



James Brady

March 21, 1933 - February 18, 2022

James Brady, 88, of Estero, FL passed away peacefully on February 18, 2022 after two years of medical issues. Born and raised in Upstate New York, he was the son of the late James and Jane Brady.

Jim attended St. John Fisher College and received a law degree from New England School of Law. He worked for both the Massachusetts Defenders as Senior Trial Counsel and on his own for many years as a trial lawyer. After retiring he and his wife, Carol, relocated to Estero, FL.

Jim was a devout Catholic who was devoted to his family and had a big heart; over the years he helped many friends and strangers alike. He was a proud patriot and veteran of the Korean War, serving in the US Army.

As a Renaissance man who ran the Boston Marathon multiple times, Jim had a wonderful vitality, intensity and curiosity about life; he loved cooking, along with making and sharing his delicious homemade wine; and proudly got his private pilot's license at 70 years old. He also loved to travel, swim, ski, sail; and play chess, bridge, poker, golf, tennis, and the piano. He could dance a mean jitterbug.

Surviving family members include his loving wife, Carol Brady, and daughter, Barbara Brady; niece, Jo-Anne Sullivan; nephews, Thomas (Patrice) Real,

Joseph (Donna) Coleman, and many friends.

A Mass of Christian Burial will take place on Wednesday, March 9, 2022 at 10:30 AM at Our Lady of Light Catholic Community, 19680 Cypress View Drive, Fort Myers, FL 33967. Burial will take place on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 11:30 am in Sarasota National Cemetery.

In lieu of giving flowers, please feel free to donate to either Catholic Relief Services (<https://www.crs.org/>) or St. Matthew's House (<https://www.stmatthewshouse.org/donate>).

To sign Jim's guest register or leave online condolences, please visit www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home, Family Owned and Operated since 1978.

Cemetery Details

Sarasota National Cemetery

9810 State Road 72
Sarasota, FL 34241

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 9. 10:30 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Light Catholic Community
19680 Cypress View Dr
Fort Myers, FL 33967-6201
(239) 267-7088

Burial

MAR 10. 11:30 AM (ET)

Sarasota National Cemetery
9810 State Road 72
Sarasota, FL 34241
<http://www.cem.va.gov/>

Tribute Wall



“ *James Brady*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Dear Carol and Barbara,
We are deeply saddened to learn of Jim's passing. Please accept our deepest and heartfelt condolences and know that you and your family are in our thoughts. Jim was such a welcoming and friendly neighbor for so many years, we will miss him greatly. Sincerely,
Wayne and Doris
Framingham, MA*

Wayne Lam - March 01, 2022 at 11:15 AM



“ *I started as a bar advocate/private public defender in the Framingham Court in 1989. Jim was a well-respected attorney who graciously shared his expertise with the younger lawyers like myself. He was vigorous in his defense of his clients; he had a great intellect and sense of humor. In addition to law, we liked to talk about tennis, wine and running. In the years before he moved to FL full-time, I sometimes saw him walking the track at Bowditch which was a treat. He will be missed. My condolences to you all.*

*Donna Paruti
Framingham, MA*

Donna Paruti - February 27, 2022 at 09:49 AM

EF

“ Carol and Barbara,
Please accept my sincere condolences on the loss of your husband and dad. I was so sorry to hear of his passing. I will never forget those hilarious Christmas ties.
My thoughts are with you.
Eileen Fox

Eileen Fox - February 26, 2022 at 08:15 PM

BC

“ Sorry to hear this news. Jim was a nice man. When I was a law student and was hitchhiking to Boston he picked me up in his Saab which was a strange car at the time. He was a public defender at the time. Later when I was a lawyer practicing in Framingham we became friends. I was able to secure a number for Jim one year so he could run the Boston marathon as an official runner. Keep running Jim.

Bill Carroll - February 26, 2022 at 11:30 AM

CB

“ Jim was the Mayor of Doyle Circle! He was a friend to all and like a Grand Father to my children. We all loved him and have missed him since he and Carol moved to Florida. He was one of a kind and will be missed by all that knew him. I hope he is already running a marathon up in Heaven!

Colleen Biron - February 24, 2022 at 11:10 AM

CM

“ I will always remember Jim for his energy and positive disposition.
Carol and Barbara, I am sorry for your loss.

Carolyn Madden - February 21, 2022 at 01:47 PM

JS

“ *Mr. Jim Brady you will be so missed by so many!! Prayers for Carol and Barbara and family!*



Jean Seay - February 21, 2022 at 12:15 PM



Carol and Barbara, was so sorry to hear of his passing. I am Dot & George's daughter Linda. I used to babysit for Barbara across the street from my parents, & Barbara babysat for my daughter Heidi. My parents always enjoyed your company, & you were always so nice to me. I wish you both well.

Linda Demeo - March 10, 2022 at 09:39 AM