



**REMEMBERING**  
**Joseph (Jim) Kemes**  
September 14, 1934 - May 9, 2019



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**Tribute from Nunes-Pottinger Funeral Service & Crematorium**

Nunes-Pottinger Funeral Service Staff send our condolences to family and friends.

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**Tribute from Beverly Pottinger**

Relation: friends

Dearest Donna,

You've been on my mind lately... I will never forget how you and Jim "adopted" us all when we moved to town. I have so many fond memories of you and I in your pool, frolicking with the boys while Jim looked on with a smile. You and Jim were surrogate grandparents to the boys when they were little and I'll never forget being welcomed into your home and hearts. Jim was such a wonderful man, always with a kind word, smile and a hug and a compassionate ear. Our thoughts are with you and yours.

Beverly, Daryn, Mathew and Jeremy

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**Tribute from Lynn**

Relation: As kids we knew Jim when he worked with our Dad at the Packinghouse.

Our sincere condolences to Jim's family on the loss of a kind and gentle man ~ Bill Shaw Family

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**Tribute from Brian Mapplebeck**

Relation: friend

Sorry Donna

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**Tribute from Trish Van Vianen**

My thoughts are with you all as you say goodbye to a wonderful man. I was fortunate enough to get to know him growing up in Oliver. May you all find comfort in the memories you hold in your hearts and may sharing them bring you as much joy as it did while making them.

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**Tribute from Lorette Gludovatz**

Relation: Friend

Sorry to hear of Jim's passing. My condolences to Donna and family.

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**Tribute from Silvia Budavari**

Relation: Friend

My heart and thoughts are with you, Donna and family. Jim was a great man and I am sure he will paint many a great pictures in heaven!!!

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**Tribute from Don and Ruth McLarty**

Relation: Friend of Donna

Our thoughts are with you and your family Donna. Jim was a great man and a wonderful artist. Take care

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**Tribute from Pat & Linda Hampson**

Relation: I met Jim through my good friend Grant Bott who trained me as a Firefighter in West Van.

Please accept our sincere condolences.

Pat & Linda Hampson.

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**Tribute from Val (Cowan) Hitchens**

Relation: Friend

Hi Donna-Faye & family

I was very sad to hear of Jimmy's passing. Auntie Margaret passed along the news to me. I fondly remember our get together a few (maybe more) years ago at your home with Jimmy. I treasure some items of artwork he gave me...we had such a great time visiting & I was struck by the love & happiness you two exhibited! We go back a long way growing up as neighbors - you & your family are very special to me. We are better for having Jimmy & you in our lives...I hope we can visit again soon. I will try to come to the service. Much love.

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**Tribute from Marlene Bolenback**

Relation: My boss @ the Oliver Co-op Packing House

Whenever Jim did his rounds, at the packing house, he always had time to stop and chat for a few minutes. He never chatted without asking about my family and when asked about his, his whole face lit up as he talked about those he loved. Jim was a wonderful boss and he will be dearly missed. My heart felt condolences to you Donna and your family.

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**Tribute from Sandy Prevost**

Relation: Dana is our daughter-in-law

We are saddened with the news of Jim's passing. Lovely person with a wonderful talent. (Just turned the page of his last calendar - ahhh!)

Our hearts go out to you Donna, Ramona, Tara and Dana. Rest assured that he had a happy life with all of you by his side.

Denis and Sandy Prevost

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**Tribute from Linda and Ken Nunweiler**

Relation: friend

We were sad to hear you lost your dear husband Jim. Unfortunately we will not be here for his service.

Our deepest sympathy to you Donna and your family.

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**Tribute from Diana Riches**

Relation: daughter of Betty and George Riches therefore "second cousin" along with my brother Brad and my sister Sandi

My heart goes out to Donna, Ramona, Dana and Tara with the loss of dear Jimmy. He was a truly loving man who along with Donna - also so loving, have always welcomed us so warmly into their home(s).

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**Tribute from Lorena Iceton (Halase)**

My sincere condolences to Donna and the family.

I knew Jim, Donna and Ramona when growing up in Oliver. My parents, Pat and LaVerne Halase knew them well.

May he Rest in Peace and join all those that have gone before him.

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**Tribute from Wendy Von-Niessen**

Relation: Cousin

Donna-Faye, Ramona, Dana, Tara, Hannah, Luke and Sam

I am so sorry for your loss. Jim was an amazing man. So knowledgeable ... always enjoyed our visits and conversations. I wish I would have been able to get down to see you more often when I was visiting Kelowna. My earliest memory was being flower girl at Donna-Faye and Jim's wedding and sitting beside this fellow (I can see him but cant remember his name) and having to toast with this awful tasting red wine ... lol. I was so in awe of his talent ... loved his artwork. More recent memories were that of Grill Master!!

Sorry that I am not able to attend His celebration of Life tomorrow. I will be thinking of you all and sending warm hugs and Lots and Lots of Love xoxo

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**Tribute from John & Lynn Bremmer**

Relation: orchardist thur co-op and Rotary

What a wonderful tribute to Jim. Contributing his paintings to friends and relatives was a great way for us to remember him forever. We met Jim thru the co-op as we originally owned an apple orchard. We are in the wine trade so switched to grapes so naturally chose his grape painting. We continued to enjoy Jim's and Donna's company over the years thru Rotary where he always donated a painting which were highly rated and received competing bids in the Rotary auction. Truly a gentle and lovable man and a talented painter.

John & Lynn

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