



Jim Teague

February 5, 1954 - March 25, 2020

On March 25, 2020 Jim Teague passed away at his home of thirty years in Newport Oregon. Yes, it's been 17 months and we are finally able to celebrate his life. It happened quickly after a short bout with cancer. He passed in the arms of his sweetheart and partner Jani Albaugh.

James Melvin Teague was born in Raymond, Washington on February 5th 1954, but he was a Lincoln County's Son and a "Local's Local". He was known to many as the guy who always brought a smile and always had something nice to say. He prided himself on never saying anything bad about anyone.

His parents, Melvin and Mary were dairy farmers and landowners in Siletz, Oregon where he grew up, and graduated from Siletz High School. He went on to attend Mt. Hood Community College and Western Oregon University with plans to become a realtor. However, he returned to Lincoln County to work with his dad, who was also a carpenter, building and remodeling numerous homes in the area. That eventually led to Jim opening his own business, West Coast Finish & Construction in 1980. He preferred finish carpentry to construction and his motto was "The Icing on the Cake" His craftsmanship, honesty, fairness and attention to detail earned him the respect and praise of his many clients. He was also lauded by fellow contractors for his vast knowledge of woodworking and home building. One even speculated

that his hands and work are exhibited in literally hundreds of homes throughout Lincoln County.

Perhaps his son, Casey said it best. "My dad was known for a range of exemplary qualities that ranged from hardworking, considerate and kind businessman to "fun loving" weekend fisherman, chef, and botanist.

Jim loved fishing and took great pride in his greenhouse. He and Jani were avid antiquers, and enjoyed browsing the coastal shops for quirky treasures for their ongoing remodeling and redecorating projects.

Jim, who also answered to JT, is missed by many, but especially by his life partner Jani Albaugh, his daughter Carmen Eisenbarth and her two children, Parker and Lincoln and by his son Casey Teague, daughter in-law Emily and their two children Izzy and Carter James. Jim also held a special place in the hearts of Jani's family- Kelly Gutierrez-Rickard, her husband Kyle Rickard and their daughter Sequoia Chavez, as well as Sherry and John Rocha.

Although Jim resided in Newport for the last thirty years, he held onto his roots and love of Siletz. The family dairy farms are gone but Jim kept his precious hideaway property on the Siletz River in the family, where he camped and fished with his family and friends, and was the scene for summer parties and more than a couple of weddings.

Fittingly, his memorial service and Celebration of Life will be held there on Saturday August 28th at 1:00pm. We are planning a barbecue and potluck with lots of storytelling. All who knew Jim are invited. Please bring a dish to share (hamburgers and hotdogs provided), bring your own beverage and a chair. If you have a favorite picture of Jim we would love to see it on our Memory Board.

Please join us at 1680 Hamer Road which is at the very end.

Tribute Wall

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“ Knew Jim at Mt Hood Community college. He was a roommate to Ron Chase a Former Oregon College of education friend. Jim was an upbeat guy, friendly and outgoing. He had the best stereo in the complex and if it was the Doobie Brothers playing, it was Jim at the needle.(turntable) Memories have faded, but I will always have a little nuget of space for Jim.

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