



James Nick Cannell

August 13, 1944 - December 20, 2024

James Nick Cannell, age 80, after a life well-lived and a selfless devotion to his family, passed away peacefully surrounded by family, on December 20, 2024. Jim was born in Columbus, Ohio on August 13, 1944 to Hope and Nick Cannell, who preceded him in death along with his brother Steve. He graduated from Upper Arlington High School and attended Miami University and The Ohio State University.

He lived his life believing “God will, if you won’t - Do it God’s way.” Jim devoted his life to taking care of his children and preparing them to live in God’s will. He was faithful in providing support to many Christian ministries he held dear.

A family tradition started many years ago with the annual Upper Arlington Fourth of July celebration. Attending the UA Parade and fireworks with grandchildren were especially happy times. He loved trips to Disney with his father, visits to Beulah Beach Camp (Huron, Ohio) with his granddaughters, lunches with old High School buddies, seeing his children and their families gather at holidays, and especially hearing God’s word and studying His Bible.

Jim was selfless, and devoted his life to the care and comfort of others. Jim is survived by his sons, daughter, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren: son Nick Cannell and his wife Denise of Columbus, son Michael Cannell and his

wife Michele of Powell, daughter Christin Howarth and her husband Ben of Upper Arlington, and son Matthew Cannell and his wife Lauren of Columbus. His beloved family also includes grandchildren James Cannell of Dublin, Kyra Richardson and her husband Dwayne of Delaware, Melina Folwarczny and her husband Andrew of Powell, Olivia Howarth of Upper Arlington, Elliana Howarth of Upper Arlington, and Caden Cannell of Columbus. He was also blessed with great-granddaughters Aria Richardson, Isla Richardson, and Elsie Richardson of Delaware. Jim is also survived by three loving sisters and many nieces and nephews.

A celebration service will be held at First Alliance Church, 3750 W. Henderson Rd, Columbus, Ohio 43220 on Friday, December 27 at 3:00pm where friends may call one hour prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, friends may consider donations to PDHC (Pregnancy Decision Health Center) 665 E. Dublin-Granville Road, Suite 120, Columbus, Ohio 43229.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 27. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

First Alliance Church
3750 Henderson Rd.
Columbus, OH 43220

Funeral Service

DEC 27. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Surface Experts Team purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of James Nick Cannell.*



Surface Experts Team - December 27, 2024 at 07:00 AM

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“ *Surface Experts Team planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Nick Cannell.*

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“ *Love Chuck and Debbi Hendrickson purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of James Nick Cannell.*



Love Chuck and Debbi Hendrickson - December 25, 2024 at 06:42 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James Nick Cannell.*



December 25, 2024 at 06:35 PM

WD

“ A dear friend , Served at WCVO- FM together along with Rich Fout on Final flight. We did local christian concerts also. O



William 'Bill' Dodson - December 24, 2024 at 12:11 PM

WR

“ Jim has been a great friend and mentor ever since we first met at Rhema Christian Center. We have shared a lot of good times together. I will always carry Jim in my heart.

william Richmond - December 24, 2024 at 11:39 AM

JG

“ Jim was a longtime friend. He videotaped my wedding before that was popular and I am so thankful for that. He was a true friend and would do anything for everyone! He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. Rest in Heavenly Peace 🙏

Jan Geswein - December 24, 2024 at 01:23 AM

TR

“ Jim was a longtime friend from UA school. He will be missed by his family, friends and community. It was good to see him whenever I was visiting Ohio. He will be missed.

Toni Wyant Reynolds - December 23, 2024 at 06:32 PM

MC

“Dad, you will be greatly missed. We thank God every day for putting you in our lives. I am consoled by the fact that you are with Jesus, Grandma Hope, Grandpa Nick, and Steve. We love you very much.



Michael Cannell - December 23, 2024 at 03:46 PM