



Arthur James Drake, Sr. "Jimmy"

September 24, 1938 - July 1, 2016

DRAKE, Arthur James, Sr., known to most as Jimmy, passed in his sleep on July 1, 2016. He is preceded in death by his parents, Milton and Annie Mae Drake, his two sisters, Edith and Patricia, and daughter, Pamela. He is survived by his brothers, Milton Drake (Joan) and Alton Drake (Jo Ann), and their children; his wife, Janet Drake, and their children Arthur James Drake, Jr. (Sharon), and Patricia Rawlings (Edward); and his eight loving grandchildren. Jimmy was born September 24, 1938, at his home, in Melrose, Florida. He attended Orlando High school, and later worked for Publix Supermarkets for 39 years, where he met the love of his life, Janet. They were married for 56 years, where they raised their family in the Central Florida area. After retirement, he enjoyed an active lifestyle of frequent cruising, gardening, and woodworking. Jimmy was well-known to have the greenest of thumbs and could make anything grow. He was the epitome of courage and strength and showed us how to overcome all of life's obstacles. In 2004 he became a double amputee, but it never slowed him down. Jimmy touched the lives of all he met, and will be greatly missed.

The visitation will be held on July 5, 2016 at A Community Funeral Home on Michigan Street from 4-7pm; the funeral service will be held Wednesday, July 6, 2016 at 11am, at Trinity Lutheran Downtown.

"When this old world is blown assunder, And all the stars fall from the sky,

Remember someone really loves you. We'll live forever, you and I." -Johnny Cash, Live Forever.

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

A Community Funeral Home & Sunset Cremations
910 W. Michigan Street
Orlando, FL 32805
(407) 841-4424
<https://www.acommunityfuneralhome.com/>

Funeral Service

JUL 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Trinity Lutheran Church
123 E. Livingston Street
Orlando, FL 32801

Tribute Wall

JO

“ Jimmy always seemed larger than life to me. Always laughing and telling me jokes and when I got to be 18 gave me a beer. He just was one hell of a great guy. I have great memories of him when ever I was around him. Safe travels jimmy

John - July 07, 2016 at 08:53 PM

BM

“ To the Drake Family,

Our hearts go out to you in your time of sorrow.

With love and friendship,

Beverly Morgan and Family

Beverly Morgan - July 06, 2016 at 11:27 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Arthur James Drake, Sr. "Jimmy".



July 05, 2016 at 12:47 PM

CB

“ I joined the family just a few years after Jimmy. He was like a big brother for so many years. He loved my wife, his sister-in-law Gail, and she loved him so very much. She passed a few months ago and I know she was there with open arms to be one of the first to greet him. I miss them both terribly, but they are now happy together, just like old times.
Charlie Baxley.

Charles C Baxley - July 05, 2016 at 07:24 AM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Arthur James Drake, Sr. "Jimmy".



July 05, 2016 at 06:34 AM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Arthur James Drake, Sr. "Jimmy".



July 04, 2016 at 11:35 AM

EL

“ My deepest condolences to the Drake family, may you find comfort in prayer and the beautiful words of Isaiah 25:8 where God promises us that He will soon eliminate all death and suffering.

Elda - July 01, 2016 at 07:38 PM

AL

“ Allen lit a candle in memory of Arthur James Drake, Sr. "Jimmy" ”



allen - July 01, 2016 at 05:32 PM

BL

“ Jimmy walked me down the aisle when I first married in place of my Father. Friendliness poured from him and silliness too. He once wore a pink tu-tu in a parade for our Mom! You will be missed. Dear Jimmy, may you rest in peace. Love, Barbara & David ”

Barbara Lang - July 01, 2016 at 03:01 PM