



James N. Burke

May 19, 1956 - June 30, 2021

James N. Burke, "Jim," 65, of Salisbury, passed away on Wednesday, June 30, 2021, at his home.

He was born on May 19, 1956, in Salisbury, a son of the late George William Burke and Audrey Burke.

James retired from the US Coast Guard after 22 years of service and went on to work for Cato Oil in Salisbury. He took great pride in his work and enjoyed helping others. He loved to cook, cut grass, go fishing, drive his truck on the beach to surf fish with his brothers, and spend time with his family.

He is survived by his children, Jessica D. Burke and James Ryan Burke; wife, Maria Del Socorro Ventura; stepchildren, Jose Ruben Ventura, Wilmer Gabriel Ventura, Salvador Jose Ventura, and Ines Ventura; grandchildren, Peyton Brown, Lilliana Ventura, Mateo Ventura; sisters, Donna Adams and Connie Burke, and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a daughter, Jamie Adams and brothers, William and David Burke.

Services will be held at a later date.

Arrangements are in the care of Short Funeral Home in Delmar. Online condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.shortfh.com.

Tribute Wall

BG

“ Sincere condolences to the Burke family. Served with Jim at CAMSLANT in the mid-80's. Great Coast Guard radioman, good neighbor and friend. You never forget the good ones and Jim will not be forgotten.

Bill Gatter - October 06, 2021 at 04:21 PM

JB

Thank you for the kind words. Dad was one of the good ones.

Jessica Burke - February 01, 2022 at 05:10 PM

DO

“ Jim was more than a buddy in the Coast Guard. He was like my brother for several years! We may have lost touch, but he'll always be in my thoughts and prayers! God speed my brother!

Daniel Overmier - October 04, 2021 at 07:45 PM

JB

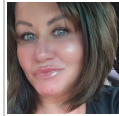
Thank you for the kind words Mr. Overmier.

Jessica Burke - February 01, 2022 at 05:10 PM

DB

“ Jim Burke was a pure Southern Gentleman. Always had time to say a few words to anyone he encountered at work. He had such a easy going manner, enjoyed life and his family. Heaven has a new special angel, Jim you will be missed.

Debbie Bell - July 12, 2021 at 03:36 PM



Thank you for always be so kind to my Dad Debbie. He thought highly of you and the Cato family.

Jessica Burke - August 27, 2021 at 09:49 AM

RB

“Dad you are my hero and I’ll never forget the sacrifices you made to keep US KIDS safe and happy. You wore the worlds burdens on your heart and wasn’t happy unless everyone around him was first. A truly great person with a sole of gold. I know where you are!!!! I know you are with the whole fam that has passed and God has had a place ready for you for a long time. I’ll never forget the stuff you taught me and will never take the little things for granted agin. One of my last great memories was the day befor when you hooked onto that fish. I seen a light in your eyes I haven’t seen in years. You will always be my fishing buddy in this life and in the next. The best way to honor your name is to wake up EVERYDAY NO MATTER WHAT and GO TO WORK!!!!!!!!!!!! You took great pride in your work weather it was mowing your grass or carrying out orders from your superiors. If I live to be half the man you were I know the people around me will be ok. Everything you did was for others. It’s about you now dad!!!!!! May Gods Grace help you Rest In Peace. I’ll never be the same man with out you.

Ryan Burke - July 08, 2021 at 04:39 AM

DO

I’m sorry Ryan

Daniel Overmier - October 04, 2021 at 07:47 PM

BT

I was stationed with Jim in Chesapeake VA. back in the mid 80's. He was always a leader and a good man. Soft spoken and very respectful of others. Rest in peace!

Brian Tully - October 06, 2021 at 09:37 PM

TR

Ryan this is Tim Rollins. I was station with your dad at Governors Island at the Security Control Point. Please tell Jessie how sorry I am of hearing your Dads passing. 301 752-4291. I'm residing in Easton MD.

Tim rollins - January 14, 2022 at 04:38 PM

JB

“Dad, I miss you so much. Words can not even begin to describe the emptiness I feel. You raised me. You took care of me, my whole life. I pray I can be half the parent you were to us. My heart hurts. I'd give anything to talk to you again. I love you, so much. I miss you dad.

Jessica Burke - July 07, 2021 at 11:21 PM

DO

Jess, I'm very sorry for your loss. Your dad was a great guy....

Daniel Overmier - October 04, 2021 at 07:48 PM

TR

Jessie I'm sorry for your loss. You, your brother and Dad came to Sandy Hook To visit Laura and I and the kids. I remember you baking cookies. Call me @ 301 752-4291. I tried to get a hold of your dad for many years. Your dad one one of the vest bosses and friends I ever had the pleasure of serving under. He was honest and fare all the time and he sure loved his kids. Tim Rollins RM1/TCC RET

Tim rollins - January 14, 2022 at 04:45 PM

AC

Jessie, I am sure you do not remember me but I used to babysit you and Ryan when we all lived on the Northwest base in Chesapeake VA. You were probably around 6 or 7 years old. My Dad just told me that he saw in some Coast Guard news letter that he gets that Jim passed away. I am so sorry to hear this. Your dad actually taught me how to drive lol. I always remember babysitting y'all and how great your dad was. Im so sorry for your loss. - Amy Christian

Amy Christian - March 19, 2022 at 12:40 PM

PB

“ *JIM
KNOWN YOU AS A BROTHER, FOR OVER 50 YEARS. WILL
MISS YOU MORE THAN YOU COULD HAVE KNOWN.. HAVE
SHARED SO MANY MEMORIES AND ADVENTURES. DAVE
WOULD HAVE BEEN HEART BROKEN ,AS I AM. WILL MISS OUR
TALKS.
THIS HAS HIT THE WHOLE FAMILY REALLY HARD. SUCH A
GREAT GIVING PERSON. YOU ARE LOVED.
LOVE YOU! PAM*

PAMELA BURKE - July 07, 2021 at 03:52 PM

DM

“ *Jim was definitely one of the good guys at Cato. Loved chatting with
him. RIP "Jimbob".*

Debbie M - July 07, 2021 at 11:21 AM

JW

“ *Jim was one of the nicest people I've ever met. Even though I didn't
work in the same department I did have the pleasure of having
many conversations with him. He was always so calm and even
tempered. A calming tone to his voice. Such a great loss. My heart
and thoughts go out to his loved ones.*

John W - July 07, 2021 at 09:38 AM

DA

“Bro, can't believe you are gone. My heart is so heavy. I will miss you more than words could ever say. I think back on the stupid little things we all did growing up, then we had to ruin things by growing up. You took a big piece of my heart to Heaven with you. You will be missed forever and a day. Love you my brother. Donna



Donna Adams - July 07, 2021 at 08:14 AM

LD

RIP Jimmy you will be so missed you were a great guy

Lori Denton - July 07, 2021 at 05:06 PM

LD

So sorry for the loss of your brother Donna

Lori Denton - July 07, 2021 at 05:09 PM

BF

Just read in the "Chief" magazine of Jim's passing. Jim and I worked together at Camslant in Chesapeake Va back in the 80's. He was a great guy and could always be counted on. RIP Jim.

Bob Fraser - October 04, 2021 at 03:55 PM

DD

Sorry to hear, was also stationed with him in 80' at COMMSTA Portsmouth.

Darryl "JD" Donovan - October 04, 2021 at 07:24 PM

DB

Just saw this in the Chiefs book, Ryan and Jessica Condolences to you both. He was a great man and we are glad to have known him on Governors Island. Joey and Heather Brooks are our children. Gone to soon. Dennis and Donna Brooks

Donna /Dennis Brooks - October 06, 2021 at 04:52 PM

DA

Well Bro, it's been a year. Seems like yesterday. Love & miss you so much. Love Donna

Donna Adams - June 30, 2022 at 01:14 PM