



James Francis Manning

August 8, 1938 - June 25, 2016

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Mr. James Francis “Jim” Manning, 77, of Bartlesville, died at 11:26 A.M. on Saturday, June 25, 2016 at his home following a lengthy illness.

Wake services for Jim will be held at 7 P.M. on Thursday, June 30, at the Stumpff Funeral Home Chapel, Bartlesville, with Deacon Jerry Rutherford officiating. The funeral mass will be held at 11 A.M. on Friday, July 1, 2016 at St. James Catholic Church, Bartlesville, with Father Chris Daigle officiating. Following cremation, interment will be at a later date in the Immaculate Conception Cemetery in Oklahoma City.

Jim was born in Oklahoma City on August 8, 1938 to Maurus James Manning and Geraldine Patricia (Richstatter) Gann. He grew up and received his education in Oklahoma City, graduating from Mount Saint Mary’s High School in 1956. He entered the Air Force in June 1956 and worked in radar maintenance with duty stations primarily in California. Following his Honorable Discharge in March 1960, he returned to Oklahoma City. He married Marta Kathryn Wolf on December 28, 1963 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Oklahoma City. After graduating with a B.S. in Mathematics from Central State College in Edmond, Jim and Marta moved to Bartlesville where he began his career as a computer programmer at Phillips Petroleum Company in 1965.

Following his retirement from Phillips in May of 1992, he began contract programming at various locations around the United States. He worked the last ten years of his contract career at Tinker Air Force Base in Midwest City until his second retirement in June of 2013.

Jim and Marta were members of St. James Catholic Church from its inception in August of 1965. Jim was active in the community of St. James. He was the director of the Diocesan Development Fund for many years, a Eucharistic minister, an original member of the Mardi Gras committee and a member of the Knights of Columbus.

He supported his children’s sporting endeavors, coaching every child in at least one season of their athletic careers. He also loved spending time with family and extended family, especially at the yearly polka gathering at Czech Hall in Yukon. Jim was an avid singer. During his years in the Air Force he was a member of a singing group called the Highlanders, and while employed at Phillips Petroleum he was a member of the Philtones.

His passion for singing continued with karaoke. He was also a movie buff and enjoyed playing poker. Above all, Jim was a loving husband, father, and grandfather.

Jim is survived by his wife, Marta Manning, six children, James Martin “Jimmy” Manning and wife Brandy of Coahoma, TX, Robert Francis “Rob” Manning and wife, Tonya of Overland Park, KS, Andrew Michael “Andy” Manning and wife Courtney of Oklahoma City, Johanna Kathryn “Jo” McCarthy and husband Tom of Lee’s Summit, MO, John Adam “Jacky” Manning and Karen Peterson of Bartlesville and Daniel Joseph “Danny” Manning and wife Jaylie of Frisco, TX, four brothers and sisters, Patrick L. Manning and wife Jeanette of Oklahoma City, Louann Everett of Shawnee, Linda Bryant and husband Steve of Tecumseh and John Gann and wife Roberta of Yukon and nine grandchildren, Joseph, Kathryn, Taylor, and Sarah Manning; Roan, Calum, Sullivan, and Benen McCarthy; and Samuel Manning, one brother-in-law, Tom Braden of North Carolina, three sister-in-laws, Carol Manning of Oklahoma City, Linda Manning of Norman and Mary Ann Pryor and her husband Jerry of Oklahoma City. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Jim was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, Larry Manning and Mike Manning and a sister, Doris Braden.

Memorial donations may be made to the Kiddie Park, c/o Bartlesville Playground Association, P.O. Box 405, Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74003, the Boys & Girls Club of Bartlesville, 401 S. Seminole, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, 74003, or a charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Immaculate Conception Cemetery

Oklahoma City, OK

Previous Events

Mass

JUL 1. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
5510 S.E. Douglas Lane
Bartlesville, OK 74006

Tribute Wall



“ *James Francis Manning*

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ *James Francis Manning*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *I worked with Jim at PPCo and we played a lot of golf and some poker. He was a hoot to be around and we never believed his stories about his athletic prowess and foot speed until each of his kids turned out to be great athletes. His nickname was 'Gunner' and I can share that story with the boys but not here. He was the last of the CICS programmers and he had a nice second career. My sincere condolences to Marta and her fine family. Regards, Gary Reheis*

GARY REHEIS - June 30, 2016 at 04:28 PM



“ *Jim was "family of family", but he and Marta made us feel like we were a part of their family anyway. We enjoyed getting to know him and will miss his influence and friendship. Sending love and prayers to all of the Manning family.*

Tresa Euper - June 30, 2016 at 12:48 PM



“ *Mr. Manning was a wonderful influence on a young naive kid from Okmulgee. I was a roommate of Jimmy's and was invited to attend the OU / UCLA game and declined because I didn't have a ticket. Neither do we but watch my Dad was Jimmy's response.*

I went and because a fast student of Mr. Manning buying and reselling tickets. I got in to watch the game and had \$80 more in my pocket than when I arrived.

He made everything he did fun, the people around him feel special and me feel I was a part of the Manning family.

I'm sorry for your loss but we all know he's in a much better place singing up a storm and probably talking to St Peter about scalping tickets! Much love and many hugs!!

Pete Blanchard - June 30, 2016 at 09:56 AM



“ *Such a great man, responsible for such an amazing group of crazy Mannings. The Hunzikers are all thinking and praying for all of you this week. Ash*

Ashley Hunziker - June 30, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *I would love to come, but the holiday weekend drove airline prices beyond my reach. The Tener girls will be loving on you all this weekend as you say goodbye to a wonderful, loving man who touched all of our lives. Please know we love you all.*

Jeana Caywood - June 29, 2016 at 06:12 PM



“ *Too many memories to recall here. Love you all so much. Growing up, breakfast at the Kettle, soccer, dancing, and so much more. We love you all like family and our hearts hurt with you. Thanks for sharing so much happiness with us! We will always remember Jim fondly.*

Maria Gus - June 29, 2016 at 04:11 PM



“ *Marta, So sorry to learn of your husband's death. Prayers for comfort and good memories.*
Donna Kay Fenstermaker

Donna Kay Fenstermaker - June 29, 2016 at 03:29 PM



“ *A great father and good friend you will be missed by all who you associated with and loved. Cliff Sousa*

Cliff Sousa - June 29, 2016 at 02:24 PM