



James Louis Dandurand

August 26, 1934 - July 4, 2015

On Saturday, July 4, 2015 James L. Dandurand a dear husband, father, grandfather and friend died at Joanne's House after a brave and courageous battle with Parkinson's Disease. He was born on August 26, 1934 to Mary and Louis Dandurand in Chicago Heights, IL. On September 27, 1958 he married Prudence G. Potter of Spokane, WA. He was preceded in death by both of his parents.

Survivors include his loving wife, Prudence; two daughters, Lisa (Richard) Setian of Williamsburg, VA and Jill (Dave) Pelham of Cary, NC; two sons, Jeffrey (Curran) Westlake, TX and John (Anita) of Surprise, AZ; nine loving grandchildren; Andrew and Cameron Setian, Kevin and John David Pelham, Dillon and Taryn Dandurand, Kristina, Justin and Cody Dandurand.

After graduating from Bloon High School, Jim attended the University of Illinois and graduated with a bachelor's degree in business. He was also a graduate of the Wisconsin School of Banking and Harvard School of Banking. James was a Veteran of the United States Army.

Jim began a long banking career in Gary, IN as a trainee in management for Gary Trust and Savings Bank in 1959. He remained working for the bank his entire professional career later advancing to President and CEO in 1969. The last 8 years of his career the bank was acquired by Bank One of Columbus Ohio and eventually JP Morgan Chase.

Among his many honors of which he was always very humbled, he was named "Sagamore of the Wabash" by the governor of Indiana. Citizen of the

Yea (Gary, IN), Steel City Hall of Fame, Shamrock Award, Sons of Erin Society, Citizen of the year Boy Scouts of America. He served as President of the American Heart Association in Lake County, IN, President of Catholic Charities, founding member of the Legacy Foundation in Lake County, Advisory Board of Indiana U. NW, Advisory Board of Purdue University Calumet, Legacy Foundation of Calumet area. Always a willing and dedicated volunteer, he volunteered at the Café of Life in Bonita Springs, FL and the St. Vincent DePaul Thrift Shop and “Making Room for more” at St. Leo’s Church. He was a past member of the Chicago Charter of YPO, Innisbrook Country Club in Merrillville, IN, Sand Creek Country Club in Chesterton, IN and currently a member of Bonita Bay Country Club in Bonita Springs, FL. Jim loved his family, friends, the warm sunshine of South Florida and especially his ice cream.

The family would especially like to thank the loving and caring employees of the Renaissance at the Terraces and the care he received his last few days at Joanne’s House at Hope Hospice.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Catholic Charities of Northwest Indiana, Lake County Community Foundation, 1000 E. 80th Place, Suite 402N, Merrillville, IN or to Joanne’s House at Hope Hospice, 27200 Imperial Parkway, Bonita Springs, FL 34135 in loving memory of James L. Dandurand.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 11:30 AM, Saturday, July 11, 2015 at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church with Monsignor Joseph Semancik of Whiting, IN as the officiant, 28290 Beaumont Rd., Bonita Springs, FL. Family will receive friends from 9-11 AM prior to the service at Shikany’s Bonita Funeral Home, 28300 Tamiami Trail S., Bonita Springs, FL.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 11. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home
28300 Tamiami Trail So.
Bonita Springs, FL 34134
(239) 992-4982
bonitafhbill@comcast.net

Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 11. 11:30 AM (ET)

St. Leo the Great Catholic Church
28290 Beaumont Road
Bonita Springs, FL 34134

Tribute Wall



“ *James Louis Dandurand*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Jack and I shared many happy times with you long ago. Blessings to you and your family.*
Peggy McGuckin

Peggy McGuckin - July 11, 2015 at 01:56 PM



“ *Mrs. Dandurand & Family,*

We mourn with you at the passing of your loved one, (JLD) as we fondly referred to him. Through the years we have come to realize our time at Bank One, under his leadership was very special.

Lovingly,

Nadine McDowell

Nadine McDowell - July 10, 2015 at 07:15 PM

FI

“ Dear Prudy and Family, Jim was always so kind and giving as I was always asking him to fund some project which I was heading up at the time. I remember he was instrumental in bank sponsorship when I started the Lake Country Abuse Prevention Council which is still a source of strength for all children in Lake County. He showed a constant concern for the welfare of others and was a fine example of a great Catholic man who lived his religion. My sympathy to you all. Loyally, Fay Iorio, Crown Point, Indiana

Fay Iorio - July 09, 2015 at 10:46 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of James Louis Dandurand.



July 09, 2015 at 06:14 PM

VG

“ Prudy ,
Sending you my deepest sympathy. Jim was a wonderful man and I enjoyed the time I spent with him in Florida. I know he loved Bonita Bay and the Florida weather. My love and prayers are with you. God Bless you and your family and may he give you strength. Wish I could attend the service. My sympathies to your children and grandchildren .
Love
Vicki Gabrielson

Vicki Gabrielson - July 09, 2015 at 05:00 PM

SF

“ Sharon Lissey Lill and the Lill and Lissey family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of James Louis Dandurand.



Sharon Lissey Lill and the Lill and Lissey family - July 09, 2015 at 03:04 PM



“ Mrs Dandurand and Family,
So sorry for your loss, Our prayers and thoughts are with you.
I worked with Jim at Bank One/Bank of Indiana for many years and had
great respect for him. We will include you and him in our prayers.
Mike & Cheryl McIntyre and Family

Michael McIntyre - July 09, 2015 at 02:01 PM

GS

“ Prudy:

I am so sorry to hear of Jim's passing--I always enjoyed my time spent with him. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.

George Schneider

George Schneider - July 09, 2015 at 11:16 AM

TD

“ Jim was such a great guy, loved by all. Our thoughts and prayers are with you, Prudy, and your family.

Tim & Marianne Durbin - July 09, 2015 at 10:11 AM

JF

“ *Joan Scully & family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of James Louis Dandurand.*



Joan Scully & family - July 09, 2015 at 09:58 AM

AG

“ *Prudy and family, sending our sincerest condolences to you. Please know that Jim will be remembered in our prayers. Love, Anne & Andy Grutkowski*

Anne Grutkowski - July 09, 2015 at 08:35 AM

MH

“ *Mrs. Dandurand, I am deeply sorry to read of the death of your husband. Kindly accept my sincere condolences. Mr. Dandurand has left a fine legacy. As you remember may it bring you solace. Losing a loved one is never easy to deal with. Our Heavenly Father gives us the needed strength to cope. 1 Peter 5:6,7 assures us that HE cares for each one of us. May you experience HIS loving care as you move through this time of bereavement.*

Minnie Hemphill - July 09, 2015 at 07:10 AM

BP

“ *Bruce and Edith Pelham purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Louis Dandurand.*



Bruce and Edith Pelham - July 08, 2015 at 04:45 PM