



James "Jim" A. Plesh

November 1, 1936 - April 11, 2025

James "Jim" Plesh, originally of Ambridge, Pennsylvania, passed away peacefully surrounded by loved ones.

Jim was preceded in death by his beloved parents, John and Frances Plesh; his devoted wife of 62 years, Joan; his dear son, Kirk; and his siblings: John (and his wife Pat), Lewis, Anne (and her husband Steve Locke), and Marge (and her husband Bill Barlek). His sister-in-law Betty survives him.

A talented and accomplished artist, Jim enjoyed a successful career in the art and design industry. His creativity and passion left a lasting impression on the many people he worked with and inspired over the years.

Jim raised his family in Medfield, Massachusetts, where he built a warm and loving home. He and Joan spent over 20 years in Bonita Springs, Florida, where they embraced retirement, sunshine, and a vibrant community of friends.

He was an avid bocce player and a true competitor on the court, forming many lasting friendships over the years. He leaves behind many cherished friends, many of whom cared deeply for him and supported him in his final days.

Above all, Jim's greatest pride was his family. He leaves behind his children: Gregg, Scott, Dawn (and her husband Mark), and Doug (and his wife Mari). He was a proud grandfather, lovingly known as "Jimpa", to eleven grandchildren—Nicole, Michael, Kortni, James, Cody, Sarah, Abigale, Scott, Lucas, Drew, and Christian—and a cherished great-grandfather to Rita, Anthony, Logan, Zoey, Samuel, Lucas, Emma and Charlotte (Born on April 12, 2025)

Jim will be remembered for his generosity, sense of humor, warmth, and the love he gave so freely to those around him.

A wake will be held on Tuesday, April 15th, from 1:00 – 3:00 PM at Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home, 28300 S Tamiami Trail, Bonita Springs, FL 34134. A funeral mass will follow on Wednesday, April 16th, at 2:30 PM at Saint Leo the Great Catholic Church, 28300 Beaumont Rd, Bonita Springs, FL 34134.

To sign his guest register or to leave online condolences please visit www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **15**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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

Funeral Mass

APR **16**. 2:30 PM (ET)

St. Leo the Great Catholic Church
28300 Beaumont Road
Bonita Springs, FL 34134

Tribute Wall

DE

“ *My condolences to Jim’s family.
He was a wonderful man.
I’ll always cherish one of his pieces he gave me.
May you rest in peace and we’ll meet again someday.*

Deborah - September 10, 2025 at 11:26 AM

MA

“ *Played bocce with Jim a. Real gentleman , he will be missed*

mike Aquilino - May 18, 2025 at 09:24 AM

RF

“ *My condolences to the Plesh family, may his memory be a blessing.
Jim and my dad shared many good times while working at
Paramount and after, Jim also videoed my wedding.
Rest in peace*

Ron Freeman - April 22, 2025 at 11:15 AM

PK

“ *Jim was a good friend and a very talented artist. I met Jim 6 years ago when he stopped in our art gallery at The Promenade At Bonita Bay and we sold many of his amazing paintings. Last visit was just 2 weeks ago. He will be missed. Peter & Pam Kiernan Marine Arts Gallery*



pete kiernan - April 15, 2025 at 01:00 PM

KC

“ Deepest sympathy to Jim's family from cousins Karen Cavrag (Canada) and Ada Stefani (Croatia).

Karen Cavrag - April 14, 2025 at 09:10 PM

KA

“ Karen A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Jim" A. Plesh.

Karen A. - April 14, 2025 at 09:05 PM

AL

“ Ann L. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Jim" A. Plesh.

Ann L. - April 14, 2025 at 06:38 PM

DP

“ The Plesh family and the Lojek family were neighbors for many years. They were like family to us. I was the youngest Lojek, and the nickname "Bunny" was given to me by Mimi or Jimmy or everyone in the family. I am honored to have a pencil sketch drawn by Jim when I was a little girl sitting on the Plesh's back porch. That sketch is a treasure to me. I pray that the Plesh family and my Lojek family are neighbors in heaven.
Rest in peace, Jim.

Dorothy Lojek Perock

Dorothy Lojek Perock - April 14, 2025 at 05:24 PM

DA

“ Dorothy A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Jim" A. Plesh.

Dorothy A. - April 14, 2025 at 05:08 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James "Jim" A. Plesh.

April 14, 2025 at 02:31 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James "Jim" A. Plesh.



April 14, 2025 at 02:31 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James "Jim" A. Plesh.

April 14, 2025 at 02:29 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of James "Jim" A. Plesh.



April 14, 2025 at 02:29 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James "Jim" A. Plesh.

April 14, 2025 at 10:16 AM



“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of James "Jim" A. Plesh.



April 14, 2025 at 10:16 AM



“ Norton Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James "Jim" A. Plesh.



Norton Family - April 14, 2025 at 09:25 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James "Jim" A. Plesh.



April 13, 2025 at 07:22 PM