



James (Jim) Thomas O'Reilly

April 13, 2021

James (Jim) Thomas O'Reilly passed away at Our Lady of Wisdom on Tuesday April 13, 2021 at the age of 86. Jim was born on August 4, 1934 in Rochester, NY to James P. O'Reilly (Coraopolis, PA) & Ruth Thompson O'Reilly (Bradford, PA). He was a longtime resident of Gretna, LA, but called many places home including: Pittsburgh, PA; Virginia Beach, VA; Pasadena, TX; Mobile, AL & Metairie, LA. Jim was a self-described "Rebel" as evident by the tattoo on his arm – enlivened by beautiful cars, Marlboro Reds & nickel slot payouts. He was also a husband, father & grandfather who demonstrated love by unannounced visits, sharing never-ending stories & engaging in video game melees with his grandson, Rhett. He was a 40-year employee of Avondale Shipyards, but he always found to play – sometimes too much time. He was infinitely passionate for his daily routine, his close friends, Alaska, black coffee & the beach. He went by Jim, but he was also "Daddy" & "Poobah" to the people who loved him. He is survived by his daughters, Robin Rogers and Tanya O'Reilly; his son-in-law, James Leslie Rogers, Jr.; and his grandchildren, Ryan Rogers-Prestridge (Drew Rogers-Prestridge), Rachel Rogers and Rhett Rogers (Tanna Boudreux). His family would like to thank Our Lady of Wisdom Staff & Notre Dame Hospice for taking excellent care in his final hours.

An upcoming private Graveside Memorial Service will be held at a later date. Arrangements by D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 1020 Virgil St., Gretna, LA 70056. Please visit www.rhodesfuneral.com to sign the online guestbook.

Tribute Wall



“ So sorry to hear about Uncle Jimmy. I haven't seen him in many years, but mom and dad said he visited them about two or three years ago and talked about old times. They had a nice visit. Again, we are so sorry for your loss. Love Lisa, Aunt Gail and Uncle Melvin.

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