



James Gooden

November 21, 1933 - September 9, 2015

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On the early morning of September 9, 2015, James (Jim) Gooden passed away at Select Specialty Hospital in Oklahoma City. Jim was 81 years old.

Jim was born November 21, 1933 in Conway, AR. He was the youngest son of Dr. Orville and Settie Gooden. Jim graduated from Conway High School in 1951, Hendrix College in 1954 and was a proud University of Arkansas Razorback, where he earned his MBA in 1960. Jim also achieved his Eagle Scout.

Jim served in the Army from 1954 to 1957, when he was stationed much of his time in Germany. He met and married the love of his life, Jane Edwards, when he was working for Guy James Construction in Sylacauga, Alabama in 1963. They have one son, John, of Oklahoma City. After a career in accounting and office management, Jim retired in Edmond in 1994 from Allied Construction. Jim and Jane were long-time members of New Covenant Methodist Church in Edmond.

Jim is preceded in death by his parents and his brother Sam Gooden (Ruth) of

Iowa. He is survived by his wife Jane, son John (Stephany), brother, Richard Gooden (Chris), many nieces and nephews and honorary brother, Charlie Odom. Also survived by brother-in-law and sisters-in-law with whom he was very close.

Services will be held at New Covenant United Methodist Church in Edmond on Saturday September 12 at 11:00 am with burial in VA National Cemetery in Montevallo, AL on Tuesday, September 15, 2015 at 11:00 AM. There will be a second visitation held at Bolton Funeral Home, Monday, September 14, 2015 from 6 pm to 8 pm.

Special thanks go to all of the doctors, nurses and caregivers at Baptist Hospital and Select Specialty Hospital.

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