



## James Donald McLellan

November 20, 1926 - July 19, 2016

James Donald McLellan, age 89, passed away July 19. Loving father of James McLellan, Beth (Duane) McLellan-Ruland, and Thomas (Sandra) McLellan. Grandfather to Amanda, Shea, Meghan, and Owen. Great grandfather to Owen, Parker, Ashton, and Jameson. Loving brother to Marcia Plumb and brother in-law to Barbara McLellan. Uncle to Mark, Christine, Barbara, and Richard. Jim was preceded in death by parents H. James and Ester McLellan, brother Richard McLellan, and brother in-law Richard Plumb. He was a veteran and served in the Army Air Corps in WWII in Guam and Saipan. Jim was a member of Scottish Rite of Free Masonry for over 50 years. Jim was also an avid softball player and enjoyed boating, fishing, and time spent with family and friends. His spirit, wit, and good humor made everyone around him smile. Jim enjoyed life to the fullest and will be dearly missed by all that knew him.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions in James's name will be announced. Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is handling the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

JM

“ I am deeply saddened to have lost such a good friend whom I have known for over 36 years. We worked together, fished together, and played hard together for many years. I will always have many fond memories of JD with all the parties and entertaining we shared together through the years. JD had such spirit and loved life and lived it to the fullest. He was always positive, upbeat and would light up the room with his presence. I have so many wonderful memories of the times I spent with JD back in Wisconsin, Antioch, Charlotte and here in Arizona. JD passed away last Tuesday July 19th on my 60th Birthday, I am blessed and honored to have shared that day with him as he will always be in my thoughts and prayers.

*John Mardoian  
Phoenix , Arizona*

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**John Mardoian** - July 27, 2016 at 09:07 PM

BD

*I can remember when I first met JD out in Bagley WI. He came out to go Duck hunting with all the guys. JL introduced him to me and asked if I would mind if he hunted with me the next day. I said I would love too! It is to long of a story but there is little bay in the bottoms that got he nick name of Heart Attack Bay. JD and I hunted for many years together over my first Black Lab Cory. He was one of the nicest guys you would ever want to meet. He nick named me Golden Voice because I was good at calling Ducks. JD you will be missed for ever. There are far to many stories to tell! Bob DeGrand*

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**Bob DeGrand** - July 28, 2016 at 02:58 PM

WU

“ Thanks for your service Airman !!!!  
Wayne Williams  
United States Marine Corps



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Wayne Williams - USMC - July 27, 2016 at 07:50 AM

KS

“ My family and I are deeply saddened by the loss of Mr. McLellan.  
From the moment we met him, we were struck by his wit and spirit.  
Our sincerest sympathy his family.

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Ken Silverman - July 26, 2016 at 08:06 PM

JH

“ Jim was a good man who will be truly missed. I've known him for over 10 years playing softball. Though he hasn't been on the field for quite some time I would see him a lot at the local Kroger store. I enjoyed talking with him like two little old ladies standing in the aisle. He would always say he doesn't come down to the field much because he didn't recognize anyone with all the new faces. I would try to convince him that he was a softball legend and everyone would love to see him. That would always make him laugh.

*REST IN PEACE. Jimmy. John Hoelzel(Pelican John).*

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john hoelzel - July 26, 2016 at 11:17 AM

CJ

“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



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**Charles Jamerson** - July 25, 2016 at 06:10 PM

KG

“ Another great WW2 veteran is gone. Jimmy was always a nice guy. I'll miss him. RIP!!

*My sympathies to the family.*

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**ken Good** - July 25, 2016 at 07:44 AM

WJ

“ Hey Jimmy, I know you're holding court in heaven. Probably had a few beers. Your wit and humor are second to none. You were a special person in my life. As Joe said to know you was to love you. See you in heaven, although I may struggle getting there. Don't fall off any chairs. Your buddy WV Woody

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**woody jarrell** - July 25, 2016 at 06:42 AM

BD

“ my condolences to jimmy's family. after playing ball with him for 15 years and enjoying him and his sense of humor he will be missed. he was just a great guy.

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**bill desbiens** - July 25, 2016 at 05:04 AM



“ Jimmy always welcomed you with a smile and his quick, and I mean quick wit. He was one of the first to welcome me to senior softball and always greeted me as if I was a long lost friend. I am jealous now the Good Lord will be seeing his smiling face and I will miss it. Heaven is now even a better place, rest in peace friend!

Steve Dye

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**Steve Dye** - July 24, 2016 at 05:25 PM

LW

“ We were tremendously blessed to have Jim McLellan in our lives for over 25 years. His love, wisdom, humor and support will always remain cherished in our hearts. He was truly a wonderful, dear friend. Whether you needed a smile, hug, great joke or glass raised in appreciation Jim was always there. Words can't express how much he will be missed, but the great memories of him will live forever. Thank you for the joy, laughs, love and constant you always were to us all.

With respect, admiration and love,  
Lynn and Lee White

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**lynn white** - July 24, 2016 at 03:55 PM

CA

“ On behalf of the Anderson family, Jim will always be remembered for touching three generations of our family! Tom & Kay Anderson, Cheryl Anderson & Tom Woodward

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**Cheryl Anderson** - July 24, 2016 at 11:09 AM

BR

Jim you were one of a kind. Nancy and I are Blessed to have spent many evening sitting on your porch over a few Librations (a few). Your sharp wit and great sense of humor will be sorely missed. RIP . Pal.

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**Bruce and Nancy Reinhart** - July 25, 2016 at 03:09 PM

NC

“ *May the peace of the lord be with you and your family. Your softball friend Norm.*

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**norm clark** - July 24, 2016 at 10:43 AM

MS

“ *On behalf of the Jensen community, the Sunshine Club at Jensens wishes to express our sincere condolences for the loss of your loved one. You are in our thoughts and in our prayers at this time. Please call on us if we can be of any assistance. Sandie Glen, Chairperson.*

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**Mary Smith** - July 24, 2016 at 09:22 AM

JB

*I traded friendly insults with Jim for years. He was so amazing...Always got the last word in. To know was to love him.*

*Joe and Lorraine Benedetto*

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**joe Benedetto** - July 24, 2016 at 11:36 AM

TG

*We went on many Softball tournaments with Jim, and won some games and lost some games, but we always had a good time! We'll miss him.*

*Ted & Sue Galante*

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**Ted Galante** - July 24, 2016 at 03:04 PM