



James Waide Jr

March 31, 1953 - April 29, 2025

James H. Waide Jr, of Memphis, Tennessee, peacefully passed away at home surrounded by the love of his family on April 29, 2025, at the age of 72.

Born in Wichita Falls, Texas, on March 31, 1953, James spent much of his early childhood in Panama, where his father served as a USO band leader in the US Army. The family later moved to Memphis, where James was recruited to play high school football and made many lifelong friendships.

In 1980, James met the love of his life, Suzanne. They bonded immediately, married, and spent nearly 44 years together as best friends and partners.

Together, they built a beautiful family, creating a life full of love, laughter, and memories.

James had a remarkable work ethic and a true gift for creating with his hands. After years of dedication, he founded his own company, Alumaglass, which he successfully led for over 26 years. His work can be seen in many buildings around Memphis.

Outside of work, James was devoted to his family. Whether he was enjoying time with Suzanne, their beloved pup Baxter, their children, or their grandchildren, his family always came first. James also had a passion for golf, where he spent countless hours enjoying the game and the camaraderie it brought.

James' infectious laugh, warm smile, and unwavering optimism will be remembered by all who knew him. Whether it was sharing a joke, providing support, or simply being there for someone, James made a lasting impression

on everyone he encountered.

In 2021, James was diagnosed with Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis, but he faced the diagnosis with the same strength and determination that he brought to every challenge in life. After receiving a lung transplant in 2023, he fought courageously for every precious moment with his family and friends.

James is survived by his loving wife, Suzanne; daughter, Tiki Adkisson; son, Travis Redmon; son-in-law Tom Adkisson, and his four beloved grandchildren: Josephine Adkisson, Paxton Adkisson, Ethan Redmon, and Emory Redmon. He also leaves behind a wide circle of family and friends who were blessed to know him.

James' legacy lives on in the countless memories he created and the impact he made on those around him. Though his presence will be deeply missed, his love and laughter will continue to resonate in the hearts of those who loved him.

Fly high, James. You are loved, you are missed, and you will never be forgotten.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Tribute Wall



“ We're forever thankful for all of the amazing memories! ❤️



Tiki Adkisson - May 17, 2025 at 06:40 PM

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“ *What an honor to have known James. Always easy going and fun. We shared many holidays with him and Suzanne. Always a true gentleman and devoted to family. His journey these last two years has shown us how incredibly brave he was. So special.*

Barbara Tiscia - May 15, 2025 at 11:04 AM

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“ 146 files added to the album James Waide to know him is to love him



Travis Redmon - May 14, 2025 at 10:45 PM



These pictures are all so wonderful and give a glimpse of how incredibly amazing he was 💔

Tiki Adkisson - May 15, 2025 at 01:06 PM

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“ James was such a kind, sweet, loving soul. Always went through life with a huge smile on his sweet face. My love and prayers for God to hold you all in his healing hands during this difficult time. He will be missed by all who love him and knew him. With love and deepest sympathy. Lynda

Lynda Garrett - May 14, 2025 at 09:19 PM