



## James "Jim" Christopher Buckner,II

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"It's a game that can't be won- only played. So I play."

-The Legend of Bagger Vance

James Christopher Buckner II, 74, died Saturday, October 1, 2022, at Grand Strand Regional Medical Center in Myrtle Beach after an extended illness.

Jim was born January 24, 1948, in Buffalo, NY, a son of the late Marion O'Brien Buckner and James Herbert Buckner.

He grew up in Kernersville, NC, and graduated from East Forsyth High School, where he lettered in golf, basketball, and football. He attended East Carolina University in Greenville, NC, receiving his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and an MBA. He moved to Myrtle Beach in 1980 and owned the Tally Ho Motor Inn and several other properties. Jim was active in the Hotel Motel Association, serving as its Chairman, and served on the Southern Innkeepers Association board. He founded Coastline Realty and Golf Trek, the premier golf package company on the Grand Strand.

Jim's priorities in life were always family, golf, the East Carolina Pirates, and the UNC Tarheels. He was an avid golfer. Jim held the course record at Oak Island Country Club, Farmstead, and Indigo Creek. He made seven hole-in-ones during his lifetime of golf. Jim was a true son of the game.

Survivors include his wife of 52 years, Pat; three daughters, Meredith (Parker) Smith of Murrells Inlet, Blair Sprunger of Surfside Beach, and Jamie Stewart of Myrtle Beach; five grandchildren, Cameron and Annabelle Smith, Sutton Sprunger, and Caroline and Harrison Stewart; former son-in-law, Steve Sprunger; two brothers, Mike Buckner and Patrick Buckner of Winston-Salem, NC; a niece and two nephews; and family friends, Don Edwards and Lee Davis. He was predeceased by many of his golf buddies.

His life will be celebrated on October 24, 2022, at Prestwick Country Club from 4-6 pm. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in memory of Jim to First Tee- Coastal Carolinas.

Goldfinch Funeral Home of Murrells Inlet is assisting the family.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Met Mr. Buckner summer of 1997 i was working as an assistant at Deer Track and He lived on the North Course. Always kind with a word or two he is man that will surely be missed.

*Craig M Kenley III*

Craig Kenley - October 20, 2022 at 01:28 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of James "Jim" Christopher Buckner,II.



October 18, 2022 at 12:02 PM

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“ I have known Jim for 57 years and he was always there for me whenever I needed him. He was a fine person and a true friend. He was loved by so many and will be missed very much. My love and deepest sympathy go out to his daughters Meredith, Blair and Jamie and the entire family and especially to his wife Pat. Jim will live on in all our hearts because of the many memories we share of having known him. Thank you God for enriching my life and the lives of so many by having our paths cross with this caring, considerate and kind man.



Jim Viola - October 14, 2022 at 06:51 PM

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“ *Mary Lou Pennett purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of James "Jim" Christopher Buckner, II.*



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**Mary Lou Pennett** - October 14, 2022 at 09:09 AM