



James Walter Shaw Jr

January 27, 1937 - February 16, 2025

James Walter Shaw, Jr., lovingly known as Jim aka “Poppy”, passed away peacefully on February 16, 2025, at the age of 88 in Pennsville, NJ. Born on January 27, 1937, in Salem, NJ, Jim lived a life of quiet strength, unwavering devotion, and deep love for his family.

Jim was the beloved husband of Gabriella Shaw, with whom he shared 62 years of marriage—a bond built on love, faith, and mutual respect. Together, they created a family rooted in kindness and integrity. He was a dedicated father to Sherri Lyn Shaw Loveless, James Walter Shaw III, and Jeffrey Shaw, and a proud grandfather to Richard Luke Loveless Jr., Alex James Loveless, James Walter Shaw IV, Julia Shaw Pimentel (Guiberson), Nicholas Shaw, and Joseph Shaw. His joy multiplied with the arrival of his great-grandchildren: Bristol Shaw, Luca Pimentel, and Cooper Pimentel. Jim also shared a special bond with his sibling, Polly Rogers.

A graduate of Goldey-Beacom College with an Associate's Business degree, Jim served his country with honor as a radio operator in the United States Air Force. His discipline and precision carried into his professional life, where he dedicated years of service to the Pennsville Township Water Department.

Jim’s presence was steady, his demeanor gentle, and his wit sharp. Though quiet by nature, he had an uncanny ability to surprise others with his clever observations, often leaving loved ones in laughter. His sharp mind, particularly his mathematical precision, was legendary—he could quickly add large numbers and always knew the exact total of the coins in his pocket.

A man of simple joys, Jim loved fishing with his family, bike riding, and watching his children and grandchildren play football. He was an avid NFL fan and took great pride in maintaining his lawn, finding peace in the rhythm of mowing and caring for the landscape. He was also known for his love of good food—especially chili, Gay's homemade spaghetti, and anything sweet. Above all, Jim was the quiet foundation of his family. His presence brought stability, his love was steadfast, and his memory will live on in the hearts and stories of those who knew him.

A funeral service will be held on February 22, 2025, at Christian Life Center, 670 S Broadway, Pennsville, NJ 08070. The visitation will begin at 10:00 AM, followed by the service at 11:00 AM, before proceeding to the Lawnside Cemetery for burial.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you honor Jim's memory by taking a moment to enjoy life's simple pleasures—whether it's watching a football game, enjoying a favorite meal, or appreciating the beauty of a well-kept lawn.

Composed by: Dick Loveless Jr., Ed.D.

Cemetery Details

Lawnside Cemetery

1017 Route 40
Pilesgrove, NJ 08098
(856) 769-2626

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Christian Life Center
670 S Broadway
Pennsville, NJ 08070

Funeral Service

FEB 22. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Carol Molinari Monks lit a candle in memory of James Walter Shaw Jr



Carol Molinari Monks - February 21, 2025 at 09:20 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Walter Shaw Jr.

February 21, 2025 at 08:45 AM



“ Rose Remembrance was purchased for the family of James Walter Shaw Jr.



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“ Georgianna F Shrier lit a candle in memory of James Walter Shaw Jr



Georgianna F Shrier - February 20, 2025 at 09:07 PM

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“ *very sorry old buddy Fran*

Francis w Bobb - February 20, 2025 at 04:02 PM