



James S. Albanese

January 16, 1975 - August 28, 2017

On Monday August 28, 2017, Jim Albanese passed away at his home in Lorton, Virginia from the ravages of multiple myeloma. He is survived by his wife, Andrea and his children Christopher, Jacob, Gianna, Evelyn and Lucy, as well as his parents, Jim and Mary Albanese, his sisters Pamela Fitzgibbons and husband John, Christine Kremer and husband Isaac, and his brother Michael Albanese. His in-laws are Jim and Joanne King and brother-in-law Aaron and wife Sarah King. He loved ten nieces, nephews and Godchildren.

Jim was born on January 16, 1975 in Washington, DC. He graduated from Robert E. Lee High School in Springfield, Virginia where he was Student Body President. He attended The University of Virginia where he majored in Civil Engineering and graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Engineering.

He began his professional career with Clark Construction immediately upon graduation and was proud of what they built. He transitioned to a Clark subsidiary, Metro Earthworks where his team won local awards as well as the 2011 American Society of Civil Engineers, National Excellence in Construction award for their work on the Coast Guard Headquarters building. He was also very pleased about his professional contributions to the National Museum of African American History and Culture on the Mall in Washington, DC.

Also right after graduation, Jim became a member of Youth Apostles, an

organization of Catholic men dedicated to bringing youth into a loving, dynamic relationship with Christ. In 2001 as a Youth Apostle and with support from Clark Construction, he spent a year in the Dominican Republic at the mission church in Banica. In 2016 he made a lifetime commitment to Youth Apostles.

Jim loved nothing more than playing with his kids. He came home from work everyday with his family in mind. Optimistic Jim fought his cancer tirelessly. With grace and courage he was coaching his son's lacrosse team to a Championship, even while his legs were giving out. If he was your friend, you had a great one and he had many. He loved sports and UVA. You may think his favorite team is the Redskins, but he's now an early pick for the eternal team he's always aspired to, the saints. As Andrea has said, Jim did not lose his battle with cancer: the miracle was that Jim won his ultimate battle to join our Lord in heaven.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to any of the following charities important to the Albanese family:

- Youth Apostles (www.youthapostles.org)
- Multiple Myeloma Research Foundation (www.themmrf.org)
- Sisters of Life (www.sistersoflife.org)
- Inheritance of Hope (www.inheritanceofhope.org) - please note here that donations are to be in Jim's name

To make a financial donation to education for the Albanese children or to make a donation directly to the Albanese family, please contact Brett Steele, brettsteele@comcast.net

Tribute Wall



“ *James S. Albanese*

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



“ *"My Deepest Condolences go out to the Albanese family, I hope you find comfort in these words, "He will swallow up death forever,.....And will wipe away the tears from all faces. Isaiah 25:8. We want to trust in Jehovah God's, promise of the resurrection hope. jw.org*

November 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ *Carol and I send our deepest sympathies to the family. Jim was born the same year as our youngest. We fondly remember our summer beach vacations on Long Beach Island with our dear friends Jim and Mary and the multiple families born out of our college Fraternity. Though we hadn't seen Jim in a while we knew of his struggles and always had him in our thoughts and prayers. May his memory sustain you in this time of great sadness.*

September 18, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Andrea and kids,
Please know of my deep sadness as you mourn the loss of such a great husband and father. I can't find the right words to say because everything I think of sounds so lame and understated in my attempt to console your grieving hearts. Please know you are being prayed for across the country and this lady in Minnesota is sending hugs to each of you minute by minute. Andrea, there is no right or wrong way to do this --- and although it might feel like you are all alone in the universe, I assure you that you are not alone. You are a strong woman, but it's ok to lean into those who love you. You are in my thoughts and prayers.
Supporting you from afar,
Gina

September 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Andrea and family,
We are so very sorry for the loss of your dear husband and father. Eternal Rest grant unto him O'Lord and let Perpetual Light shine upon him.
Keeping the whole family in prayer. 🙏❤️
Dan & Annie Plag
Peoria, IL

September 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Albanese family, my whole family is saddened by this terrible loss. Even in death he has created such wonderful things for many people. I got back in touch with my UVA classmate Allison Graviss at his funeral. Now I want to do what Jim did and get season tickets to UVA football. He was so involved in life and others. Seeing what must have been 1000 people at his funeral and 15 priests on the altar celebrating Jim's life and contributions to this world was so inspiring. Hearing how he always thought of others even while he was dying is just mind blowing. He touched so many people and through them he lives on. Jim and I went to HS and college together. He was in my Physics class at Lee HS. I remember him being so involved in everything and that continued well after he left college. I thought was involved! I feel like a slacker!! I shared with Jim how much I admired his dignity in handling his illness. He found so much strength through his faith and it helped me understand faith more. My mom kept me on the loop on Jim and I told myself that I want to live as well as I can in honor of a man who did that so well. When I told my brother Trey how many people were at his funeral, he said, "Of course! He was a good dude!" How lucky we got to know him at all. We love you all.

Marlene Hall (Donna Hall's daughter)

September 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ I did not know Jim directly, but I knew of him through two of my boys, Keith and Jonathan. He was very helpful to them. I know he will be watching over your family from heaven. My prayers and thoughts are with you. Annette Kohn

September 02, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Jim and Mary, We were deeply saddened to learn about your loss of Jim earlier this week. Our hearts go out to you and your family. Please know that you all are in our thoughts and prayers. We remember Jim well from those years at Lee. He was such a bright light there. It was wonderful to read how his heart for service continued throughout his life. We are very much thinking of you today and know that his service will be a celebration of a life well-lived and will give honor and glory to the Lord. We will continue to keep all of you in our prayers in the days ahead, especially Andrea and the children, but we have a mighty and faithful God, and we know He will see you through this sad and difficult time. May He comfort you with His loving presence, fill you with His peace, and strengthen you with His sustaining grace. With love and prayers, Tom and Susan Ulrich (David's Dad and Mom)

September 01, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Another one of the "good guys" that was taken away from us way too early. While Jim and I lost touch during college, we always had Soccer and faith as a common bond. Jim - a good guy, better man, and amazing father...Gary Riddle

August 31, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ We are so very sorry for your loss. We know James's father through the MVH3 running group and we are so sad to learn of this. Our hearts and prayers are with you. And I believe I speak for our whole group when I say we are with you and support you, and are wishing you every comfort and much peace in this sad time. Julie and Shane Sedell (2HJ and family)

August 31, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ James S. Albanese

Sentiments of Serenity Spray - August 31, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Jim & I were so shocked & saddened to learn of Jim's death, now new life in Heaven with Jesus. Our daughter Kathleen & Jim were classmates & friends. She passed away on Sept.23, 2012 of a pulmonary embolism 9 days after her 4th child Micah was born. It is so hard to lose a child, mate & parent so young. God's ways & timing are not ours to question.

Love & many prayers. Jim & Anne LoJacono

August 31, 2017 at 12:00 AM



“ Mary, I am so very sorry for your loss. My deepest condolences,
Con amor y lagrimas,
Leslie Rodriguez

August 31, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum - August 31, 2017 at 12:00 AM

PB

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Peaceful White Lilies Basket - August 31, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SR

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Serene Retreat - August 31, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BB

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Beautiful in Blue - August 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MG

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Medium Dish Garden - August 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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Lily and Rose Tribute Spray - August 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

SW

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Serenity Wreath - August 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

BB

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Beautiful in Blue - August 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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