

James R. Recker II

October 5, 1968 - January 6, 2021

The world lost a brilliant mind with the passing of James R. Recker II of Indianapolis, formerly of Liberty Center, January 6th 2021 at Community North Hospital in Indianapolis. James was born in Lafayette Indiana to parents James R. Recker Sr. and Deanne E. Recker (Kurtz). James graduated from Park Tudor High School and went on to earn a BS from Ball State University with a major in political science and a JD from Indiana University (IU) School of Law. He spent part of his time at IU in the study abroad program in Dublin Ireland. While in Dublin James toured Europe and found and retained a particular fondness for the historic city of Amsterdam Holland. During his law career James practiced both criminal and civil law, successfully defending major felony cases and arguing before the Indiana Supreme Court. James was a voracious reader and prolific writer and had a deep knowledge on a wide range of subjects including; history, mythology, science, and especially politics. James was always keen on, and capable of engaging in a political discussion. James was skilled painter of miniatures which he paired with his life-long love of the role-playing adventure game Advanced Dungeons and Dragons (AD&D). James wrote extensively on the topic of AD&D, his magnum opus was a nearly 400 page treatise containing detailed campaign notes and house rules. James was preceded in death by his beloved mother Deanne, and will be dearly missed by all who knew him. James is survived by his father James R. Recker Sr. (Indianapolis). Siblings; Daniel Recker (Indianapolis) and Elizabeth Recker (Albuquerque, NM). Sibling in-laws; Mike Rankin

(Albuquerque), Amy Recker (Indianapolis). Nieces and nephews; Chase and Blake Recker (Indianapolis). Phineas Rankin, Zella Rankin, Holden Rankin, and Bronwyn Rankin (Albuquerque). And dear long-time friends; Lisa Dawson (Indianapolis), Lisa McHugh (Indianapolis), George Helmbock (Anthem, Arizona), Daniel Kelly (Covington, Kentucky), and Chad Anderson (Cincinnati, Ohio) Due to concerns over gatherings during the global pandemic a remembrance for close friends and family will be held at a later date. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send online condolences to the family at www.thomarich.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Missing you very much, Jimmy! A day doesn't go by when I don't think of you.* ”

Lisa Dawson - January 30, 2025 at 12:40 AM



“ *Miss you and thinking of you, angel.* ”

Susie Marie Dawson - October 05, 2022 at 03:22 PM



“ *James R. Recker II* ”

September 08, 2022 at 08:26 PM



“ *I worked with Jim very early in my career; a lifetime ago. He had a brilliant mind and I have carried not only his memory, but also everything I'd learned from him all of these years. The world lost a great man. My condolences to all of his family and friends. Rest well, Jim!* ”

Jenn Biela McGreehan - August 06, 2021 at 11:42 AM



“ *Susie Marie Dawson sent a virtual gift in memory of James R. Recker II* ”



Susie Marie Dawson - June 25, 2021 at 09:15 PM

SD

“ Susie Marie Dawson lit a candle in memory of James R. Recker II



Susie Marie Dawson - June 25, 2021 at 09:14 PM

DB

“ David Benedetto lit a candle in memory of James R. Recker II



David Benedetto - May 15, 2021 at 11:15 PM

SD

“ "What we once enjoyed and deeply loved we can never lose, for all that we love deeply becomes part of us." — Helen Keller

Susie Marie Dawson - April 01, 2021 at 08:12 PM



“ Thinking of and missing you, Jimmy.

Lisa Dawson - March 31, 2021 at 10:09 PM



“ Love you, Jimmy!



Lisa Dawson - February 20, 2021 at 08:34 PM



“ Thinking of you every day and missing like you like crazy



Lisa Dawson - February 19, 2021 at 05:06 PM



“ Bryan and I are going to Key West, and the resort looks like paradise. So, I will be closer to you! Miss you - Susie

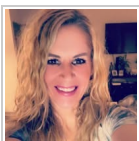
Susie Marie Dawson - February 17, 2021 at 09:54 PM



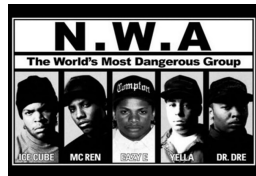
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daniel - February 17, 2021 at 09:30 AM



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Lisa Dawson - February 16, 2021 at 11:40 PM



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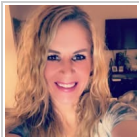
Lisa Dawson - February 16, 2021 at 10:04 PM



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Lisa Dawson - February 16, 2021 at 12:16 AM



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Lisa Dawson - February 15, 2021 at 07:08 PM

SD

“ *In James's honor, Meals on Wheels delivered today with his smile and spirit. Thanks to James from the elderly "shut-ins" on today's MOW route. James is always in my inner life, and this other-worldly unseen is dear to me.*

Susie Marie Dawson - February 11, 2021 at 08:38 PM



Thank you, Mom!

Lisa Dawson - February 15, 2021 at 07:34 PM



“ *I am lost without you.*



Lisa Dawson - February 11, 2021 at 07:35 PM



“ *1 file added to the album Songs Jimmy Liked*



Lisa Dawson - February 07, 2021 at 07:36 PM



“ *Missing you so much, Jimmy*



Lisa Dawson - February 07, 2021 at 02:15 AM



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Lisa Dawson - February 05, 2021 at 04:33 PM



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Lisa Dawson - February 05, 2021 at 01:13 PM



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Lisa Dawson - February 03, 2021 at 10:56 PM



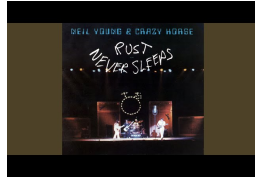
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Lisa Dawson - February 03, 2021 at 06:24 PM



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Lisa Dawson - January 31, 2021 at 07:16 PM



“ *I loved this.*



Lisa Dawson - January 29, 2021 at 11:11 PM



“ *Thinking of you today. I know how much you loved this picture of Cocoa and Beetle.*



Lisa Dawson - January 29, 2021 at 11:10 PM



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Lisa Dawson - January 29, 2021 at 11:05 PM



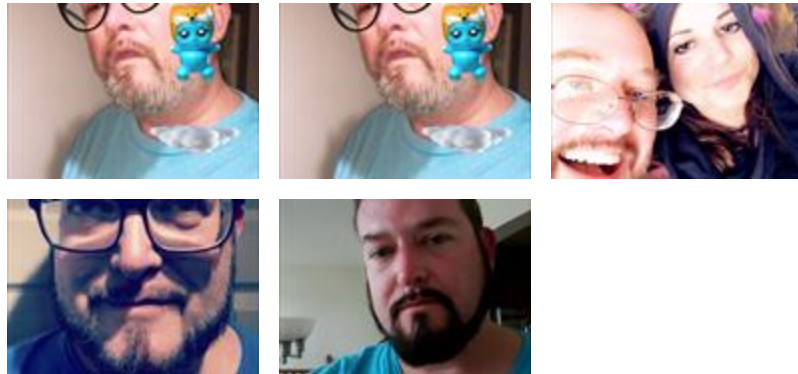
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Lisa Dawson - January 29, 2021 at 11:05 PM



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Lisa Dawson - January 29, 2021 at 11:02 PM

SD

“ Meals delivered in your honor to five shut-ins today - from you, James. You would like all of them. Also, I had a dream about you last week. I have not dreamed of you ever before. You were gliding through the air above ground with a big smile on your face. I was running behind you and couldn't keep up, and you disappeared from sight. My Mom and Dad never visited me, so this is a first. I never have had a dream like this but enjoyed the vision and sighting of you. I see you are enjoying yourself.



Susie Dawson - January 28, 2021 at 10:54 PM



Thank you for sharing this, Mom. Beautiful.

Lisa Dawson - January 30, 2021 at 07:34 PM

KA

“ I hope that you are the DM of an epic campaign somewhere out there in space time.



Karen Applegate - January 23, 2021 at 04:44 PM



“ I miss rocking out with you in the car, Jimmy! So many songs I hear remind me of you. I miss you more and more every day.



Lisa Dawson - January 20, 2021 at 07:24 PM

SD

“ *Blood donation in honor of James today and another Meals on Wheels route for some lonely souls - from James.*



Susie Dawson - January 20, 2021 at 05:16 PM

“ I remember years ago one visit back to Indy when I went by Jim's to see what he was up to. He arrived minutes after I did, and, as often was the case, a line of chaos swirling behind him like dust off a country road. Jim, the smell of gunpowder, and a dog - not his - jumped out of his car. Jim tossed me a bottle of whisky and started wrestling with the dog. The phone rang and Jim eventually answered, 'That definitely didn't happen, you're exaggerating,' he said, then hung up. He looked up at me, red face, crazy grin, and a dog snapping at his neck; we both laughed like bastards.

I never got the full story of that day, but it involved Jim firing a corrections officer's service revolver through a ceiling - not his - then absconding with a dog and a bottle of whiskey. The owners, mutual friends, showed up a bit later to reclaim the dog. The whiskey by then, was gone.

And incredibly, nobody was mad at Jim, not much anyway.

That's who he was - the charming rogue, who could always win you back with a sheepish grin. Well, sometimes that's who he was. Other times he was incredibly thoughtful, kind, funny, and compassionate. He was a great legal writer and possessed an ocean deep knowledge of the law - letter, and - more meaningfully - spirit. And most importantly, he cared; for his clients, for the work, and the honor of being a priest in his holy temple, the courtroom. A paradox, the scoundrel with a heart of gold, Coyote the trickster, however you term him, he was a man of wild contradictions - contradictions that were ultimately impossible for one man - even Jim - to contain.

I was friends with Jim for over two thirds of my life, through the gauntlet of the teenager years, past raucous young adulthood, and

into quieter middle age. We would go without talking for months, even a year sometimes, but when we did speak we immediately fell back into the language we'd created over the decades. Conan tales and US history, Black Sabbath lyrics and Holy Scripture, Dungeons & Dragons and Socrates, all churned, then rewoven, repurposed into a codex of shared history, coping mechanisms, and inside jokes.

He was one of the few people I knew who truly understood that the impeachment of Bill Clinton represented a major escalation, a harbinger, of ultra right extremism in America. And so it hurt not being able to talk with him last week. To laugh sardonically, take grim pride in how accurate our predictions were, and mourn our democracy. But I can still hear that language - the language of our friendship - in my head. And I can still hear him. And I believe I always will.

I can't begin to explain why Jim did some of the things that he did, but I can say that his demons, whatever their genesis, robbed us all of a great and singular mind and a friend like no other. The dust has settled. Goodbye old pal.

Clay Cobb - January 18, 2021 at 07:12 AM

JD

Your memories paint Jimmy so beautifully. We are all a mixed palette of lovely bold colors and shadows, yet Jimmy stands out through the words you so effortlessly share. I do hope you write for the world to see! And yes, Clinton was the first sacrifice.
Jane Dawson

Jane Dawson - February 01, 2021 at 10:08 PM

JD

“ I am deeply sorry for your family's grievous loss of a dear son and brother. I was blessed to have met Jimmy. I so enjoyed his company with my niece Lisa Dawson when they visited with our family in Virginia. Jimmy's droll wit and repartee made for good times in person as well as texts and speaker phone calls with Lisa. We shall all miss him so very much! Family and friends are in our thoughts and prayers.



Jane Dawson - January 16, 2021 at 02:05 PM

CH

“ In reading the other postings, it seems that many people firstly said they will miss James' sense of humor. What a gift from God that he made his many friends laugh and be happy. I have always been grateful that Lisa Dawson had you for a best friend. We will always have James in our hearts.



Charlotte - January 16, 2021 at 02:00 AM

CM

“ I knew Jimmy through my daughter, Lisa. Jimmy was always welcome in our home and my grandson was very fond of him and admired him because he was intelligent, they talked about sports, and education. I would like for the family to know that I have Jimmy on prayer lists around the world, praying for Jimmy. My daughter and her best friend, Lisa Dawson, are completely devastated and heart broken over his passing. It has been tough on everyone. I give my deepest condolences to Jimmy's family and friends.

Christine McHugh - January 15, 2021 at 08:02 PM

DT

“ I'm really upset to hear about Jimmy. Jimmy was good friends with my mother, Lisa McHugh. We used to go out to eat with Jimmy and get wings. He was one of my mom's true friends that I enjoyed growing up around. He helped me with my homework, my essays, and I learned so much from him. I will definitely miss him during my college years. He told me about his college days and it made me excited about going to college. I wish he was here so I could tell him all about my crazy times. I'll see you on the other side, Jimmy.

Daylen Taylor - January 15, 2021 at 07:53 PM



“ Deeply saddened to receive this news. Jim was a friend and a true original! I will always treasure the times we shared. The world has lost a bright light. Rest in Power, Brother.

Diamond Dave Engle - January 14, 2021 at 11:58 PM



“ I saw Cocoa today and you should've seen her. She was on her side and playing with something with all four paws. Upon further investigation, I could see it was gray, so I assumed it was a little cat mouse toy. So I reached out to touch it and was shocked to find that it was hard. It was a rock - not a piece of gravel but a big rock! LOL

I've been wanting to tell you all day. My mom commented that that could mean you are my rock!

Lisa Dawson - January 14, 2021 at 09:50 PM

SD

“ Delivered Meals on Wheels today from James to the recipients with many thanks.

Susie Dawson - January 14, 2021 at 02:25 PM

SD

“ Susie Dawson lit a candle in memory of James R. Recker II



Susie Dawson - January 14, 2021 at 02:24 PM

PP

“ There are not enough good words out there to describe my dearest friend Jimbo..[thats what I called him 🤪] He was truly a gentleman. Cordial ,attentive , a very good listener. He was funny , generous & gentle. He was so considerate..manyyy times he just loved taking me to grocery -picking out all his special ingredients & spices & cooking me meals filled with love & laughter. He has such a AWESOMENESS SOUL💕💕💕



Penny D Proctor - January 14, 2021 at 11:30 AM

JS

“ I didn't know Jimmy that long but we became good friends quickly. He was smart,funny and sensitive. You will be missed my friend. I'll see you on the other side.

James Steadmon - January 13, 2021 at 07:39 PM

JS

“ Jimmy was a genuine friend with a big personality and infectious laugh. I didn't have the privilege of knowing him as long as I would have liked to but when we met we were instant friends. You will be missed dearly Jimmy. My heart bleeds for his family and close friends. 💜


Jennifer Stella - January 13, 2021 at 07:00 PM



“ My heart is broken. To know Lisa Dawson, you knew James, and from the first time I met James, I felt like I had known him forever. James, Lisa and I had many deep conversations . To me, James was like the wizard behind the curtain. Anytime I had a question about politics, world history, pop culture, linguistics -- literally any topic you can think of -- James was a seasoned expert and I would always pick his brain for more info. He was a plethora of knowledge. I could tap into his brain day or night to ask him anywhere from the most complex to the simplest of questions. His generosity, kindness, patience with me . It was a gift that I will treasure always. James had a unique way of breaking down the information so that I personally could understand it. James' treasure trove and knowledge will continue to live on through me and the many other lives he touched.


*His generosity, kindness, and patience with me are a gift that I will treasure always. James will continue to live on through me and the many other lives you touched,
My deepest condolences to Lisa Dawson and family.*

Heather Chapman - January 13, 2021 at 06:23 PM

 Susan
Kelley

“ Jim was brilliant, charismatic, creative, caring, and funny. At his core he was a sensitive soul with a passion for justice. He could be crazy at times; he was often magical - I swear I saw his eyes actually twinkle on many occasions. We were a couple for several years in the nineties. He was incredibly persuasive - he nearly convinced me to try chewing tobacco the first night we really talked. He was adventurous - on our first date we did shots of tequila and climbed a building on campus. My favorite memories of Jim are debating politics over pints of beers in our favorite bars. He undoubtedly instilled in me a love of politics. I also learned how to tell fabricated stories with a straight face from Jim. He could be so convincing! He told my family that M&Ms were originally invented by NASA as a non-messy snack food to provide short bursts of energy to astronauts during missions. They believed him and were shocked when I eventually told them he made it up. When I told my sister of Jim's passing, she said she would not have graduated high school if not for Jim - he wrote most of her term papers. I regret not keeping in touch with him over the years and am devastated that he's gone. I'm grateful he had his family and such amazing close friends - my deepest condolences to you. May you Rest In Peace, Jim.

Susan Kelley - January 13, 2021 at 05:49 PM

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Susan Kelley - January 13, 2021 at 05:36 PM

HM

“ Please accept my sincere condolences on the loss of Jim. I had the good fortune of meeting Jim in high school after moving to Indy and was immediately drawn to his personality. Jim is at the center of my memories and good times during these years. When he was at Ball State and I at another school, he would send me the funniest letters. My roommates and friends would request to read them when I received a new one. We ended up posting all of them on our dorm wall for ease of access. So many memories to unpack.

Hank McKay - January 13, 2021 at 05:03 PM



“ *I haven't been able to sleep well the last few nights and last night not at all. You know how I start sensing "presences" that aren't there when I'm that tired. Last night it was your presence that I sensed. It was actually kind of nice and comforting even though I knew it wasn't real. I miss you so much. Sometimes I think for a split second that you're just confined and will be back soon. I LOVE YOU!*

Lisa Dawson - January 13, 2021 at 03:00 PM

LM

“ Jimmy, the man I am missing the most right now! I met Jimmy back in 2002 through Alfonso Ayala. I needed a job at the time and was already in the legal field when Jimmy hired me as his paralegal. I worked with him on several cases for about a year or two. Jimmy was so passionate about the law and I was lucky enough to be able to witness Jimmy in action and win several court trials. Jimmy was the best boss and I learned so much from him, and we have had a bond ever since. He would always give me the most insane job references and I was able to work for some awesome companies and attorneys all thanks to him.

Jimmy knew EVERYTHING about me, and I mean the good, the bad and the ugly! Jimmy made me feel beautiful on the days I felt ugly! Jimmy and I always encouraged each other through our dark times as we watched each other struggle and would uplift each another the best way we could! Jimmy was like the best big brother a girl could ever have. No matter what crazy idea I wanted to pursue to try and make money – everything from starting a makeup line to dog breeding.

Jimmy would always encourage me when all others would let me down! Jimmy was so incredibly smart and for him to often tell me I was smart was the best complement I have ever gotten, and I will always cherish his kind words. Jimmy helped me in more ways than I can remember and always watched out for me my entire life! He helped me get my bachelor's degree because I only had my associate degree by explaining schoolwork to me in a way I understood.

Jimmy loved my kids and was proud of Daylen and his football. I remember when Daylen was little, we all went swimming and Jimmy tossing Daylen in the air in the pool and Daylen and Jimmy were both smiling and laughing and had such a great time! Whenever I needed parenting advice, he always helped me.

I started to learn the stock market back in March and was good at it

and Jimmy was impressed and wanted me to teach him how to day trade. I was so proud of Jimmy because he was finally into something that I could teach him for once! I am so saddened by his accident because we were to meet on Christmas Day to get him set up on some trading platforms and we were going to start day trading the following Monday.

Jimmy was so good with animals and my two yorkees loved it when Jimmy would come over because he would bring them treats! When my female yorkee, Lilly, was a puppy, she was intent on getting all up in Jimmy's face and mouth. Jimmy loved Lilly and when Jimmy was in the hospital for some heart problems, I would bring her to the hospital to comfort him and lift his spirits up.

I am deeply saddened because I can't call him and tell him about my days, my struggles in my life or to check in with him. I know in my heart that Jimmy is at peace now and he will continue to watch over me and my children.

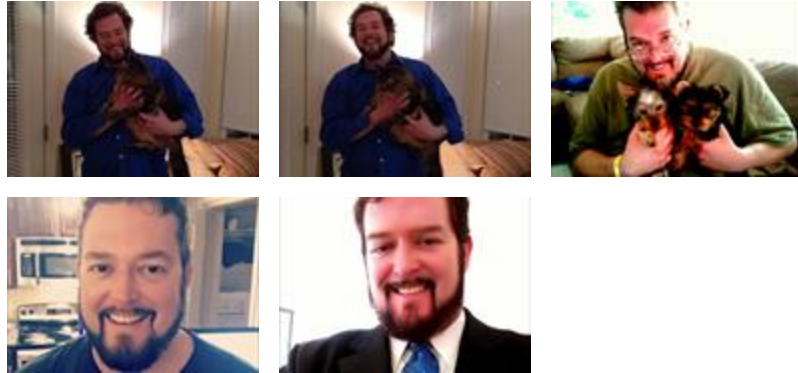
*"May the choir of angels,
Come to greet you.
May they speed you to paradise.
May the Lord enfold you
In his mercy,
May you find eternal life"*

I Love you Jimmy and I promise to watch over Dawson for you ❤️
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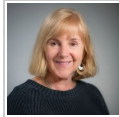
Lisa McHugh - January 13, 2021 at 02:54 PM



“ 7 files added to the album Jimmy pics



Lisa Dawson - January 13, 2021 at 11:11 AM



From darling to handsome.

Susie Dawson - January 13, 2021 at 10:21 PM



He was such an animal lover

Lisa Dawson - January 15, 2021 at 06:18 PM



“ *James was a wonderful human. He had lovely humor and always knew how to light up a room. My thoughts and prayers go out to his loved during this time.*

hannah cohrs - January 12, 2021 at 10:18 PM

GH

“ I am at a loss off words because I know that nothing I can say will make this tragedy any better. I am still in a state of disbelief and shock my best friend of two decades is gone. In many ways, Jimmy was my mentor. I can honestly say that, without Jimmy’s support, I would not be experiencing the success I have achieved as a teacher.



Jimmy really had a remarkable way with people and everyone loved him, including my beloved dog. I will never forget the time he fed a 16 oz T-bone steak to my dog from the grill! My dog loved Jimmy, and not just for the food. There are some people who make life worthwhile even on the darkest of days, and Jimmy was undoubtedly one of those people

George Helmbock - January 12, 2021 at 09:07 PM



“ *I was never ready for you to leave!*

*Missing You
I think about you always
I think about you still...
You have never been forgotten
And you never will.
I hold you close within my heart...
And there you will remain.
To walk me throughout my life...
Until we meet again.*



You left this world too soon. I miss you everyday. I wish I could have gotten one last hug from you. You have left my life but you will never leave my heart.

Rest in peace, Jimmy!

Lisa Dawson - January 12, 2021 at 08:22 PM



“ *Jim took me to Van Halen front row seats when we were in the 8th grade. It was one of my highlights. Godspeed.*

Pilar French - January 12, 2021 at 07:54 PM



“ *I will never forget Loky's stunt the woods. Need I say more? We were in STICHES.*



Lisa Dawson - January 12, 2021 at 07:42 PM

MD

“ *Meg Dawson lit a candle in memory of James R. Recker II*



Meg Dawson - January 12, 2021 at 07:28 PM



“ I don't even know where to start. You were my soulmate of 25 years and such a huge part of my life. I cannot even tell you how much I enjoyed all our time together, especially in Liberty Center and at Spirit Lake: going to Heyerley's for donuts, watching movies with the “love yas.” Remember holding Molly (the tuxedo cat) down so that she could not escape and blow our cover at Spirit Lake? My god, the outrageous times we had! These are times I will always cherish.


I have always loved how you could finish my ideas and thoughts for me and me for you. We shared such similar thoughts and always knew what the other one was thinking. I have never had another friend with whom I could communicate without even talking. You were my father, brother, son, and best friend all in one.

Jimmy, we were bonded together so closely, and this will continue forever. You were like family to me and to my family. Those who knew you will never forget you – you have touched everyone lucky enough to have crossed paths with you in life. You were brilliant, endearing, and charming, and will not be forgotten by those whose lives you touched.

You will always be in my thoughts. Your time on this earth was far too short, but Jimmy, you truly left the world a better place. Beetle, Cocoa (the Sheriff of Amberwood), and Kitten also love you very much.

My deepest condolences go out to Jimmy's family.

Lisa Dawson - January 12, 2021 at 04:18 PM


Michael
Michael

“ Jimmy was a great man. He was a better friend. He got me through the hardest time in my life. I miss Big Jim. Now and until I am with him and his mother in heaven. Rest in peace brother



Michael Michael - January 12, 2021 at 02:27 PM

HB

“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of James. I knew James through my friend Lisa Dawson. He was always so kind the few times I had conversations with him. Even though I did not know him well it was very apparent how intelligent he was. He will be truly missed by many. His family and friends are in my thoughts.

Haley Bohannon - January 12, 2021 at 09:37 AM

MD

“ Jimmy's humor and ability to make people smile and laugh will be forever missed. Love you, Jimmy!

Meg Dawson - January 11, 2021 at 08:05 PM

MD

“ Meg Dawson purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of James R. Recker II.



Meg Dawson - January 11, 2021 at 07:58 PM

SD

“ *Meals on Wheels (MOW) donation in memory of James was made. Bryan and I did our first MOW deliveries today, and those and all future deliveries will be and on behalf of and from James.*



Susan Dawson - January 11, 2021 at 06:54 PM

SD

“ *I have known James for 15 years through my wife, Susie, and her daughter, Lisa Dawson. James was a likable and very funny guy. Sad to hear of his passing. He will be sorely missed. Bryan Spear*

Susan Dawson - January 11, 2021 at 06:47 PM

SD

“ *Susan Dawson lit a candle in memory of James R. Recker II*



Susan Dawson - January 11, 2021 at 06:42 PM

SD

“ *My heart aches for all of James's family, and there is a deep wound in my heart for his Dad. I am so sorry, but I am so glad I was honored to know our Jimmy. He enriched our lives, and I am grateful for his friendship and his caring and love for my daughter, Lisa.*

Susan Dawson - January 11, 2021 at 06:42 PM

SD

“ My daughter, Lisa Dawson, has always loved James (Jimmy). I enjoyed talking with him about issues he cared about. He was engaging and personable and always so sweet. As all have noted, he was brilliant and unique - only one Jimmy. He came over to visit Lisa, and I was fortunate enough to know him for 25 years. I recall the last time I waved goodbye to him, as he was loading some boxes in to Lisa's car in the parking lot at my condo. He was so happy and smiled and waved back. He was always there for her. He was/is deeply loved by his circle of family and friends. He will always be in my heart so lives on. James, you are loved forever.

Susan Dawson - January 11, 2021 at 06:24 PM

SD

“ Susan Dawson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James R. Recker II.



Susan Dawson - January 11, 2021 at 06:11 PM

SD

“ My daughter, Lisa Dawson, has loved James for as long as I can remember. He has always been a part of our lives, including grandchildren's. It was always fun to see James. I enjoyed talking to him and listening to his thoughts on issues. He helped Lisa so much and was always there for her. I have a permanent empty spot in my heart, as I always expected James to be in our lives. I remember the last time I saw him at our condo. He and Lisa came to get some deliveries that came to my condo for her. He was putting them in her car for her, and that was my last wave goodbye. I cherish all the memories I have of James, as he often visited Lisa at my house. He was always personable and a joy to have around. He had such a unique, and as all have noted, a brilliant mind. He was/is loved so deeply by his circle of family and friends. James was and will be loved forever. Thank you for the memories, James.



Susie Dawson - January 11, 2021 at 06:01 PM