



James M. Loomis

October 4, 1944 - December 19, 2017

Jim Milo Loomis, 72, went to be with his Lord on December 19, 2017. He was born in American Falls, Idaho, and moved at age three to Winter Park, Florida. Jim grew up in downtown Winter Park behind Rollins College. He graduated from Winter Park High. His father built a hardware store on Orange Avenue and his mother taught music, thus he grew up with an engineer's thirst for knowledge and a keen interest in the arts and music.

He served 4 years of active duty in the Air Force during the Viet Nam Conflict. He was based in Korat, Thailand, attached to the Royal Thai Air Force. This duty was followed by two years in the Reserves, during which time he worked for Martin Marietta and Sears, while he finished his BA in Business at Florida Southern University. He graduated with honors. Throughout his military service he volunteered with the Air Force Drum and Bugle Corps.

Jim passed his State of Florida boards in Certified Public Accounting in 1980, while working for Martin Marietta.

In 1984 Jim and a business partner built a professional building on south Mills Avenue in Orlando. In 1985 after completion of the professional building, Jim occupied the second floor of the building as Loomis and Hable P.A., Certified Public Accounting Firm. Jim was managing Partner of that firm for 10 years.

In 1994 Jim joined Glickstein, Laval, Carris P.A., Certified Public Accounting firm in Maitland, Florida. He became both a Shareholder and Partner with the firm, and retired in 2011.

He was the "Master of Understatement and good ole Southern Charm" always putting others at ease with his gentle manner and kind, gracious heart. He loved his redheads... his wife, Tootsie, and his service dog, Koda. He filled his life with three passions... Aviation, the Bach Festival Choir, and the appreciation of good food shared with family and friends.

Jim waged and fought a courageous battle of seven years with Parkinson's and Lewy Body Dementia. He participated in every type of physical exercise that was available for Parkinson's in Central Florida, as well as many for mind and brain fitness. He passed away peacefully in his home, with his Co-Pilot wife and service dog Koda at his side.

He is survived by his wife Lorraine "Tootsie" Yarborough-Loomis; his daughter Sarah Anne (Kyle) Dallape, grandchildren Lane Anne and Trevor, Atlanta, GA; his sister Dorothy (Maurice) Bourquin Geneva, Switzerland; and sister-in-law Patricia Loomis Vancouver, OR.

Passions and Memberships:

American and Florida Institutes of CPA's

AOPA, life member

Bach Festival Choir, 40 year medal 2015

Canterbury Center Board, past Treasurer

Central Florida Chiropractic Association, past Treasurer

Dance for PD, Florida Hospital

Episcopal Counseling Center Board, past Chair

Episcopal Diocese of Orlando, past Treasurer

First United Methodist Church of Geneva Choir

Passions and Memberships Cont.:

Federal Aviation Administration Production Crew Member & Safety Counselor

Federal Aviation Safety Team

Florida Aviation Safety Foundation Board, past CEO

Florida Motion Picture Theater Association, past Treasurer

National Aviation Safety Foundation Board, past CEO

Orlando Shakespeare Festival Board

Parkinson's Happy Bunch Choir

Parkinson's Association of Central Florida

St. Luke's Episcopal Men and Boys Choir

Spin for Parkinson's, Winter Park Crosby YMCA

Winter Park Half Century Club

Celebration of Life

Saturday, January 20th, 2018 at 1pm

Location:

Ashbury United Methodist Church

220 West Horatio Avenue

P.O. Box 940236

Maitland, Florida 32751

407-644-5222

In lieu of flowers the family has ask that you consider a donation to:

Parkinson Association of Central Florida

P. O. Box 3337

Winter Park, Florida 32790-337

Or donate online:

<http://www.parkinsoncf.org/donate/>

Or

Hospice of the Comforter

480 West Central Parkway

Altamonte Springs, FL 32714

407-682-0808

Or

Florida Aviation Network

Obie1@cfl.rr.com/Obie.Young@FloridaAviationNetwork.com

407-719-6335

Events

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Comments



“ Jim was a dear friend for many years. He and his then wife Holly and the two of us had many memorable trips, in addition to our years singing together in the choir of the Cathedral Church of St. Luke. (All those post-choir practice trips to Steak 'n' Shake for fries and milk shakes!) We are so glad that we knew him.

Josephine P Dickson - January 20, 2018 at 06:12 PM



“ In the 1990s I was the Concerts Manager for the London Bach Choir We arranged a tour in Florida, linking up with the Bach Festival Society of Wimter Park and other choirs throughout Florida. This necessitated much rapid travelling around the State . I was, and remain, hugely grateful to him for flying me all over the State - I had a private pilot! He and his then wife Holly became close friends and shared happy times with us in the US , England and France. I have so many memories of him, and of his dry sense of humour . Thank you, Jim, and keep singing. Jennifer Vernor-Miles

jennifer vernor-Miles - January 17, 2018 at 05:58 AM



“ Tootsie, on behalf of Art's The Spark at The Orlando Museum of Art, I would like to express condolences to you and your family. You and Jim have been an integral part of the program and we will certainly miss Jim's smiling face. I hope you will find comfort in your many years of wonderful memories. Thank you for sharing your time with us.

Sincerely,

Pam Levin



Pamela L Levin - January 16, 2018 at 01:33 PM



“ I met Jim in 1981. I graduated from high school, and was looking for a job. He had just started his own practice, and needed a part time person. I got the job, and worked with him for 8 years. I have been in accounting ever since. He was like a father to me, he was generous, and taught me so much about accounting.

I remember how much Jim loved his daughter. He would count the days, when he knew he was going to see her, during the years I worked for him. He loved to fly, sing in the Bach Choir, and drink hot tea.

Jim will always hold a special place in my heart.

Alesia

Alesia - January 11, 2018 at 06:16 PM



“ I met Jim in Bach Festival Choir. Jim and Jim sat next to each other in rehearsal quite a few times. Sitting next to him was a pleasure. We sang bass together for several years. And as things changed in his life I would "keep an eye" out for him. He was very fond of his choir (sang 40 years) and loved his wife, Tootsie. He was an interesting man, and had many experiences of flying or travel to tell. Being an RN, I saw the small changes in him as he progressed, and pray that he went peacefully and glad for no more suffering. God Bless You, Loomis Family. And on behalf of the Bach choir family who sang with him, he will be missed. Jim Beck

Jim Beck - January 09, 2018 at 08:52 AM



“ Such a beautiful tribute to a beautiful gentleman, obviously written by someone who loved him very much.

I am so sorry that I will not be able to attend the ceremony, Tootsie. I am on a very short leash lately, but my thoughts are with you and your family. Love, Madeleine

madeleine mackenzie - January 05, 2018 at 01:50 PM



“ We only knew Jim for a short time through the Longwood Parkinson's group, but I wish we could have known him sooner! He was a sweet, kind and caring man who I know would have been a great friend. He and my husband, Larry, went to Easter Seals Day Care for several months and as a co-chauffeur with his beloved Tootsie, I got to know this charming man. I know he dearly loved his wife when he managed to speak about her in his cognitive moments and he couldn't wait to get home to her and Coda! Jim, you will be missed. I know heaven is rejoicing with your arrival!

Joan Bittle

Joan Bittle - January 05, 2018 at 10:06 AM



“ We knew you a long time ago but had never forgotten you. I'm sure you are leaving many broken hearts here on Earth. Our sympathies to your loved ones. Donna and Bill Chocianowski

donna Chocianowski - January 04, 2018 at 06:09 PM



“ I met Jim in the late 70's. I can't remember how I found him, but I needed a CPA. We hit it off from the beginning, as we had many things in common. I had started a new business (as did he) and needed a CPA. At the time, I was going to college at night, taking accounting courses to become (of all things) a CPA. I was taking flying lessons as well and was later to become an aircraft owner, as did Jim. Jim and I quickly became friends and his wisdom and counsel through the growth years of my business proved invaluable. But what I valued most was our friendship. Jim always had the time and an ear, no matter the topic. He would make time to meet anywhere to discuss issues, and lend advice, and he was never judgemental. The warmth of his friendship, the strength of his character, and his integrity will always cause him to remain a giant of a man in my book.

Ben & Mary Lu Konkel

Ben Konkel - January 02, 2018 at 09:16 PM



“ Tootsie, you and Jim have always been an inspiration to me in the relatively short time that we have known you. So sorry to hear of Jim's passing, but so glad he is now at peace! Our prayers are with you both!

Joan and Steve Sablone - December 31, 2017 at 03:54 PM



“ We first met Jim & Tootsie at Pedaling for Parkinson's in late 2014; they were a big reason we started attending Florida Hospital's Parkinson's Outreach Center's Orlando support group and related programs. Such inspiring people! We will miss Jim at the support group and will be keeping Tootsie and the rest of Jim's family in our prayers.



Marianne & Ned Popkins, Orlando - December 29, 2017 at 06:27 PM



“ We started attending the meetings for Parkinson's in 2013 shortly after Dan was diagnosed. I remember how I admired you and Jim as fellow warriors in this battle. I am so sorry to know Jim passed. I remember what you said to me at the last Parkinson's Meeting. It now has greater meaning knowing how close Jim was to passing. You have been so helpful especially to Dan and I when he had to close his business. He tells me of memories with Jim as a fellow CPA as he read his obituary. I pray for the peace that passes all understanding and His joy be with you. You are such a blessing to the Parkinson's group. I thank you for your good and wise advice.

Carolyn and Dan Freeman

Carolyn Freeman - December 29, 2017 at 04:21 AM



“ We met Tootsie and Jim as fellow partners of Lewy Body Dementia through our support group. What a wonderful thing it was to meet them. Jim will be missed and we will continue to love and support Tootsie as she deals with the next phase of her journey.

Love,
Karen & Rig

karen rigsby - December 28, 2017 at 08:20 PM



“ We met Jim and Tootsie when Parkinsons Disease entered our life in 2010. Tootsie immediately filled us in on the latest research and practical suggestions for coping with the symptoms. Jim and Bob became founding members of the fabulous "Peddling for Parkinsons" spin cycle group. Our friendship grew over many dinners out (that man could eat!!) and group gatherings. I always joked with Jim that we were related because I have a cousin with the same name (except no Milo in the middle). Jim will never be forgotten. His smile and gentle humor live on with us. Our prayers go out to Tootsie, family and friends. We all love this dear man.
Blessings,
Karen & Bob McRaine

Karen McRaine - December 28, 2017 at 11:45 AM



“ We've shared many a meal and laughter with Captain Jim. He was such a gentleman and an amazing man! I will always have fond memories of him. I remember him making his peppermint bark at Christmas and the fudge and so many other goodies. I remember sitting by the fire pit drinking champagne and tasting amazing cheeses, and the Salmon on the grill! Another fond memory was when we traveled South to see Barbra Streisand! That was an amazing weekend! But the thing I will remember forever most about Captain Jim is how deeply he loved his Tootsie, how the sun rose in his days because she was part of his life and how lucky he was to have her. He will be very missed! Love you! Laurie



Laurie Phillips - December 26, 2017 at 06:28 PM



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Obie Young - December 26, 2017 at 04:51 PM



“ Jim has always been a supporter of Aviation and Aviation Safety. He was one of founding members and board of directors for the National Aviation Safety Foundation (Florida Aviation Network) . Wishing you "Blue Skies & Tailwinds!" my friend. *** OBIE***



Obie Young - December 26, 2017 at 01:00 PM



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Obie Young - December 26, 2017 at 12:17 PM



“ Holly Rogers is following this tribute.

Holly Rogers - December 21, 2017 at 03:54 PM



“ Holly Rogers lit a candle in memory of James M. Loomis



Holly Rogers - December 21, 2017 at 03:20 PM



“ Tootsie.... sorry to hear of Jim's passing and I know how you feel as Judith also passed on November 1 after a long and hard fight. stay strong, stay busy and I'm here to lean on if you need it! Doug Scarola. 407-645-4081

doug scarola - December 21, 2017 at 12:10 PM



“ Tootsie: May God bless you and give you His peace knowing that Jim is with Jesus. He knows your loss. Rely on Him to bring you through this time of sadness. My wife, Joanna, went to be with Jesus on December 8. She was waiting for Him to take her in His arms. That's the assurance and peace that I have. God bless you.

Hugh Wallace December 30

Hugh Wallace - December 30, 2017 at 11:32 AM



“ Tootsie, God gives his best soldiers the tough assignments, because he gives us the love and support to get through the battle. You and Capt Jim fought a long battle and now it is time to rest and reflect on your wonderful journey. You have been a wonderful addition to our family since we moved to Geneva and your light was much brighter when Capt Jim came into your life. I am certain his beautiful voice will continue to soothe you as you continue your adventure with him as your co-pilot, because you have earned your wings.

Karen and Patrick Kelley - January 19, 2018 at 11:32 AM