

HONORING & CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

JAMES J. LORIMER











OCTOBER, 7 1926 - NOVEMBER 24, 2022



JIM'S WORDS OF WISDOM INSPIRED GREATNESS IN EVERYONE AND WILL CONTINUE TO ASPIRE US ALL TO LIVE LIFE TO ITS FULLEST POTENTIAL.

THANK YOU, JIM, FOR MAKING US ALL BETTER.

1920'S - IT WAS THE BEST OF TIMES; IT WAS THE WORST OF TIMES
1930'S - VARIETY IS THE SPICE OF LIFE

1940'S - IF YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU WANT TO GO, IT DOESN'T MATTER WHICH ROAD YOU TAKE
1950'S - YOU GET BACK IN DIRECT PROPORTION TO WHAT YOU PUT IN
1960'S - SET GOALS AND FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS
1970'S - HUMBLE IS BETTER
1980'S - ATTITUDE IS EVERYTHING
1990'S - I FIND THE HARDER I WORK, THE MORE LUCK I HAVE
2000'S - LIVE THE GOLDEN RULE
2010'S - KEEP YOUR ZEST FOR LIFE AND LOVE OF LEARNING
2020'S - THE SECRET TO ENIOYING LONG LIFE IS STAYING INTERESTED

JAMES JASPER LORIMER, AGE 96, OF WORTHINGTON OHIO ON THANKSGIVING DAY 2022 RESTED.

HE WAS BORN OCT. 7, 1926, IN BRISTOL, PA. TO FRANK DUFFIELD LORIMER AND MILDRED HARBISON LORIMER. RAISED IN MORRISVILLE, PA. HE WAS A MULTI-SPORT ATHLETE WHO ENTERED THE U.S. NAVY IN WORLD WAR II.

RETURNING TO ATTEND URSINUS COLLEGE IN COLLEGEVILLE, PA., HE LATER GRADUATED FROM THE DICKERSON SCHOOL OF LAW IN CARLISLE, PA. FOLLOWING LAW SCHOOL, HE BECAME A SPECIAL AGENT OF THE FBI, WORKING IN THE INTELLIGENCE FIELD. AFTER ASSIGNMENTS IN THREE DIFFERENT FBI FIELD OFFICES, HE MOVED TO THE PRIVATE SECTOR JOINING NATIONWIDE INSURANCE FOR A 37-YEAR CAREER IN NATIONWIDE'S OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT RELATIONS WHERE HE SERVED AS VICE PRESIDENT. HE ALSO FOUNDED NATIONWIDE'S CORPORATE FITNESS CENTER WHICH WAS THE FIRST SUCH LARGE CORPORATE FACILITY.

FOR 52 YEARS JIM'S CIVIC PURSUITS INCLUDED SERVING AS MAYOR, CITY COUNCILMAN AND VICE MAYOR OF WORTHINGTON, OHIO. AS KEYNOTE SPEAKER FOR WORTHINGTON AND MORRISVILLE BICENTENNIALS, OFFICIATING WEDDINGS AND COUNTLESS AWARD PRESENTATIONS TO WORTHINGTON STATE ATHLETIC CHAMPIONS, JIM EARNED THE REPUTATION AS POET LAUREATE.

HE WAS AN EARLY TITLE IX ADVOCATE FOR EQUAL RIGHTS FOR WOMEN'S SPORTS. DURING THE 1960S HE FOUNDED THE OHIO TRACK CLUB GIRLS TEAM THAT WON NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS AND HE SERVED AS SECRETARY AND CHAIRMAN OF THE U.S. OLYMPIC COMMITTEE FOR WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD. HE PRESENTED TWO NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS IN TRACK AND FIELD IN COLUMBUS AND MANAGED THE U.S. TEAM IN SEVERAL INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS.

IN 1967 HE CHAIRED THE WORLD WEIGHTLIFTING CHAMPIONSHIP IN COLUMBUS, WHICH WAS FOLLOWED BY PROMOTING MR. WORLD AND MR. OLYMPIA BODY-BUILDING CONTEST HERE. AT THE 1970 EVENT, HE INVITED AND LATER FORMED A SPORTS PROMOTION PARTNERSHIP WITH ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER. THEIR HANDSHAKE AGREEMENT LED TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE LARGEST MULTI-SPORT EVENT IN THE WORLD, THE ARNOLD SPORTS FESTIVAL, THAT IS NOW HELD ANNUALLY IN COLUMBUS AND HAS EXTENDED TO SPORTS FESTIVALS ON FIVE CONTINENTS.

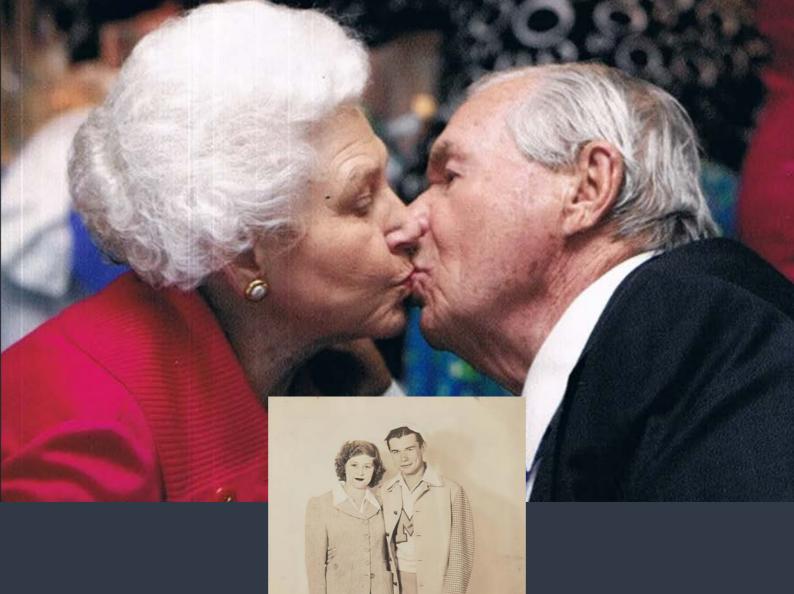
DURING THE 1970S, JIM BEGAN TEACHING ON BEHALF OF THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY'S CHARTERED PROPERTY AND CASUALTY UNDERWRITERS (CPCU) DEGREE – A LEADING PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION IN THE INSURANCE FIELD. HE CO-AUTHORED THE LEGAL TEXT IN THAT NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM. AT THE SAME TIME, HE SERVED AS AN ADJUNCT PROFESSOR AT CAPITAL LAW SCHOOL FOR ITS COURSE IN INSURANCE LAW.

JIM LORIMER WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HIS WIFE JEAN WHITTAKER LORIMER IN MAY 2021. JEAN WAS HIS HIGH SCHOOL SWEETHEART FROM MORRISVILLE, WHO WINKED AT HIM AT A HALLOWEEN PARTY TO BEGIN THEIR 80 YEARS TOGETHER. HE WAS THE FOOTBALL CAPTAIN AND SHE WAS HIS LIFELONG CHEER LEADER.

THEIR LOVE AND LIVES WERE BLESSED AND ENRICHED BY THEIR CHILDREN KATHY JANE NAGLE (PAUL), JAMES JEFFREY LORIMER (JEANNE) AND ROBERT CRAIG LORIMER (TAMMY), GRANDCHILDREN JASON LORIMER (CARRIE), KAREN NAGLE, JESSICA LORIMER, BOBBY NAGLE (LINDY) AND SIX GREAT GRANDCHILDREN – JAYDEN, JAKE, RUBY, ELLIE, HAZEL, AND KINSLEY.

JIM BELIEVED "YOU GET BACK FROM EVERY ASPECT OF LIFE IN DIRECT PROPORTION TO WHAT YOU PUT INTO IT."











A LOVE STORY FILLED WITH MEMORIES OF
GREAT ACCOMPLISHMENT, ADVENTURE, FAMILY, FRIENDS AND MOST OF ALL JOY
TOGETHER FOREVER AND EVER
GIRL BUNNY & BOY BUNNY



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