



Richards, James Cornelius 'Jim'

1932-2021

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Decatur ~ James Cornelius Richards Sr., 89, went to be with our Lord Tuesday, Dec. 21, 2021.

Funeral is 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 27, at the First United Methodist Church in Decatur with burial at Oaklawn Cemetery. Family will receive friends 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday at Hawkins Funeral Home in Decatur.

The Rev. Donny Haywood will officiate. Pallbearers include Kliff Black, Pat McCurdy, Wayne Trachta, Yates McCurdy, Cole McCurdy and Nicholas Trachta. Honorary pallbearers are Shay Collins, Nathan Strange, Rocky Prestifilippo, Walker Sinex and Reid Zambardino.

Jim was born Nov. 30, 1932, in San Marcos to Harold and Sue Reagan (Cox) Richards. He was united in marriage June 7, 1952, to Catherine Elaine Overall in Round Rock. He graduated from the University of Texas at Austin with a

Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting. Jim worked as a Certified Public Accountant and later started his own company, James Richards Associates. He was a beloved father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle and friend to many who will miss him dearly.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Catherine Elaine Richards; his son, James C. "Jimmy" Richards Jr.; his brothers, Harold Richards and BC Richards; his sisters, Catherine Beasley, Barbara Perkins, Dorothy Hutchison and Virginia Olson.

Those left behind to cherish his memory are his daughters, Molly Black and husband, Kliff, of Granbury, Beth McCurdy and husband, Pat, of Decatur and Gay Trachta and husband, Wayne, of Decatur; his grandchildren, Jennifer Collins and husband, Shay, Stephanie Strange and husband, Nathan, Yates McCurdy and wife, Meagan, Lauren Prestifilippo and husband, Rocky, Cole McCurdy and wife, Chelsea, Reagan Trachta, Kendall Trachta, Nicholas Trachta and fiancée, Brynn Sutherland, and Cameron Sinex and husband, Walker; his great-grandchildren, Zane Collins, Emma Collins, Stokes McCurdy, Leo Prestifilippo, Andie McCurdy and Emory Sinex; extended family members; and a host of friends.