



James Dewey Kirch

July 15, 2023

James Dewey Kirch, 62 years old, of Scituate RI, died on Saturday July 15, 2023 at Kent County Hospital after a lengthy illness, surrounded by his wife and children. Jim was the husband of Lori Ann (Dymek) Kirch for 35 years. Jim was born on September 29, 1960, in Carthage New York, the son of Dewey James Kirch and Betty Jean (Robbins) Kirch. Jim grew up in Carthage, NY and graduated from Carthage Central High School in 1978. He holds an associate degree from Jefferson Community College in Watertown NY.

Jim moved to Rhode Island in 1983 and received a computer programming certificate from Allied Technical Institute in North Providence, RI.

Jim's first programming job was part time at Holiday Products in Coventry, RI. Then he was hired full time at Jewelers Shipping Association in Cranston, RI, where he met his wife Lori. He also worked at Phillips Components in Smithfield, RI, and Aurora EDI in Harrisville, RI. Jim spent most of his career at Daly & Wolcott (Now Infor) in West Warwick, RI, which he retired as Director of Development in 2017. He missed programming and took a job at WAXIE Sanitary Supply in San Diego, CA.

Jim was an avid sports enthusiast and was a faithful fan of the 49ers, the Pirates, Golden State Warriors, Syracuse basketball, and NY Rangers. He played baseball throughout his youth and transitioned to slow pitch softball as an adult. He played in leagues in Pawtucket, Lincoln, Burrillville, and Coventry in the position of pitcher.

Jim gave back to his community in many ways. He served as Player Agent for

the Scituate Foster Little League and coached many teams. He was a soccer coach for Scituate Youth Soccer Association and served on the board. He was the President of Scituate Girls Softball and helped to bring new life to the program. He also coached girls' softball. He was well respected as a coach. He gave his time to Hope Associates, first as the steward of Green Forest, and then served on the board as Treasurer until his illness. He taught CCD at Holy Apostles for the middle school grades, where he was a communicant. He also served as Eucharistic minister.

Jim leaves behind three children, daughter Tiffany Ryan and her husband Christopher, son Christopher Kirch, and daughter Allison Tanner and her husband Joseph. He was a loving papa to Brenna and Anthony Ryan. He also leaves behind three sisters and a brother, Michel Camidge and her husband David, Diane Joels and her husband Fred, Cathy Abrams and her husband Henry, Steven Kirch and many nieces and nephews. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Saturday July 22nd at 10:00 a.m. at Holy Apostles Church, Pippin Orchard Road, Cranston. Burial will be in St. Joseph Cemetery, West Greenwich. Calling hours Friday July 21st from 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. in the Winfield & Sons Funeral Home, 571 West Greenville Road, Scituate.

In lieu of flowers a donation can be made, in Jim's memory, to Hope Associates, PO Box 416, Hope, RI 02831. or Scituate Girls Softball, PO Box 164, North Scituate, RI 02857.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Cemetery

959 Nooseneck Hill Road
West Greenwich, RI 02817

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 21. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Winfield & Sons Funeral Home and Crematory
571 West Greenville Road (Route 116)
Scituate, RI 02857
(401) 647-5421

Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 22. 10:00 AM (ET)

Holy Apostles Church
800 Pippin Orchard Road
Cranston, RI 02921

Tribute Wall

ED

“ *Lori and family, i just saw this online . Rose and i were shocked and send our deepest condolences to your family on the loss of Jim.*

emilio dipaolo - July 25, 2023 at 09:56 AM

LK

Thank you Emilio and Rose

Lori Kirch - July 30, 2023 at 01:07 PM

CR

“ *I met Jim when he came to work for WAXIE he was always upbeat and fun to talk to. I hope this message finds Lori and the rest of Jim's family in the company of caring friends and loved ones during this immensely difficult time. I am writing to extend my deepest sympathies and heartfelt condolences to Lori and the rest of the family upon the passing of Jim.*

Clifford Robbins - July 19, 2023 at 04:54 PM

LK

Thank you Clifford

Lori Kirch - July 19, 2023 at 05:26 PM

TV

“ *I met Jim through Mark Wilton During OUR Softball days! We Played anytime we had the chance! jim was a great guy to be around, and my thoughts and prayers are sent to his family! Keep The Feild Ready JIM , TILL WE ALL CAN PLAY AGAIN! R.I.P.MY FRIEND!*

tony verne - July 19, 2023 at 02:18 PM

LK

Thank you Tony

Lori Kirch - July 19, 2023 at 05:28 PM

SG

“ *I met Jim through a mutual friend, Ron Rounds. We were involved in some fantasy sports leagues and we also used to play Walleyball at the Pawtucket YMCA. Jim was always one of the nicest guys you would ever want to meet. I can not imagine how loved and missed he is already by his family and closest friends. My heart and my prayers go out for all who are grieving his loss. I would just add that you were blessed to have him in your lives. Remember his kindness, peace, and love. God bless all of you.*

Steven R Gardiner - July 18, 2023 at 03:21 PM

LK

Thank you Steve

Lori Kirch - July 19, 2023 at 05:28 PM

JD

Lori and family, we extend our sincerest condolences to all of you. You have our deepest sympathy and unwavering support. Jim was a great husband, father, papa (grandfather) and friend to all who knew him. Jim will be missed by all and may he rest in peace. Wishing all of you peace, comfort, courage, and lots of love at this time of sorrow. Our heart goes out to all of you during this difficult time.

Jim & Sharon Dion

Jim & Sharon Dion - July 21, 2023 at 11:16 AM