pat Zebedee

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**Pat Zebedee** - September 25, 2020 at 12:11 AM

GC

“ *Barb and Family,*  
*We were saddened to hear of Jim's passing. He was a wonderful pleasant man and well respected by all.*  
*Keep the fond memories of Jim and your time together close to your hearts.*  
*God Bless all of you and take care of yourselves.*  
*RIP Jim.*  
*Gerry and Barb*

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**Gerry and Barb Coakwell** - September 24, 2020 at 11:20 PM

DT

“ *Donna Tanner lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jim Arthur Stevenson*



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**donna tanner** - September 24, 2020 at 09:25 PM

KC

“ *So sorry to hear of Jim's passing... Our condolences to Barb and family.*

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**Ken and Joan Christensen** - September 24, 2020 at 09:10 PM

AM

“ *Although I did not know Jim long, I know his kind gentle spirit will live on and continue to grace us through eternity... Sincere condolences Barb and family.*



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**Angela Menjivar** - September 24, 2020 at 02:13 PM



“ *Linda Swanston lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jim Arthur Stevenson*



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**Linda Swanston** - September 24, 2020 at 01:54 PM

ES

“ *Eunice Schmuland lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jim Arthur Stevenson*



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**Eunice Schmuland** - September 24, 2020 at 01:09 PM

ES

*Barb - thinking of you all at this difficult time - hold tight to your memories as they will help you through!*

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**Eunice Schmuland** - September 24, 2020 at 01:11 PM

RH

“ *Jim was the cowboy with the biggest laugh and, more importantly, the biggest heart. He always made me feel part of his family and reminded me how good being happy felt, regardless of what was going on. Thank you for making me smile and making my family always feel loved and welcome. You will be truly missed. Hugs forever, Robin Chris and Rowdy.*

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**Robin Hurry** - September 24, 2020 at 01:02 PM

BE

“ We are supposed to leave the world a better place, Jim certainly did that! So sorry to hear of his passing.

Brian Erickson - September 24, 2020 at 01:05 AM

RH

“ My deepest condolences to Barb and the family, I had the pleasure of Jimmy becoming a very close friend to me over the past years. He was a true gentleman who will miss dearly.

Rob Henderson - September 23, 2020 at 07:52 PM

ME

“ MURRAY ELLIOTT lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jim Arthur Stevenson



MURRAY ELLIOTT - September 23, 2020 at 05:08 PM

ME

our sincerest condolences to Barb and family!

MURRAY ELLIOTT - September 23, 2020 at 05:09 PM

GG

“ Barb, Leah and Tom,  
We are shocked to hear of Jim's passing. Fond memories of his smile and will never forget that laugh. We didn't see him often, but always had a good visit when we did. Our thoughts are with you at this difficult time.  
Jim & Geraldine (Egeland) German



Geraldine German - September 23, 2020 at 12:09 PM

BG

“ *Barb & Family*  
*We are saddened by the passing of Jim, we have been roof mates ever since their move from Okotoks, Jim couldn't have been more friendly or helpful. We will miss him.*  
*Blair & Karen Giem*

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**Blair Giem** - September 22, 2020 at 10:20 PM

JG

“ *Our deepest sympathy to the Jim Stevenson family !*



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**Judy Groeneveld** - September 22, 2020 at 09:49 PM

CR

“ *Dear Barb and family, We are sorry to hear of Jim's passing. He was a very pleasant person to talk with. He will be missed. Dave and Carole Rudy*

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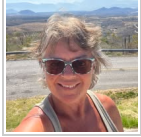
**Carole Rudy** - September 22, 2020 at 09:24 PM

RS

“ *Barb and family sorry to hear of Jim's passing. From the school days, curling, vehicle purchases and the HR men's club always fun and laughter involved. Fond memories,*  
*RIP*  
*Ray Seney*

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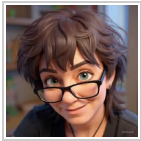
**Ray Seney** - September 22, 2020 at 07:45 PM



“ Dear Barb, Leah, Tom and families. We are so very sorry to hear of Jim's passing. Sending you all much love and comfort in your memories of your husband, father, and grandfather. xxxooooo Becky & Gary



Becky Young - September 22, 2020 at 05:23 PM



“ Dang it Jim!!!  
I'm going to miss you.  
Rest Well. xoxo.  
Dee (your barber)



Dee Leigh - September 22, 2020 at 04:24 PM

LB

“ With our sympathy Barb and family. Jim's sense of humour will always be remembered. We did not see you often but have fond memories of the times we did.

Lorne and Bonnie - September 22, 2020 at 11:02 AM

CM

“ Charlene Malmberg lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jim Arthur Stevenson



Charlene Malmberg - September 22, 2020 at 10:25 AM

BL

“ *Barb and family -we are so sorry to hear of Jim's passing. He was so full of life and fun -always ready for a laugh. Hope your many good memories help you thru this tough times*

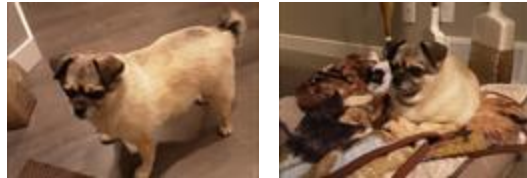
*Eldon and Barb Lyall*

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**Barbara Lyall** - September 22, 2020 at 09:28 AM

BL

“ *To Barb and Family..Sorry to hear of Jims passing. With this note we convey our Deepest Sympathy.....Blaine, Pauline & Toffie*



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**Blaine&Pauline&Toffie** - September 21, 2020 at 11:48 PM

SC

“ *Barb and family so sorry to hear of Jim's passing. I'll always remember that great smile and the twinkle in his eyes when he pulled off the ultimate prank while working with him! He definitely had a great zest for life! May your fond memories help you through the difficult days ahead.*

*Shannon Cowling*

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**Shannon Cowling** - September 21, 2020 at 11:46 PM

CP

“ *Barb & family. We are so sorry about the passing of Jim. We enjoyed our visits. Please accept our deepest sympathy..*

*Gord and Carol Peter*

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**Carol Peter** - September 21, 2020 at 10:20 PM

JH

“ *Dear Barb, Leah and Tom, we are so saddened to hear of Jim's passing. So many happy memories , shared a lot of laughs and visits. Lots of pranking and joking around working with him over the years, that will not be forgotten. Our thoughts are with you in this difficult time. Jerry Howe and Family*

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**Jerry Howe** - September 21, 2020 at 10:18 PM

DM

“ *Dear Barb and family, So sorry to hear of Jim's passing. Please accept our deepest sympathy. Don and Joanne*

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**Don and Joanne McCuaig** - September 21, 2020 at 10:08 PM

LW

“ *Linda Walsh lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jim Arthur Stevenson*



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**Linda Walsh** - September 21, 2020 at 09:38 PM

GB

*I only knew Jim of your family & will always remember him coaching the 'Greenhorns' in the early days of women's slow pitch ball in High River & under his patient guidance, our team won the trophy that first year. I am sorry to know of Jim's passing and extend my sympathy to all of his family. Glenda Bateman*

**glenda Bateman** - September 22, 2020 at 01:19 AM

TR

“ *Jim full of joy and sense of humour with BIG smile always with laughs You will be miss ❤️*



**Tillie Ring** - September 21, 2020 at 09:23 PM

KH

“ *Dear Barb, Tom and I were so sorry to hear of Jim's passing. He was such a gentleman but also funny and a big tease. We were so lucky to get to know him and spend good times with both of you. We will always remember the freezing cold Christmas when we all trooped out to the barn to see the cozy and warm houses you and Jim had made for your barn cats. Heated beds no less. You have a wonderful family Barb so take comfort in their love.*

*Tom and Karen*

**Karen and Tom Hurry** - September 21, 2020 at 09:07 PM

NP

“ *Oh Barb I'm so sorry to hear of Jim's passing. I had planned to call last week and somehow time got away. He was a special man and we all remember his smile and joking when floor curling in Okotoks. He certainly enjoyed teasing any and everyone.*  
*Nancy Peterson*

**NANCY PETERSON** - September 21, 2020 at 08:09 PM

DG

“ *Donna M. Green lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jim Arthur Stevenson*



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**Donna M. Green** - September 21, 2020 at 08:05 PM

SJ

“ *To Barb and the family - so saddened to hear of Jim's passing. Please know that I am sending much love and many hugs to you. The world has lost such a good man. Jim was the most respectful and honest salesman that I ever bought a car from! RIP, Jim....from Sharon (Laycraft) Johnson*

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**Sharon Johnson** - September 21, 2020 at 08:01 PM

BL

“ *♥️ To the family of the fun, good hearted, wonderful man Jim. Bill and I will forever cherish the beautiful wagon in our front yard from your home in Cayley and always think of you Barb and Jim and the laughs we had with you guys that day. We are going to get a special sign made (Jim Arthur Stevenson ) to hang on it In memory of him. Thinking of you all♥️ Our sincere sympathy*

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**Bill and Gail Lee** - September 21, 2020 at 07:34 PM

VC

“ *Our deepest sympathy Barb and family*



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**Vern and Lynda Coate** - September 21, 2020 at 07:21 PM

GS

“ *Barb and family. Our most sincere condolences. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Gayle and Fred Schutte*

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**Gayle and Fred Schutte** - September 21, 2020 at 07:14 PM

 Terina  
Thurber  
Cybulski

“ *Thinking of all of you at this sad time, hoping the memories get you through. I was remembering all the pranks Uncle Jim pulled, making us laugh. He will be dearly missed, with his big smile and gigantic laugh.*

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**Terina Thurber Cybulski** - September 21, 2020 at 07:07 PM

BC

*Will miss your hearty chuckle. Always smiling. Rest. Brian & Jo-Anne Chipchase*

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**Brian & Jo-Anne Chipchase** - September 24, 2020 at 09:12 AM

SM

“ *Our most sincere condolences Barb & Family. How I'll miss Jim's teasing but the smile and twinkle in his eye as he did it will remain in our hearts.*

*Ken & Sherrie Maerz*

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**Sherrie Maerz** - September 21, 2020 at 07:01 PM

DM

“ Don Malmberg lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jim Arthur Stevenson



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**Don Malmberg** - September 21, 2020 at 06:53 PM

AZ

“ Leah, Barb, Tom, Terina, Wade, Bruce and family I am thinking of you at this time of loss. Jim always had a warm welcome and a smile to share. Always enjoyed seeing him and Barb around the Thurber and Cybulski tables. Peace be him and with all of you.

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**Ann Holmes Zirk** - September 21, 2020 at 06:19 PM

DD

“ Our condolences to Barb and family Duane and Lois Duncan

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**Duane Duncan** - September 21, 2020 at 05:47 PM

HM

“ Dear Barb and family: we are saddened today to hear of Jim's passing. We drove by your old place west of High River last week and remembered the penning days Hugh had with you. We have the picture from 2000 when Hugh and Jim and you won the class 5 team buckle together. Those were good days. Our most sincere condolences.  
Hugh and Susan McPherson

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**Hugh and Susan McPherson** - September 21, 2020 at 11:00 AM

CJ

“ *My heart is so saddened to hear of Jim's death. I have such good memories throughout the years of him, his laugh and his teasing. My thoughts are warmly with you Barb, Leah and Tom. Blessings to you all.*

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**Connie L. Jewell** - September 21, 2020 at 10:52 AM

KC

“ *Dear Barb and family. My condolences to you at this very sad time. Karen Crawford*



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**karen crawford** - September 21, 2020 at 10:30 AM

CM

“ *Barb, Leah, Tom and Families We are truly sorry for your loss. Jim will always be remembered for his humour and sincere love for his family. There was no other, that could share a good joke or phrase with a sraight face. Jim (Barb) were always so good to dad and mom I will always be grateful for that. May you find some comfort in your memories as you move forward through this difficult time.*

*Cindy & Doug McDonald and family  
Aunt Lillian Bondy*

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**Cindy McDonald** - September 21, 2020 at 10:26 AM

SM

“ *Sheila Macklin lit a candle in memory of Mr. Jim Arthur Stevenson*



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**Sheila Macklin** - September 21, 2020 at 09:41 AM

RL

“ *We are so sorry to hear of Jimmy's passing. Sure loved his sense of humor and his never ending positive attitude in life and he will be missed by many people. Our condolences to Barb, Leah, Tom and families. Keith and Rhonda Longson and family*

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**Rhonda Longson** - September 21, 2020 at 08:55 AM

BM

“ *My deepest condolences to Barb & all of your family. Jim was a character for sure, with that great smile & laugh to go along with it, & his joking sense of humor, he was an Ace, for sure. All the very best to everyone, Bert Montgomery*

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**Bert Montgomery** - September 21, 2020 at 08:14 AM

JS

“ *Shocked to hear of Jims passing. Our condolences to Barb and family. May many happy memories keep him close. Jack and Jacki Stevenson Oakbank MB*

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**Jack Stevenson** - September 20, 2020 at 06:24 PM

CS

“ A little shocked to hear about passing. One memory was when Jim and a buddy came to Sask to see Uncle Orman, & Aunt Peggy, Jim had to much to drink one night and ended up throwing up in his cowboy boot. oops.

*Thinking of Barb & family.*

*Cliff & Teresa Stevenson*

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**Cliff Stevenson** - September 20, 2020 at 04:08 PM